

NOTRE DAME 2006 REVIEW

Jen Buczkowski

concluded her stellar career in 2006 as one of the top midfielders in Notre Dame women's soccer history. The three-time All-American was among the final-15 Hermann Trophy candidates as both a junior and senior and played in more career games (103) than any previous Irish women's soccer player.



**2006 Notre Dame
Women's Soccer
Honors and Awards**

M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Player of the Year
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

Hermann Trophy Player of Year
Final-15 Candidates
Kerri Hanks (So., F)
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)

Hermann Trophy Player of Year
Midseason Watch List (33)
Kerri Hanks (So., F)
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Carrie Dew (So., D)
Jill Krivacek (Sr., M)

NSCAA All-Americans
First Team
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

Second Team
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)

Soccer America All-Americans
First Team
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

Soccer Buzz All-Americans
First Team
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

Third Team
Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F/M)

NSCAA All-Great Lakes Region
First Team
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Carrie Dew (So., D)
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

Second Team
Brittany Bock (So., M/F)
Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F/M)
Jill Krivacek (Sr., M)

NSCAA Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year
Randy Waldrum

Soccer Buzz Freshman of the Year
Michele Weissenhofer (F)

Soccer America Freshman All-Americans
First Team
Michele Weissenhofer (F)

Soccer Buzz Freshman All-Americans
First Team
Michele Weissenhofer (F)

Third Team
Amanda Clark (M/D)

BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year
Kerri Hanks (So., F)

BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year
Carrie Dew (So., D)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Year
Michele Weissenhofer (F)

NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team
Brittany Bock (So., M/F)
Kerri Hanks (So., F)
Jill Krivacek (Sr., M)

ANOTHER NUMBER-ONE RANKING – The Notre Dame women's soccer team was ranked number one for most of the 2006 season, marking the sixth different season since 1994 that the Irish have held the nation's top ranking (ND is the only team to be number one in each of the past three seasons, 2004-06). Notre Dame advanced to the 2006 NCAA College Cup final weekend for the eighth time in the program's history (second-most by any team since 1994). The Irish used a 2-1 semifinal win over 5th-ranked Florida State to make the program's sixth appearance in the title game (also second-most in NCAA history). The final game – won 2-1 by North Carolina – featured teams that shared the top spot in the final regular-season NSCAA poll and it marked the first time both teams entered the title game with 25 or more wins (ND 25-0-1, UNC 26-1-0). Notre Dame tied the team record for wins while becoming the second women's soccer program to reach 25 wins in multiple seasons (also 2004), with only five teams ever winning more than 25.

NATION'S ELITE – Sophomore forward **Kerri Hanks** became the youngest player by class year – male or female – ever to win the M.A.C. Hermann Trophy, as the nation's top player according to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). Hanks is the program's third Hermann recipient (only North Carolina has more) and she was one of five nominees for an ESPN "ESPY," in the category of best college female athlete. With her name already attached to 47 Notre Dame records, Hanks (22G-22A) joined former UNC great Mia Hamm as the only players ever to finish a season as the national leader in both goals and assists. Only two previous Division-I players have totaled more points over their first two seasons than Hanks (137; 50G-37A), who had points in each of the final 13 games (tying the ND record for single-season point streak). Hanks is the first Irish player ever to have a hat trick (vs. Oakland) and a three-assist game (vs. Penn State) during NCAA Tournament play – and she ended 2006 with career scoring averages (2.64 points and 0.96 goals/gm) that are well on to pace to set two more Notre Dame records.

ALL-AMERICA LEADERS – The NSCAA named Hanks a first team All-American while senior midfielder **Jen Buczkowski** earned All-America honors for the third time (second team). Sophomore center back **Carrie Dew** joined Hanks and Buczkowski as NSCAA first team all-Great Lakes Region selections, with sophomore M/F **Brittany Bock**, senior midfielder **Jill Krivacek** and junior F/M **Amanda Cinalli** each named second team all-region. Buczkowski was one of the final-15 candidates for the Hermann Trophy while Notre Dame had the greatest representation (4) on the midseason 33-player Hermann Trophy watch list (also Dew and Krivacek).

BIG EAST'S BEST – The Notre Dame women continued one of the most dominant runs by a BIG EAST team in any sport, finishing atop the National Division standings (10-0-1) and then claiming the program's ninth BIG EAST Tournament title in 12 years. The postseason title included wins over St. John's (3-0), #25 Marquette (2-0) and #20 Rutgers (4-2), with Hanks and senior center back **Kim Lorenzen** (Sr./D/Naperville, Ill.) named tournament MVPs. The Irish have won 10 BIG EAST regular-season titles and own both a 24-game unbeaten streak versus BIG EAST teams (23-0-1) and a 12-year, 72-game home unbeaten streak against the BIG EAST (71-0-1). Hanks was named BIG EAST offensive player of the year and



Sophomore forward Kerri Hanks (left) and senior midfielder Jen Buczkowski (right) were one of the nation's elite offensive tandems in 2006, with each among the final-15 candidates for the M.A.C. Hermann Trophy player of the year. Hanks went on to become the youngest recipient (from either gender) of the Hermann while the Irish turned in a national runner-up season (25-1-1) that included spending most of the year as the nation's top-ranked team.

Dew was the top defensive player while freshman forward **Michele Weissenhofer** took home BIG EAST rookie of the year. Buczkowski joined those players as first team all-BIG EAST picks, with Bock and Cinalli adding second-team honors, senior left back **Christie Shaner** named third team (her fourth career all-BIG EAST honor) and Krivacek honorable mention.

NEAR-PERFECT REGULAR SEASON ... – A scoreless tie at Connecticut in the 15th game was all that prevented Notre Dame from entering the postseason with a perfect record, but the Irish still ended the regular season unbeaten for the fifth time in the program's history (17-0-1). The first two weeks were a tough test versus four teams that all had played in the 2005 NAAs. Hanks scored the earliest goal ever in a Notre Dame season opener (1:19, in the 9-0 win over Iowa State) but the Irish then had to play the next day at Mississippi, overcoming an early Rebels goal and nearly 100-degree heat to secure the 2-1 win.

One week later, Notre Dame survived a pair of tough tests as the host team at the Inn at Saint Mary's Classic. A pair of flip-throws assisted on the goals versus 19th-ranked USC (2-0) while the Irish had to battle from behind against Santa Clara (3-1), in a rare matchup of teams ranked number one in different national polls. Krivacek had a memorable tying goal in that game while junior goalkeeper **Lauren Karas** came up with a career-high nine saves and Cinalli (2G-1A) earned national player-of-the-week honors for her clutch plays versus the Broncos.

Notre Dame had a similar 3-1 comeback versus 6th-ranked West Virginia (goals by Weissenhofer, Hanks and Cinalli) and later won a 4-2 game at 9th-ranked Villanova to preserve the unbeaten record. A

makeup game at Cincinnati resulted in the Irish closing the season with three road games (all in different cities) in a span of just five days. The 3-0 win over the Bearcats was dampened by the season-ending knee injury suffered by Dew.

... AND NEAR-PERFECT POSTSEASON

With freshman **Haley Ford** filling in admirably at Dew's center back spot, the Irish won the BIG EAST Tournament and then opened the NAAs with wins over Oakland (7-1), Wisconsin-Milwaukee (1-0) and 16th-ranked Colorado (3-0) before shutting out 8th-ranked Penn State in the quarterfinals, followed by the games with FSU and UNC. Hanks (vs. Oakland) and Weissenhofer (vs. PSU) joined a select group of Irish players who have posted hat tricks in the NAAs, with Hanks adding the unique distinction of also having a three-assist game (vs. PSU). The NCAA semifinal was a different story, as freshman midfielder **Courtney Rosen** and Krivacek were the unlikely goalscoring heroes in that hard-fought win that represented the team's 16th straight game without a deficit.

SCHOLARLY STANDOUT – Ashley Jones

(Jr./D/Westlake Village, Calif.) was named a first team *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-American, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America. Jones (3.96 cumulative GPA; accounting major) is the seventh Notre Dame women's soccer player (10 selections) ever named first team Academic All-America. Notre Dame's 18 total Academic All-America honors are six more than any other women's soccer program.

DANDY DEBUT

Flip throw-in specialist Weissenhofer was tabbed by *Soccer America* as national freshman of the year and finished behind only Hanks among the nation's leaders in points (53) and assists (17). Weissenhofer set the Notre Dame record for game-winning goals (4) in one postseason and became the third Notre Dame freshman with three-plus goals in an NCAA Tournament game (3, vs. Penn State).

AWARDS SWEEP

The women's soccer team became the first varsity program ever to produce recipients of Notre Dame's Byron Kanaley Award, Francis Patrick O'Connor Award and Chris Zorich Award in the same year. Lorenzen was one of five student-athletes to receive the 2007 Kanaley Award – presented to those most exemplary as students and leaders – while Cinalli was the 2007 female recipient of the O'Connor Award, which recognizes traits such as team spirit and inspiration. **Claire Gallerano** (Sr./M/Dallas, Texas) was one of four to receive the Zorich Award, in recognition of her wide-reaching community service work. The women's soccer team also received the second annual Trophy Award, which recognizes a Notre Dame varsity team for its community service excellence.

COACHING EXCELLENCE – Notre Dame head coach **Randy Waldrum** in 2006 was named NSCAA Great Lakes Region coach of the year for the third time in four years, giving him the most regional coach-of-the-year honors (for men's or women's D-I soccer) in that span while pushing his career total to seven regional honors. Waldrum now has taken three different Notre Dame teams to the title game (1999, 2004 and '06; also 2000 semifinalist). Only six D-I women's soccer coaches have guided more teams to the NCAA semifinals while only two have taken more teams to the title game than Waldrum, who also owns the fourth-best career win percentage in Division I women's soccer history (.773/273-74-18; third among active coaches). He has directed Notre Dame to the most wins (72-5-2; .924) of any women's soccer program over the past three seasons (2004-06).

CLASSY SENIORS – Notre Dame's eight-member senior class finished its career with a 92-8-3 record, second-best in the nation in that 2003-06 span and the most wins ever by an ND class. The 2006 seniors went 53-2-1 at Alumni Field and helped fashion the active 32-game home winning streak and 41-game home unbeaten streak that both rank third in NCAA history. Buczkowski set the team record for career games played (103; 4th in NCAA history) and joined Shaner (100) for the most combined games (203) ever by Notre Dame classmates. The seniors owned an average shot margin of 23-5 in their career and were not outshot in 102 straight games, prior to the 2006 NCAA final.

STAT SUCCESS – Notre Dame ranked sixth in the nation with 3.2 goals/gm and was the only 2006 team with four double-digit goalscorers: Hanks (22G-22A), Weissenhofer (18G-17A), Bock (12G-7A) and Cinalli (11G-4A). The Irish led the nation in scoring margin (+74/85-11) and had 28 more goals than their opponents combined shots on goal (57; only 2.11/gm, an ND record). Notre Dame's 0.40 goals-against average ranked third nationally and was just shy of the team record (0.37) while the Irish set a team record with their nation-leading 19 shutouts (7th NCAA history). Notre Dame finished with several noteworthy streaks still intact, namely: 247 consecutive wins when claiming a 2-0 lead, 35 straight wins when scoring first, and a 20-game overtime unbeaten streak (14-0-6, since '99).

FANS FLOCK – Notre Dame ranked fourth among D-I women's soccer programs in average home attendance (1,901), led by nearly 12,000 for the final four regular-season games. Top crowds were on hand versus West Virginia (3,056), Seton Hall (3,168) and Rutgers (3,003). Notre Dame's only previous home games with attendance numbers above 3,000 came in 1997, as 3,300 was announced for each game of the Adidas Classic (due to four-game tournament packs) – meaning the three 2006 games technically are tops in Alumni Field history.



Women's soccer became the first varsity program ever to produce recipients of the Notre Dame's Byron Kanaley, Francis Patrick O'Connor and Chris Zorich awards in the same year while the team as a whole was presented with the Trophy Award, which annual recognizes one varsity team for its community service excellence.

All-BIG EAST Conference

First Team

Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Carrie Dew (So., D)
Kerri Hanks (So., F)
Michele Weissenhofer (Fr., F)

Second Team

Brittany Bock (So., M/F)
Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F/M)

Third Team

Christie Shaner (Sr., D)

Honorable Mention

Jill Krivacek (Sr., M)

BIG EAST Tournament Offensive MVP

Kerri Hanks (So., F)

BIG EAST Tournament Defensive MVP

Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D)

CoSIDA Academic All-American

First Team

Ashley Jones (Jr., D)

CoSIDA Academic All-District V

First Team

Ashley Jones (Jr., D)

Second Team

Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Christie Shaner (Sr., D)

NSCAA Scholar All-Americans

First Team

Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D)
Christie Shaner (Sr., D)

Second Team

Ashley Jones (Jr., D)

Soccer America National Player of the Week

Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F; 9/4)
Kerri Hanks (So., F; 10/2)
Michele Weissenhofer (Fr., F; 9/25)

Soccer America National Team of the Week

Jill Krivacek (Sr., M; 9/4)
Ashley Jones (Jr., D; 9/11)
Carrie Dew (So., D; 9/18)
Kerri Hanks (So., F; 10/30)

BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week

Michele Weissenhofer (Fr., F; 9/25)
Kerri Hanks (So., F; 10/2)

BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week

Jill Krivacek (Sr., M; 9/4)
Ashley Jones (Jr., D; 9/11)
Carrie Dew (So., D; 9/18)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Week

Michele Weissenhofer (F; 8/21, 9/11)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D; 8/28, 9/25, 10/2)
Lauren Karas (Jr., G; 9/4)
Christie Shaner (Sr., D; 9/4)
Carrie Dew (So., D; 9/25, 10/16)
Kerri Hanks (So., F; 10/16)

Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament

Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F) – offensive MVP
Jill Krivacek (Sr., M) – defensive MVP
Lauren Karas (Jr.) – goalkeeper MVP
Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)
Michele Weissenhofer (Fr., F)

ND Athletics Kanaley Leadership Award

Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D)

ND Athletics O'Connor Inspiration Award

Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F/M)

ND Athletics Zorich Community Service Award

Claire Gallerano (Sr., M)

Team MVP

Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)

Rockne Student-Athlete Award

Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D)

Notre Dame Rookie of the Year

Michele Weissenhofer (So., F)

Player	GP/GS (Min.)	G	A	Pts	Shots/SOG	GWG-GWA-GWP	YC	FG	Career Stats			
									G	A	Pts	GWG
2 Kerri Hanks (So., F)	27/27 (2,076)	22	22	66	127/61	6-9-21	4	5	50	37	137	12
11 Michele Weissenhofer (Fr., F)	27/23 (1,558)	18	17	53	93/46	5-6-16	1	4	18	17	53	5
10 Brittany Bock (So., M/F)	22/19 (1,597)	12	7	31	84/42	6-2-14	3	6	24	16	64	6
5 Amanda Cinalli (Jr., F/M)	27/24 (1,883)	11	4	26	60/27	1-1-3	1	1	31	26	88	9
24 Jill Krivacek (Sr., M)	27/24 (1,979)	5	6	16	29/11	2-3-7	0	1	10	15	35	5
9 Jen Buczkowski (Sr., M)	27/26 (2,135)	1	13	15	36/14	0-3-3	2	0	20	37	77	6
17 Susan Pinnick (Jr., F/M)	26/3 (875)	2	6	10	37/17	0-1-1	0	0	9	9	27	2
12 Ashley Jones (Jr., D)	27/25 (1,929)	2	5	9	8/4	0-2-2	1	0	4	10	18	0
14 Courtney Rosen (Fr., M)	20/5 (821)	2	4	8	38/7	1-0-2	2	1	2	4	8	0
15 Lizzie Reed (Sr., F)	18/0 (309)	2	3	7	15/4	0-0-0	0	0	7	9	23	0
23 Molly Iarocci (Sr., F)	14/0 (194)	2	2	6	10/5	0-0-0	0	0	3	4	10	0
19 Carrie Dew (So., D)	14/12 (1,114)	2	1	5	8/4	2-0-4	2	2	5	1	11	3
21 Claire Gallerano (Sr., M)	13/1 (258)	1	1	3	3/2	0-0-0	0	0	1	1	3	0
7 Amanda Clark (Fr., M/D)	27/14 (1,396)	1	0	2	9/4	1-0-2	2	1	1	0	2	0
18 Christie Shaner (Sr., D)	25/23 (2,007)	0	1	1	20/6	0-0-0	2	0	3	4	10	0
8 Haley Ford (Fr., D)	27/14 (1,648)	0	1	1	3/0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	1	0
4 Kim Lorenzen (Sr., D)	26/26 (2,096)	0	1	1	2/1	0-0-0	1	0	3	4	10	1
20 Becca Mendoza (So., M)	18/4 (380)	0	1	1	1/0	0-1-1	0	0	1	1	3	0
26 Ashley Galovic (Fr., D)	7/0 (141)	0	0	0	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22 Rachel VanderGenutgen (Fr., D)	6/0 (102)	0	0	0	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13 Kelsey Lysander (Fr., G)	8/2 (280)	0	0	0	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Lauren Karas (Jr., G)	26/25 (2,170)	0	0	0	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	27	85	95	265	583/257	25-28-78	23	21				
Opponents	27	11	9	31	160/57	1-2-4	32	4				

Corner Kicks: Notre Dame 156, Opp. 70

Fouls: Notre Dame 399, Opp. 319

Offside: Notre Dame 68, Opp. 13

Hat Tricks: Hanks 2, Weissenhofer

Overtime Goals: none

Penalty Kicks: Hanks 1-for-1

Average Home Attendance: 1,901 (4th in nation)

Goalkeeper	GP/GS	Min.	GA	GAA	SV	Pct.	ShO	W-L-T	Career Stats						
									Min.	GA	GAA	SV	Pct.	ShO	W-L-T
13 Kelsey Lysander	8/2	280:35	1	0.32	4	.800	1/5	1-0-0	280:35	1	0.32	4	.800	1/5	1-0-0
6 Lauren Karas	26/25	2,169:25	10	0.41	41	.804	13/5	24-1-1	3,440:46	21	0.55	71	.772	17/16	36-2-1
Total	27	2,450:00	11	0.40	46	.807	19	25-1-1							
Opponents	27	2,450:00	85	3.12	172	.669	1	1-25-1							

Shutouts indicate solo/shared

Italics indicate players not returning in 2007

	Score by Periods				
	1	2	OT	OT	Total
Notre Dame	28	57	0	0	85
Opponents	4	7	0	0	11



Notre Dame's challenging start to the 2006 season included week-two tests at the ND Inn at Saint Mary's Classic versus 19th-ranked USC (2-0) and fellow number-one-ranked Santa Clara (3-1) – with the Irish heroes in those key wins including five all-tournament picks (from left): senior midfielders Jen Buczkowski and Jill Krivacek (tournament defensive MVP), junior Lauren Karas (goalkeeper MVP), junior forward Amanda Cinalli (offensive MVP) and freshman forward Michele Weissenhofer.

2006 University of Notre Dame Women's Soccer

Records: 25-1-1 (Home: 13-0-0, Away: 9-0-1, Neutral: 3-1-0)

BIG EAST: 10-0-1/Great Lakes Region: 10-0-0

Date	NSCAA Rank		Result	Score	Shots	Shots	Corners	Fouls	Offside	Attendance
	ND/Opp	Opponent			ND/Opp	On Goal	ND/Opp	ND/Opp	ND/Opp	
Aug. 26	5/-	Iowa State	W	9-0	26/4	15/2	9/1	12/7	2/0	821
Aug. 27	5/-	at Mississippi	W	2-1	16/7	6/3	11/2	19/18	1/0	1,421
Sept. 1	1/-	USC (1)	W	2-0	23/2	8/0	11/6	12/16	4/1	2,073
Sept. 3	1/2	Santa Clara (1)	W	3-1	21/14	10/10	2/5	20/15	1/0	2,609
Sept. 8	1/-	at TCU	W	2-0	19/4	7/0	11/3	8/5	2/0	2,053
Sept. 10	1/-	at SMU	W	3-0	15/5	10/3	6/2	23/13	2/1	1,010
Sept. 15	1/-	at DePaul (2)	W	5-0	31/2	15/1	7/1	9/14	6/0	547
Sept. 17	1/-	at Michigan	W	2-0	22/7	4/3	4/3	17/11	0/2	851
Sept. 24	1/-	Louisville (2)	W	2-0	16/4	10/0	2/1	12/7	0/2	1,389
Sept. 29	1/6	West Virginia (2)	W	3-1	25/7	8/2	3/3	14/13	5/0	3,056
Oct. 1	1/-	Pittsburgh (2)	W	5-0	31/1	12/1	8/0	13/6	1/0	2,681
Oct. 6	1/-	Seton Hall (2)	W	5-0	27/1	11/1	5/0	11/11	4/2	3,168
Oct. 8	1/-	Rutgers (2)	W	2-0	31/3	10/0	7/2	10/10	0/0	3,003
Oct. 13	1/-	at Connecticut (2)	T	0-0	24/8	8/2	8/7	13/6	6/1	2,308
Oct. 15	1/-	at Providence (2)	W	5-0	21/4	15/0	7/0	15/12	5/0	417
Oct. 20	1/9	at Villanova (2)	W	4-2	17/9	10/2	5/4	12/13	0/0	673
Oct. 22	1/-	at Georgetown (2)	W	1-0	14/3	6/1	0/5	12/15	4/0	506
Oct. 24	1/-	at Cincinnati (2)	W	3-0	26/5	13/2	7/1	20/11	1/0	265
Oct. 29	1/-	St. John's (3)	W	3-0	29/10	11/4	7/0	14/10	2/0	845
Nov. 3	1/-	vs. Marquette (4)	W	2-0	19/4	6/2	9/3	8/17	0/2	246
Nov. 5	1/-	vs. Rutgers (4)	W	4-2	19/9	9/4	3/1	24/16	2/0	253
Nov. 10	1/-	Oakland (5)	W	7-1	25/2	17/1	3/1	15/5	3/0	663
Nov. 12	1/-	Wis.-Milwaukee (5)	W	1-0	9/7	3/2	5/5	17/8	5/0	906
Nov. 17	1/14	Colorado (6)	W	3-0	26/5	9/0	3/3	11/8	1/0	1,837
Nov. 24	1/8	Penn State (7)	W	4-0	27/3	11/2	9/1	14/19	1/0	1,668
Dec. 1	1/5	vs. Florida State (8)	W	2-1	15/10	10/2	3/8	23/13	3/1	8,412
Dec. 3	1/1	vs. North Carolina (8)	L	1-2	9/20	3/7	1/2	21/20	6/1	8,349

(1) Notre Dame Classic
(5) NCAA 1st/2nd Round

(2) BIG EAST game
(6) NCAA 3rd Round

(3) BIG EAST quarterfinal
(7) NCAA quarterfinal

(4) BIG EAST semi & final (at Connecticut)
(8) NCAA semifinal and final (SAS Stadium/Cary, NC)



2006 Notre Dame Women's Soccer Team

(sitting, from left) Amber Lattner, Kerry Inglis, Claire Gallerano, Susan Pinnick, Becca Mendoza, Ashley Jones, Ashley Galovic and Micaela Alvarez;
(kneeling, from left) Kerri Hanks, Kim Lorenzen, Molly Iarocci, Michele Weissenhofer, Amanda Clark, Jen Buczkowski, Lizzie Reed, Brittany Bock, Rachel VanderGenutgen and Courtney Rosen;
(standing, from left) head coach Randy Waldrum, senior manager Thomas Draths, volunteer assistant coach Lindsey Jones, Mara Paz de Araujo, Jill Krivacek, Carrie Dew, Kelsey Lysander, Nikki Westfall, Lauren Karas, Christie Shaner, Haley Ford, Amanda Cinali, athletic trainer Kelly Fitzgerald, and assistant coaches Ben Waldrum and Dawn Greathouse.

2006 BIG EAST Awards

Offensive Player of the Year
Kerri Hanks, Notre Dame (So., F)

Defensive Player of the Year
Carrie Dew, Notre Dame (So.)

Midfielder of the Year
Meghan Schnur, Connecticut (Jr.)

Goalkeeper of the Year
Jillian Loyden, Villanova (Sr.)

Rookie of the Year
Michele Weissenhofer, ND (Fr., F)

Coach of the Year
Ian Stone, St. John's

Tournament MVPs
Offensive – Kerri Hanks
(So., F, Notre Dame)

Defensive – Kim Lorenzen
(Sr., D, Notre Dame)

All-BIG EAST First Team

G	Jillian Loyden*	Villanova	Sr.
D	Carrie Dew*	Notre Dame	So.
D	Kelly Eagan*	Villanova	Fr.
D	Brittany Taylor*	Connecticut	So.
M	Amanda Cicchini*	West Virginia	So.
M	Meghan Schnur*	Connecticut	Jr.
M	Jen Buczkowski	Notre Dame	Sr.
F	Jamie Craft	Louisville	Sr.
F	Deana Everett*	West Virginia	So.
F	Kerri Hanks* #	Notre Dame	So.
F	Michele Weissenhofer*	Notre Dame	Fr.

– unanimous selection

All-BIG EAST Second Team

G	Lana Bannerman	West Virginia	Sr.
D	Kim Brandao	Rutgers	Sr.
M	Greer Barnes*	West Virginia	So.
M	Gina DeMaio*	Rutgers	Fr.
M/F	Brittany Bock*	Notre Dame	So.
M	Monique Gjini*	Louisville	Jr.
M	Alicia Hall*	Rutgers	So.
F/M	Amanda Cinalli*	Notre Dame	Jr.
F	Liz Eng*	Connecticut	So.
F	Nikki Mabery*	Villanova	Jr.
F	Allison Mallams*	Marquette	Jr.

All-BIG EAST Third Team

D	Vaila Barsley*	St. John's	Fr.
D	Niki Cross*	Connecticut	Jr.
D	Michelle Pitzl	Marquette	Sr.
D	Christie Shaner	Notre Dame	Sr.
M	Lindsay Brauer*	South Florida	Jr.
M	Melissa Murowski*	Villanova	Jr.
M	Nicole Pasciolla*	St. John's	Fr.
M	Corina Sebesta	Pittsburgh	Sr.
M	Chrissy Skogan	Georgetown	Sr.
M	Annie Yi*	Connecticut	Fr.
F	Kim Bonilla*	West Virginia	Jr.

All-BIG EAST Honorable Mention

G	Joanna Haig*	Louisville	Jr.
M	Jill Krivacek	Notre Dame	Sr.

* – indicates 2007 returning players

2006 BIG EAST Women's Soccer Standings

<u>American Division</u>	<u>BIG EAST</u>					<u>OVERALL</u>				
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>PCT.</u>	
1. West Virginia	8	2	1	.773	25	14	4	3	.738	
2. Connecticut	7	3	1	.682	22	11	7	4	.591	
Marquette	7	3	1	.682	22	12	6	5	.630	
4. St. John's	5	3	3	.591	18	10	5	4	.632	
5. Pittsburgh	3	6	2	.364	11	8	8	3	.500	
6. Syracuse	3	7	1	.318	10	4	12	3	.289	
7. South Florida	3	8	0	.273	9	6	10	1	.382	
8. Providence	1	8	2	.182	5	4	8	5	.382	
<u>National Division</u>										
1. Notre Dame	10	0	1	.955	31	25	1	1	.955	
2. Rutgers	8	1	2	.818	26	16	3	4	.783	
3. Villanova	7	2	2	.727	23	16	4	2	.773	
4. Louisville	7	4	0	.636	21	13	4	3	.725	
5. Seton Hall	3	6	2	.364	11	7	10	2	.421	
6. Cincinnati	3	7	1	.318	10	7	9	2	.444	
7. Georgetown	2	7	2	.273	8	15	9	5	.395	
8. DePaul	0	10	1	.045	1	3	13	2	.222	



Left back Christie Shaner became the fourth Notre Dame women's soccer player ever to be named all-BIG EAST in each of her four seasons, joining defender Jen Grubb, midfielder Anne Makinen and defender/forward Candace Chapman in that distinction.

2006 BIG EAST Women's Soccer Tournament

First Round (home team listed second)

Seton Hall	0	
St. John's	2	
Pittsburgh	0	2 OT
Louisville	1	

Quarterfinals (home team listed second)

Villanova	0	
Marquette	1	
Louisville	0	
West Virginia (adv.)	0	(5-4 PKs)
Connecticut	0	
Rutgers (adv.)	0	(6-5 PKs)
St. John's	0	
Notre Dame	3	

Semifinals (at UConn's Morrone Stadium)

Marquette	0	
Notre Dame	2	
Rutgers	3	
West Virginia	2	

Final (at UConn's Morrone Stadium)

Rutgers	2	
Notre Dame	4	



Notre Dame's nine BIG EAST Tournament titles in women's soccer (all since 1995) represents one of the top dynasties in the history of the BIG EAST Conference (among all sports).

Game Recaps

GAME #1 - Aug. 26 Notre Dame 9, Iowa State 0

Notre Dame, Ind. - Kerri Hanks' pair of early strikes included the quickest goal in a season opener (1:19) during the 19-year history of Notre Dame women's soccer, sparking a six-goal blitz in a rare Saturday afternoon game at Alumni Field. Michele Weissenhofer added two goals and a pair of assists while four others found the net (plus an own goal that was forced by Weissenhofer).

Hanks did her damage despite being limited to 30 minutes of action and reached 30 career goals faster than any previous player (26 games) in Notre Dame history. The Irish improved to 17-2-0 in season openers, including seven straight game-one wins and a 27-3 combined scoring edge in the past three seasons. The win tied a team record by extending the program's home unbeaten streak to 29 games (28-0-1, spanning all of 2004-06).

Notre Dame entered the season without the services of sophomores Carrie Dew and Brittany Bock, who both were competing in Russia with Team USA at the Under-20 World Championship. Iowa State joined a long list of teams (3-41-1, since '93) that have failed to beat the Irish in their first visit to Alumni Field.

The Irish finished with a 26-4 edge in total shots (15-2 in shots on goal) while attempting nine of the game's 10 corner kicks. Notre Dame already owned a 4-0 lead just 18 minutes into the game, as Hanks sent home an entry pass from Becca Mendoza, Jill Krivacek flicked in a Weissenhofer corner kick, Hanks scored again after a nice combination sequence from Weissenhofer, and Krivacek, and Weissenhofer scored unassisted after turnover. Defensive midfielder Claire Gallerano came off the bench to score in the 30th minute (her first career points with the Irish).

The nine goals matched the third-most of the Randy Waldrum era (since '99) while only three previous openers in the program's history have seen the Irish score more goals. The six goalscorers were one shy of tying for the most in the Waldrum era. Notre Dame also extended its scoring streak to 37 games (second-longest in the ND record book) while the opening goal by Hanks was the third-quickest goal in any game of the Waldrum era and quickest since 2001. Weissenhofer became the sixth Irish player (third freshman) ever to factor into four-plus goals in a season opener.

Iowa State	0	0	-	0
#5 Notre Dame	6	3	-	9

ND 1. Kerri Hanks (Becca Mendoza) 1:19; **ND 2.** Jill Krivacek (Michele Weissenhofer) 8:33; **ND 3.** Hanks (Weissenhofer, Krivacek) 16:27; **ND 4.** Weissenhofer (-) 18:07; **ND 5.** Claire Gallerano (Susan Pinnick) 29:30; **ND 6.** Lizzie Reed (Courtney Rosen) 34:12; **ND 7.** Own Goal (56:07); **ND 8.** Weissenhofer (Molly Iarocci) 63:02; **ND 9.** Pinnick (-) 65:48

Shots: ISU 1-3 - 4, ND 18-8 - 26
Corner Kicks: ISU 1-0 - 1, ND 3-6 - 9
Saves: ISU 6 (Ann Gleason), ND 2 (Kelsey Lysander)
Fouls: ISU 7, ND 12
Offside: ISU 0, ND 2

GAME #2 - Aug. 27 Notre Dame 2, Mississippi 1

Oxford, Miss. - The road-weary Irish used their strong set-play offense to overcome a rare early deficit and emerge with the hard-fought victory on a 97-degree day. Notre Dame overcame the challenge of playing on back-to-back days for the first time in 10 years, with no previous team in the program's history ever having to face the task of playing back-to-back in venues that were more than a couple hundred miles apart.

The third-largest crowd in Ole Miss Soccer Stadium history (1,421) was on hand to see the first game between the teams, with the Irish improving to 76-25-2 in all-time series openers (43-5-0 since 1993). Ole Miss freshman Hannah Weatherly converted a breakaway in the third minute, marking the earliest deficit for the Irish since 2003.

Amanda Cinalli later scored the tying goal, on a header after a corner-kick scramble, while a finish from Kerri Hanks early in the second yielded the first flip throw-in assist for newcomer Michele Weissenhofer. The 40-yard throw found the head of Jill Krivacek, who sent a flick-



Jill Krivacek (back to camera) reacts to her game-tying goal in the showdown with Santa Clara, as she prepares to celebrate with (from left) Michele Weissenhofer, Amanda Cinalli and Jen Buczkowski

header in the direction of Hanks on the far side of the six-yard box.

Notre Dame held the hosts without a shot on goal over the final 53 minutes of game time while the team's dominant corner-kick edge (11-2) marked the 14th time in the Randy Waldrum era that the Irish have totaled 11-plus corners in a game.

#5 Notre Dame	1	1	-	2
#24 Mississippi	1	0	-	1

MISS 1. Hannah Weatherly (-) 2:30; **ND 1.** Amanda Cinalli (Haley Ford) 39:32; **ND 2.** Kerri Hanks (Jill Krivacek, Michele Weissenhofer) 52:00

Shots: ND 5-11 - 16, MISS 3-4 - 7
Corner Kicks: ND 6-5 - 11, MISS 0-2 - 2
Saves: ND 2 (Lauren Karas), MISS 4 (Ann Shelton)
Fouls: ND 19, MISS 18
Offside: ND 1, MISS 0
Yellow Cards: Elise Karlowicz (MISS), Christine Breaux (MISS), Hanks (ND), Haley Ford (ND), Amy Gill (MISS)

GAME #3 - Sept. 1 Notre Dame 2, USC 0

Notre Dame, Ind. - Michele Weissenhofer's flip throw-ins produced header goals from Amanda Clark and Amanda Cinalli, as the Irish opened play at the Inn at Saint Mary's Classic. With the win, Notre Dame set a team record for home unbeaten (30 games; 29-0-1), good for fourth-longest in the NCAA record book. The Irish held a 13-1 shot edge and 10-1 corner-kick margin in the first half but were unable to get the ball past goalkeeper Veronica Simonton. Notre Dame ultimately finished with a 23-2 edge in total shots and did not surrender a shot on goal.

The first goal saw Clark race into the box from her central defender spot and head the throw-in into the far-right sidenetting. The second goal did not come until the 83rd minute, with Cinalli connecting on a flying header for the key two-goal margin.

USC became the latest in a 14-year string of first-time visitors who have struggled to beat the Irish in their first visit to Alumni Field (3-41-1, dating back to 1993).

#19 USC	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	0	2	-	2

ND 1. Amanda Clark (Michele Weissenhofer) 58:14; **ND 2.** Amanda Cinalli (Weissenhofer) 82:29

Shots: USC 1-1 - 2, ND 13-10 - 23
Corner Kicks: USC 0-6 - 6, ND 10-1 - 11
Saves: USC 6 (Veronica Simonton), ND 0 (Lauren Karas)
Fouls: USC 16, ND 12
Offside: USC 1, ND 4
Yellow Cards: Stacey Strong (USC), Ashley Nick (USC), Jen Buczkowski (ND)

GAME #4 - Sept. 3 Notre Dame 3, Santa Clara 1

Notre Dame, Ind. - Jill Krivacek's leftfooted strike tied the game in the 64th minute and Amanda Cinalli scored twice to cap a three-goal spurt over nine minutes, in a rare matchup of teams ranked number one in different polls. Cinalli was named MVP of the ND Classic and Krivacek was defensive MVP while Lauren Karas took home the top goalkeeper award, after posting a career-best nine saves in the win over the Broncos.

Notre Dame sent a spirited crowd of 2,609 home happy while completing a tough two-week stretch with four games against 2005 NCAA Tournament teams. The Irish improved to 8-4 in the series with Santa Clara, including 7-3 in the eight-year Randy Waldrum era (the home team is 8-2-0 in the series, with two neutral-site games).

Meagan Snell's goal in the 13th minute gave Santa Clara the lead for 51 minutes of game time, just the fifth time since late 2002 (spanning 84 games) that the Irish have trailed for more than 45 minutes. Notre Dame used the halftime break to realign its mentality and personnel, with a shift of players paying big dividends: Christie Shaner from left back to central defense, Haley Ford inserted at left back, Krivacek to a high midfield spot, and Amanda Clark into Krivacek's defensive midfield role.

Ashley Jones started the game-tying sequence with a short pass from the flank to Cinalli, who made a quick turn, slanted towards the top of the box and drew the defense before sending a pass that led Krivacek into the left side. Krivacek made a quick touch with her left foot and gave the defense no time to recover, rocketing a leftfooted shot through the raised arms of the 'keeper and into the net (63:08).

The TV timeout followed three minutes later and the Irish struck again, shortly after the stoppage. Jones assisted on the goal with her rightside throw-in, with Michele Weissenhofer chasing the throw into the edge of the box and striking a leftfooted linedrive towards the far post. Cinalli was unmarked and quickly redirected her header into the open net for the 2-1 lead.

Cinalli provided that clinching goal three minutes after her earlier score. Kerri Hanks sent a pass down the center of the field that deflected to Cinalli, who slid away from the pursuit before smacking a leftfooted shot into the upper right corner of the net. Karas made one of her top saves of the game with 2:34 left to play, diving left and pushing the ball around the post to deny Kiki Bosio's low strike from the top of the box.

#1 Santa Clara	1	0	-	1
#1 Notre Dame	0	3	-	3

SCU 1. Meagan Snell (Brittany Klein, Kiki Bosio) 12:03; **ND 1.** Jill Krivacek (Amanda Cinalli) 63:08; **ND 2.** Cinalli (Michele Weissenhofer, Ashley Jones) 68:43; **ND 3.** Cinalli 72:03

Shots: SCU 6-8 - 14, ND 10-11 - 21
Corner Kicks: SCU 0-5 - 5, ND 1-1 - 2
Saves: SCU 7 (Meagan McCray), ND 9 (Lauren Karas)
Fouls: SCU 15, ND 20
Offside: SCU 0, ND 1
Yellow Card: Amanda Clark (ND)
Attendance: 2,609

GAME #5 - Sept. 8 Notre Dame 2, TCU 0

Fort Worth, Texas - Michele Weissenhofer assisted on second-half header goals by Jill Krivacek and Brittany Bock, as Notre Dame opened its swing through Texas with a victory. The Irish held TCU without a shot on goal and racked up 11 corner kicks. Krivacek's goal marked the fifth time in her career that the defensive midfielder has opened the scoring for the Irish in tense second-half situations (out of eight total career goals).

Weissenhofer set up the first score after collecting a turnover and playing a cross from the right endline. The 5-foot-11 Krivacek was positioned near the top of the six-yard box and easily pushed a standing header into the far-left side. Bock scored a similar goal, after a set-play service from Weissenhofer outside the right edge of the penalty area. Bock was ready at the far post, heading the ball back into the far-right sidenetting.

The crowd of 2,058 ranked as the second-biggest home attendance in the history of TCU women's soccer.

#1 Notre Dame	0	2	-	2
TCU	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Jill Krivacek (Michele Weissenhofer) 54:27; **ND 2.** Brittany Bock (Weissenhofer) 71:00

Shots: ND 7-12 - 19, TCU 0-4 - 4
Corner Kicks: ND 3-8 - 11, TCU 1-2 - 3
Saves: ND 0 (Kelsey Lysander, Lauren Karas), TCU 5 (Katy Buchanan)
Fouls: ND 8, TCU 5
Offside: ND 2, TCU 0

GAME #6 – Sept. 10 Notre Dame 3, SMU 0

Dallas, Texas – Kerri Hanks delivered in her home city, scoring twice in the second half to give the top-ranked Irish a 6-0-0 start for the ninth time in the program's history. Notre Dame continued its strong play in the second half, with a 14-0 scoring margin in the final 45 minutes helping to offset no halftime leads in the first six games.

Hanks ended a rare three-game goal drought, after a sequence set up by her own leftside corner kick. Christie Shaner headed the ball back to the left side and the onrushing Hanks sent a one-timer into the far-right sidenetting. Amanda Cinalli later drew a penalty kick that was converted by Hanks for a 2-0 lead in the 70th minute. Dallas-area natives Ashley Galovic and Claire Gallerano helped set up Molly Iarocci's first goal of the season, capping the scoring.

#1 Notre Dame	0	3	-	3
SMU	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Kerri Hanks (–) 48:38; **ND 2.** Hanks (PK) 69:06; **ND 3.** Molly Iarocci (Claire Gallerano) 87:49

Shots: ND 6-9 – 15, SMU 3-2 – 5
Corner Kicks: ND 2-4 – 6, SMU 1-1 – 2
Saves: ND 3 (L. Karas), SMU 7 (Ashley Gunther 5, team 2)
Fouls: ND 23, SMU 13
Offside: ND 2, SMU 1

GAME #7 – Sept. 15 Notre Dame 5, DePaul 0

Chicago – Brittany Bock (1G-2A) and Michele Weissenhofer (2G-1A) led a strong day from Notre Dame's six Chicago-area natives, as the Irish moved to 7-0-0 for the seventh time. Kerri Hanks and Lizzie Reed each chipped in a goal and assist for an Irish team that racked up a 31-2 edge in total shots and pushed its season scoring margin to 26-2.

The first goal featured the first assist of the season from Hanks, who played a left-flank free kick from 30 yards out. Bock then chested the ball down to herself and fired the ball into the net for her first goal of the college season. Weissenhofer later raced down the right flank and passed up an open shot, instead sending the ball across the top of the box as Hanks completed the classic sequence. The assist was the ninth of the season for Weissenhofer, who entered the week with a share of the national lead.

Notre Dame improved to 236-3-1 all-time when scoring three-plus goals (138-1-0 since mid-1995).

#1 Notre Dame	1	4	-	5
DePaul	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Brittany Bock (Kerri Hanks) 36:59; **ND 2.** Hanks (Michele Weissenhofer) 53:39; **ND 3.** Weissenhofer (Lizzie Reed) 69:07; **ND 4.** Weissenhofer (Bock) 73:52; **ND 5.** Lizzie Reed (Susan Pinnick, Bock) 75:57

Shots: ND 18-13 – 31, DP 1-1 – 2
Corner Kicks: ND 4-3 – 7, DP 1-0 – 1
Saves: ND 1 (Lauren Karas 0, Kelsey Lysander 1), DP 10 (Cara LaRocca)
Fouls: ND 9, DP 14
Offside: ND 6, DP 0
Yellow Cards: Alissa VonderHaar (DP), Lea Hill (DP)

GAME #8 – Sept. 17 Notre Dame 2, Michigan 0

Ann Arbor, Mich. – Michele Weissenhofer scored her fifth goal of 2006 and registered her nation-leading 10th assist, as top-ranked Notre Dame kept rolling with its fourth straight shutout. Amanda Cinalli also scored her fifth goal of the season for an Irish team that opened 8-0-0 for the seventh time in the program's history.

The Irish had several strong chances before scoring in the 57th minute. Cinalli then gave Notre Dame a commanding 20-0 edge in second-half scoring (28-2 overall). Moments earlier, Michigan nearly tied the game in the 79th minute – but Lauren Karas came off her line and dove left to thwart Judy Coffman's breakaway.

Weissenhofer set up her own goal after receiving a pass from Ashley Jones, outside the upper right corner of the



A spirited and overflow crowd was on hand at Alumni Field to witness Notre Dame's comeback win over 6th-ranked West Virginia.

box. Weissenhofer then took a return pass from Susan Pinnick, shifted the ball from her natural left foot to the right, slid around a defender and struck an 18-yard shot into the far-right sidenetting (56:19).

Notre Dame – one of only six unbeaten/untied teams in the nation – improved to 33-1-0 in its past 34 games when scoring first, as part of a 73-2-0 record in its past 75 when jumping out to a 1-0 cushion. The Irish held Michigan to three shots on goal, with only one coming inside the 18-yard box. The visitors gained the key 2-0 cushion in the 84th minute, on a sequence set up by Jen Buczkowski's rightside throw-in. Weissenhofer lifted a cross into the box and Cinalli caught up with the ball before one-timing a shot over the charging keeper.

#1 Notre Dame	0	1	-	1
Michigan	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Michele Weissenhofer (Susan Pinnick) 56:19; **ND 2.** Amanda Cinalli (Weissenhofer, Jen Buczkowski) 83:59

Shots: ND 6-16 – 22, MICH 2-5 – 7
Corner Kicks: ND 3-1 – 4, MICH 1-2 – 3
Saves: ND 3 (Lauren Karas), MICH 2 (Megan Tuura 0; Madison Gates 2 SV/2 GA)
Fouls: ND 17, MICH 11
Offside: ND 0, MICH 2
Yellow Cards: Brittany Bock (ND), Kerri Hanks (ND), Katelin Spencer (MI)

GAME #9 – Sept. 24 Notre Dame 2, Louisville 0

Notre Dame, Ind. – Defenders Carrie Dew and Ashley Jones both scored their first goals of the season while helping top-ranked Notre Dame register its fifth straight shutout. The Irish moved to 9-0-0 for the sixth time in the program's history and extended the team record for home unbeaten streak to 32 games (tied for third in the NCAA record book). The win was the 150th for Notre Dame in seven-plus seasons under the direction of head coach Randy Waldrum (150-23-5; 857).

Louisville packed its formation back in an attempt to slow down the Irish attack and the game remained scoreless until the 74th minute. The "Dew-Jones Report" then cashed in their chances, as the former southern California club teammates scored within a seven-minute stretch to produce the 2-0 final. Notre Dame had all 10 shots on goal in the game while pushing its unanswered goals total to 17 (during the 528-minute shutout streak).

Michele Weissenhofer picked up her nation-leading 11th assist, on a rightside free-kick from 30 yards out. Dew showed her tremendous athleticism by quickly turning on the batted cross and ripping a 16-yard shot into the far-right sidenetting (73:50). Jill Krivacek set up the second goal with an entry pass into the top of the box. Cinalli then turned into the box, battled through a hard tackle and directed the ball to the left side of the box as Jones placed her one-timer into the far-right side.

Louisville	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	0	2	-	2

ND 1. Carrie Dew (Michele Weissenhofer) 73:50; **ND 2.** Ashley Jones (Amanda Cinalli, Jill Krivacek) 81:20

Shots: LOU 3-1 – 4, ND 7-9 – 16
Corner Kicks: LOU 1-0 – 1, ND 1-1 – 2
Saves: LOU 8 (Joanna Haig), ND 0 (Lauren Karas)
Fouls: LOU 7, ND 12
Offside: LOU 0, ND 2

GAME #10 – Sept. 29 Notre Dame 3, West Virginia 1

Notre Dame, Ind. – One of the top-ranked games in Alumni Field history lived up to its billing, as Notre Dame defended its number-one ranking in the comeback win. The big showdown attracted a spirited crowd of 3,056, the third-biggest home crowd in the program's history. It marked the 11th time in Alumni Field regular-season history that the Irish and their opponent have been ranked sixth or higher (ND is 9-1-1 in those big games).

Previously unbeaten West Virginia owned a 1-0 lead at the break, thanks to Amanda Cicchini's goal in the 17th minute (ending ND's shutout streak at 545 minutes). The Irish then received goals from their top scorers – as Michele Weissenhofer sent home a flick from Brittany Bock, Kerri Hanks headed in a Jen Buczkowski cross, and Amanda Cinalli put back Weissenhofer's shot from close range for the 3-1 final.

Notre Dame held WVU (the nation's top-scoring team) without a shot on goal for the final 74 minutes. Similar to the earlier comeback win versus Santa Clara, the Irish made some key halftime adjustments that included midfielder Brittany Bock and forward Amanda Cinalli flipping positions.

The visitors came to play in an action-packed and physical first half that produced only one corner kick (by WVU), 11 total shots (six by ND) and only two shots on goal (both by WVU). The Irish then cranked up the pressure in the final 45 minutes, with a 19-2 shot edge in the second half (8-0 in shots on goal).

Bock had the flick that led Weissenhofer into the right side and the freshman buried her sixth goal of the season inside the near post, tying the game early in the second half. Midway through the half, senior center back Kim Lorenzen's clearance from midfield preceded Cinalli's cross to the left flank for Buczkowski, who then found Hanks open at the near post. Hanks placed her header into the left side of the goal for what would be one of the most memorable of her 10 career game-winning goals with the Irish.

Hanks also had a hand in the final goal, feeding the ball from the left side into the heart of the penalty area. Weissenhofer's point-blank shot was saved but Cinalli sent home the rebound for the 87th-minute clincher.

The win marked the fourth time that a Notre Dame women's soccer team has opened the season with 10 consecutive victories.

#6 West Virginia	1	0	-	1
#1 Notre Dame	0	3	-	3

WVU 1. Amanda Cicchini (Deana Everett) 16:33; **ND 1.** Michele Weissenhofer (Brittany Bock) 48:52; **ND 2.** Kerri Hanks (Jen Buczkowski, Amanda Cinalli) 73:13; **ND 3.** Cinalli 6 (Weissenhofer) 86:59

Shots: WVU 5-2 – 7, ND 6-19 – 25
Corner Kicks: WVU 1-2 – 3, ND 0-3 – 3
Saves: WVU 5 (Lana Bannerman), ND 1 (Lauren Karas)
Fouls: WVU 13, ND 14
Offside: WVU 0, ND 5
Yellow Cards: Carrie Dew (ND), Carolyn Blank (WVU), Bannerman (WVU), Weissenhofer (ND)
Attendance: 3,056

GAME #11 – Oct. 1
Notre Dame 5, Pittsburgh 0

Notre Dame, Ind. – The new forward trio of Kerri Hanks (1G-2A), Brittany Bock (1G) and Michele Weissenhofer (2G) combined for a 10-point day, as the Irish improved to 11-0-0 for the fourth time. The crowd of 2,681 represented the largest official attendance for a Sunday game in Alumni Field history and completed an impressive weekend with a two-game total of nearly 6,000 fans. The Irish racked up a 31-1 edge in total shots (12-1 in shots on goal) while attempting all eight corner kicks in the game. Four of the goals came in the final 45 minutes, extending Notre Dame's season scoring dominance to 29-0 during the second half.

Jen Buczkowski's right-endline cross led to an own-goal that opened the scoring. The converted midfielder Bock later headed in a left-flank service from Christie Shaner for the 2-0 lead. Weissenhofer – with points in 10 of the first 11 games – briefly took over the team lead in goals (8) before Hanks registered her own eighth goal of the season to cap the scoring.

The Irish remained one of three unbeaten teams in the nation while pushing the program's regular-season win streak to 18 games (second-longest in ND history). The 2006 team joined the 1996 team as the only Notre Dame teams to score multiple goals in each of the first 11 games of a season.

Pittsburgh	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	1	4	-	5

ND 1. own-goal 12:10; **ND 2.** Brittany Bock (Christie Shaner) 54:30; **ND 3.** Michele Weissenhofer (Kerri Hanks; Ashley Jones) 57:14; **ND 4.** Weissenhofer (Hanks) 64:19; **ND 5.** Hanks (Jen Buczkowski) 72:29

Shots: Pitt 1-0 – 1, ND 13-18 – 31
Corner Kicks: Pitt 0-0 – 0, ND 3-5 – 8
Svs: Pitt 7 (Alison Finch 4, Katelyn Baranowsky 2, team 1), ND 1 (Lauren Karas, Kelsey Lysander 1)
Fouls: Pitt 6, ND 13
Offside: Pitt 0, ND 1
Yellow Cards: Megan Watson (Pitt), Carrie Dew (ND), Stephanie Davis (Pitt)
Attendance: 2,681

GAME #12 – Oct. 6
Notre Dame 5, Seton Hall 0

Notre Dame, Ind. – Kerri Hanks erupted for a seven-point game (3G-1A), thrilling the near-capacity crowd of 3,168 as Notre Dame got off to a 12-0-0 start for the fourth time. Hanks registered her 10th career multiple-goal game and third career hat trick. Surging senior Jen Buczkowski added her first goal of the season and two assists to become the 22nd all-time Notre Dame player to reach 20 goals (20) and 20 assists (29) in her career. Reigning national player of the week Michele Weissenhofer chipped in her ninth goal of the season and nation-leading 13th assist.

Notre Dame racked up a 27-1 edge in total shots and had all five corner kicks in the game. The Irish extended their dominating season scoring edge to 43-3, including 32-0 in the second half.

Jill Krivacek assisted on the first two goals, extending the best single-season point total of her career to 11 (3G-5A). Her feed to Brittany Bock helped set up the first goal – with Bock then springing Hanks into the left side of the box, for a shot past the charging 'keeper. Five minutes later, Krivacek delivered a thru-ball that again sprung Hanks for another goal. Early in the second half, Hanks worked an elongated give-and-go with Buczkowski to complete her hat trick.

The shutout gave the 2006 team the Notre Dame record for fewest goals allowed in the first 12 games (3), in addition to keeping pace with the 1996 squad by scoring multiple goals in each of the first 12 games.

Seton Hall	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	2	3	-	5

ND 1. Kerri Hanks (Brittany Bock, Jill Krivacek) 18:22; **ND 2.** Hanks (Krivacek) 24:42; **ND 3.** Hanks (Jen Buczkowski) 54:12; **ND 4.** Michele Weissenhofer (Hanks, Buczkowski) 56:18; **ND 5.** Buczkowski (Weissenhofer, Susan Pinnick) 65:52

Shots: SHU 1-0 – 1, ND 13-14 – 27
Corner Kicks: SHU 0, ND 5
Saves: SHU 6 (Amanda Becker), ND 1 (Lauren Karas 1, Kelsey Lysander 0)
Fouls: SHU 11, ND 11
Offside: SHU 2, ND 4
Attendance: 3,168

GAME #13 – Oct. 8
Notre Dame 2, Rutgers 0

Notre Dame, Ind. – Kerri Hanks set up a pair of goals to complete her nine-point weekend, with primary assists on goals by Brittany Bock and Amanda Cinalli. The program's highest official attendance for a Sunday game (3,003) yielded nearly 12,000 in four games, spanning back-to-back weekends. Notre Dame extended its season scoring margin to 45-3 while matching the program's third-longest season-opening win streak (13-0-0) and tying the team record for consecutive regular-season wins (20).

A BIG EAST scheduling quirk produced a rare early-October "Senior Day" – as Notre Dame honored the eight veterans who represent one of the winningest classes in the history of Division I women's soccer (80-7-2 career record, following the win over RU).

Notre Dame dominated the scoring chances (31-3 shot edge; 10-0 in shots on goal) while matching the 1996 Irish squad's feat of scoring multiple goals in each of the season's first 13 games. No previous team in the program's history has allowed fewer goals at the 13-game mark than the 2006 squad (3).

The first goal sequence saw Hanks recover on the ball before sliding a pass back to her left. Bock ran onto the ball and smacked one-timer from 14 yards out, powering the ball past the 'keeper and into the left side of the net. Notre Dame then continued its season-long trend of scoring early in the second half, with Cinalli scoring in the 49th minute on a play set up by Courtney Rosen's short free kick and a low cross by Hanks from the right corner (the goal was scored on a one-timer at the far post).

Hanks (39G-21A) became the 24th player in Notre Dame history to reach 20G-20A in their careers while the senior class finished the regular season with a 64-3-2 career record (.942) in regular-season games.

Rutgers	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	1	1	-	2

ND 1. Brittany Bock (Kerri Hanks) 34:45; **ND 2.** Amanda Cinalli (Hanks, Courtney Rosen) 48:23

Shots: RU 2-1 – 3, ND 15-16 – 31
Corner Kicks: RU 0-2 – 2, ND 4-3 – 7
Saves: RU 8 (Erin Guthrie 7, tm 1), ND 0 (Lauren Karas)
Fouls: RU 10, ND 10
Offside: RU 0, ND 0
Yellow Card: Caycie Gusman (RU)
Attendance: 3,003

GAME #14 – Oct. 13
Notre Dame 0, Connecticut 0

Storrs, Conn. – Notre Dame and Connecticut added to their 12-year rivalry in a hard-fought tie at Morrone Stadium. The Irish saw the second-longest scoring streak in the program's history end at 49 games, despite a 24-8 edge in total shots (9-1 in OT). The tie duplicated the result from the game nearly six years previously to the day (a 0-0 game on Oct. 21, 2000, also at Morrone). Notre Dame entered the 2000 and 2006 matchups as the nation's top-ranked team and similarly had yet to lose or tie prior to the 2000 game (16-0-0, the best season-opening win streak in the program's history).

The Irish yielded just two shots on goal, with one coming late in regulation and the other in overtime. Despite the tie, Notre Dame remained unbeaten at the 14-game mark for the fifth time in the program's history. The Irish also remained unbeaten in their past 20 overtime games (14-0-6), dating back to 1999.

The visitors appeared to score in the 11th minute, but an offside call negated Michele Weissenhofer's far-post shot into the right sidenetting. Four minutes later, another shot from Weissenhofer hit off the post.

Notre Dame maintained a significant edge (16-4-3) in the all-time series but the fell to just 3-2-3 versus UConn at Morrone Stadium. Randy Waldrum's eight seasons as Irish head coach include an 8-0-0 record versus UConn at Alumni Field or neutral sites – but just 1-2-2 at Morrone. The shutout was Notre Dame's fourth against the Huskies and produced just the sixth scoreless ties in 432 all-time games for Notre Dame women's soccer. The tie prevented the Irish from setting the program record for regular-season winning streak (would have been 21).

#1 Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	-	0
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	-	0

Shots: ND 7-8-6-3 – 24, UConn 4-3-0-1 – 8
Corner Kicks: ND 2-4-1-1 – 8, UConn 4-3-0-0 – 7
Saves: ND 2 (Lauren Karas), UConn 8 (Stephanie Labbe)
Fouls: ND 13, UConn 6
Offside: ND 6, UConn 1
Yellow Card: Jen Buczkowski (ND)

GAME #15 – Oct. 15
Notre Dame 5, Providence 0

Providence, R.I. – Kerri Hanks (1G-2A) reached 100 career points and 40 goals in record-setting fashion, as the Irish stayed unbeaten at 15 games for the sixth time. Five players scored while the Irish compiled a 21-4 shot edge and held the Friars without a shot on goal or corner kick. Notre Dame's 12th shutout extended a span of 11-plus games in which the Irish have allowed only one goal (covering nearly 1,100 minutes). Providence became the fifth different team that had failed to produce even one shot on goal versus the stout Irish defense in 2006.

Hanks (40G-23A; 103) reached the century mark in 40 career games, tying the Notre Dame record shared by Jenny Streiffer and Anne Makinen while besting Streiffer's record for quickest to 40 goals (43 games).

Brittany Bock headed in a Hanks' corner kick for the team's second-quickest goal of the season (6:25). Seven minutes later, Bock's endline cross set up a Susan Pinnick shot and Hanks knocked in the rebound. Amanda Cinalli's goal then produced a 3-0 lead early in the second half, with Michele Weissenhofer later scoring to become the eighth Notre Dame freshman with 10-plus goals and 10-plus assists (13) in her rookie season. Right back Ashley Jones capped the scoring with her fourth career goal.

Notre Dame improved to 17-3-0 during the Randy Waldrum era (since '99) in games after a loss/tie in the regular season or BIG EAST Tournament (the senior class remained perfect, 10-0-0, in such games). The 2006 team returned home with the Notre Dame record for fewest goals allowed in the first 15 games (3).

#1 Notre Dame	2	3	-	5
Providence	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Brittany Bock (Kerri Hanks) 6:25; **ND 2.** Hanks (Susan Pinnick) 13:41; **ND 3.** Amanda Cinalli (-) 49:35; **ND 4.** Michele Weissenhofer (Hanks) 55:24; **ND 5.** Ashley Jones (Courtney Rosen, Jen Buczkowski) 67:32

Shots: ND 11-10 – 21, PC 2-2 – 4
Corner Kicks: ND 3-4 – 7, PC 0-0 – 0
Saves: PC 10 (Laura Elfers 7, Ashley Fedyshyn 3), ND 0 (Lauren Karas, Kelsey Lysander)
Fouls: ND 15, PC 12
Offside: ND 5, PC 0

GAME #16 – Oct. 20
Notre Dame 4, Villanova 2

Villanova, Pa. – Kerri Hanks stayed hot by scoring the first two Irish goals and adding an assist, in the battle with a Villanova team ranked as high as ninth nationally. The game was a matchup of the nation's leaders in goals-against-average, with each squad allowing its most goals of the season. Notre Dame remained unbeaten after 16 games for the sixth time in the past 13 seasons and third time in the career of the senior class.

Hanks converted a pass from Amanda Cinalli in the 10th minute, turning on the ball for a low shot into the left corner. It marked just the fourth goal – and first in the first half – allowed by Villanova this season. Villanova tied the game early in the second half, halting Notre Dame's shutout streak at 592 minutes. Michelle Weissenhofer later extended her nation-leading assist total to 14, after ripping a shot from the left side of the penalty area in the 61st minute. Hanks then sent home the rebound at the far-post for her fourth multiple-goal game of the season and 11th of her young career.

The Irish went on to add goals by Courtney Rosen (set up by a drop pass from Weissenhofer) and Jill Krivacek, completing a 20-minute stretch that produced three goals. A late Villanova goal made Rosen's score hold up as the gamewinner. The freshman midfielder had shifted to forward five minutes after the second Hanks goal and promptly scored the first official goal of her Notre Dame career, after quickly shifting the ball to her left and rocketing a low shot into the crowded penalty area (the ball carried up the middle and found the back of the net).

Despite allowing the pair of goals, Notre Dame held the opponent to 0-2 shots on goal (2) for the eighth straight game. It was the first time the Irish had allowed multiple goals in the regular season since mid-2005.

#1 Notre Dame	1	3	-	4
#9 Villanova	0	2	-	2

ND 1. Kerri Hanks (Amanda Cinalli) 9:07; **VILL 1.** Erin Byrnes (-) 48:21; **ND 2.** Hanks (Michele Weissenhofer, Carrie Dew) 60:52; **ND 3.** Courtney Rosen (Weissenhofer) 74:11; **ND 4.** Jill Krivacek (Hanks) 80:28; **VILL 2.** Byrnes (Kayce Blanford) 89:02

Shots: ND 5-12 – 17, VILL 3-6 – 9
Corner Kicks: ND 2-3 – 5, VILL 1-3 – 4
Saves: ND 0 (Lauren Karas), VILL 6 (Jillian Loyden)
Fouls: ND 12, VILL 13
Offside: ND 0, VILL 0
YCs: ND team, Rosen (ND), Jenna Gordan (VILL)

**GAME #23 – Nov. 12 (NCAA 2nd Round)
Notre Dame 1, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 0**

Notre Dame, Ind. – Michele Weissenhofer scored in fifth minute and top-ranked Notre Dame held on from there, overcoming yet another challenging NCAA second-round game. The Irish set a team record with their 30th consecutive win at home while advancing to the round-of-16 for the 12th time in the past 14 seasons, the second-most appearances in the final-16 during that span. The Irish continued to play with two freshman starters (Haley Ford and Amanda Clark) on the back line, as center back Carrie Dew (injury) and left back Christie Shaner (illness) remained sidelined.

Weissenhofer's 15th goal of the season held up as her fourth gamewinner, with three of those timely scores coming in the postseason. The goal – Notre Dame's third-quickest of the season (4:37) – was set up by Jen Buczkowski's driven ball down the center of the field (leading to her career-best 12th assist of the season). Kerri Hanks then appeared ready to shoot from the top of the box before sending a short thru-ball into the left side. Weissenhofer was angling in from the left and hit the ball with her off-foot, resulting in a shot from the outside of her right foot. The eight-yard shot caught the goalkeeper off-balance and carried into the right side of the net.

Notre Dame improved to 24-0-0 in Sunday games during the 2005 and '06 seasons while posting its 17th shutout of the season and holding the opponent to 0-4 shots on goal for the 19th time. Hanks extended her point streak to nine games (tying her career-best).

Wisconsin-Milwaukee	0	0	-	0
Notre Dame	1	0	-	1

ND 1. Michele Weissenhofer (Kerri Hanks, Jen Buczkowski) 4:37

Shots: UWM 3-4 – 7, ND 5-4 – 9

Corner Kicks: UWM 4-1 – 5, ND 3-2 – 5

Saves: UWM 2 (Erin Kane), ND 2 (Lauren Karas)

Fouls: UWM 8, ND 17 **Offside:** UWM 0, ND 6

Yellow Cards: Brittany Bock (ND), Kim Lorenzen (ND), Claire Pignet (UWM)

**GAME #24 – Nov. 17 (NCAA 3rd Round)
Notre Dame 3, Colorado 0**

Notre Dame, Ind. – Brittany Bock's two first-half goals made Notre Dame the nation's only team with four double-digit goalscorers and Kerri Hanks capped the scoring with her nation-leading 22nd goal of the season, as the Irish advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals for the 10th time (third-most of any team, since 1994). Notre Dame (23-0-1) equaled the best undefeated start in the program's history and tied a team record with their 18th shutout of the season, after finishing with a 26-5 edge in total shots (9-0 in shots on goal). It marked the sixth time in 2006 that the Irish held their opponent without a shot on goal.

Bock scored a world-class goal in the 16th minute, with passes from Ashley Jones and Jill Krivacek setting up the quick turn. The 25-yard shot rocketing from the left side and knuckled past the goalkeeper for Bock's sixth gamewinner of the season. Later in the half, she headed home a leftside corner kick from Hanks for her fifth goal of the 2006 postseason.

Hanks capped the scoring in the 89th minute, on a free kick from just beyond the left side of the box. The curving shot carried into the far-right side of the goal, as Hanks became the first player in Notre Dame's storied history to reach 50 career goals prior to her junior season. She also joined Katie Thorlakson as the only Irish players ever to total 60-plus points in multiple seasons. The score gave Hanks a share of the Notre Dame record for career postseason goals (15) and produced the most points in season (61) ever by an ND sophomore.

Colorado suffered a familiar fate, as teams playing Notre Dame are just 3-44-1 since 1993. The Irish improved to 45-5-0 in all series openers since 1993 and 7-1-0 in all-time openers that have come in the NCAAs (also 26-2-0 in all series openers during the Waldrum era and 17-0-0 during the seniors' career). Jen Buczkowski logged her 100th career game, one shy of the Notre Dame record.

#16 Colorado	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	2	1	-	3

ND 1. Brittany Bock (Jill Krivacek, Ashley Jones) 15:39; **ND 2.** Bock (Kerri Hanks) 33:20; **ND 3.** Hanks (-) 88:18

Shots: CU 3-2 – 5, ND 15-11 – 26

Corner Kicks: CU 2-1 – 3, ND 2-1 – 3

Saves: CU 6 (Kirstin Radlinski 5, team 1), ND 0 (Lauren Karas)

Fouls: CU 8, ND 11 **Offside:** CU 0, ND 1

Yellow Cards: Michelle Wenino (CU), Allison Kidd (CU)



Courtney Rosen (#14) joined Jill Krivacek as the unlikely scoring heroes in the NCAA semifinal win over 5th-ranked Florida State.

**GAME #25 – Nov. 24
NCAA Quarterfinals
Notre Dame 4, Penn State 0**

Notre Dame, Ind. – Michele Weissenhofer became the third Notre Dame freshman ever to post a hat trick in NCAA Tournament play while Kerri Hanks helped set up all four goals (career-high three assists) to become just the 11th Division I player ever to reach 20 goals and 20 assists in the same season. The Irish advanced to the NCAA semifinals for the eighth time, delighting a spirited overflow crowd that sent the Irish senior class off with a 53-2-1 career record at home. Notre Dame improved its all-time home postseason record to 44-3-0, with 14 straight home wins in postseason play.

The win helped set team records for overall unbeaten streak (25, ninth in NCAA history) and shutouts in a season (19). The Irish moved on to the semifinals for the eighth time since 1994, second-most in that span. The 4-0 final represented Notre Dame's largest margin of victory versus a top-25 NCAA Tournament opponent since 1997.

Notre Dame finished with a 27-3 edge in total shots (11-2 in shots on goal) and 9-1 margin in corner kicks. The Irish allowed only one shot in the final 83 minutes (a harmless attempt from 35 yards) and held the visitors without any shot attempts for the final 52 minutes.

The senior class said goodbye to Alumni Field having fashioned a 32-game home winning streak and 41-game home unbeaten streak (both third in the NCAA record book). The win yielded a 91-7-3 career record for the 2006 seniors, matching the most wins ever by a Notre Dame senior class. Jen Buczkowski's final home game also was the 101st of her career, tying that Irish record.

Notre Dame woke up from a scoreless first half to see Weissenhofer score three times in a 12-minute span. Buczkowski's entry pass after a quick reset led to a flick from Hanks before Weissenhofer lifted a six-yard shot into the upper right corner of the net (53:05). The goal held up as her fourth gamewinner of the 2006 postseason, setting the ND record for GWGs in one postseason.

Less than three minutes later, a classic counterattack saw Hanks loft a cross from the right flank before Bock chested the ball down in the center of the field, despite being tightly marked. Her leftfooted shot deflected to the side and Weissenhofer sent the rebound inside the near-left post (the win was ND's 246th consecutive when claiming a 2-0 lead). A leftside free-kick from Hanks later set up Weissenhofer's score from the top of the box, with the net vacated after a collision. Weissenhofer became the second Notre Dame player ever to register a hat trick in the NCAA quarterfinal round or later. Amanda Cinalli later headed in a corner kick from Hanks, who became the first Notre Dame player to post both a hat trick and three-assist game in NCAA Tournament play.

Cinalli's career-best 11th goal of the season gave her 18 career points in the NCAAs (6th in ND history). Hanks (22G-20A) and Weissenhofer (18G-17A) moved into the top spots on the national scoring charts and became the 23rd set of teammates in NCAA history to top 50 points in the same season, with Weissenhofer the second Notre Dame freshman ever to reach 17G-17A.

#8 Penn State	0	0	-	0
#1 Notre Dame	0	4	-	4

ND 1. M. Weissenhofer (Kerri Hanks, Jen Buczkowski); **ND 2.** Weissenhofer (Brittany Bock); **ND 3.** Weissenhofer (Hanks) 65:42; **ND 4.** Amanda Cinalli (Hanks) 71:55

Shots: PS 3-0 – 3, ND 13-14 – 27 **CK:** PS 1-0 – 1, ND 4-5 – 9

Saves: PS 7 (Kate Milstead), ND 2 (Lauren Karas)

Fouls: PS 19, ND 14 **Offside:** PS 0, ND 1

Yellow Cards: Heather Tomko (PS), Akilah Duggan (PS)

**GAME #26 – Dec. 1 (NCAA Semifinals)
Notre Dame 2, Florida State 1**

Cary, N.C. – Courtney Rosen and Jill Krivacek were the unlikely goalscorers, as Notre Dame outlasted 5th-ranked Florida State (2-1) and advanced to the NCAA title game for the sixth time (second-most of any team). The win made Randy Waldrum the third coach in Division I women's soccer history ever to take three or more of his teams to the NCAA championship game (also '99 and '04).

Rosen pounced on a turnover near the upper right corner of the box and faked a defender before blasting a leftfooted shot into the near-right side of the goal (35:32). Three minutes later, Kerri Hanks delivered a rightside corner-kick, with a double-header sequence off Brittany Bock and Krivacek sending the ball into the upper right corner. FSU's India Trotter scored early in the second half but Lauren Karas made some big plays in goal the rest of the way to secure the 12th consecutive win. It marked Notre Dame's 35th consecutive victory when scoring first and 249th straight win when claiming a 2-0 lead.

#5 Florida State	0	1	-	1
#1 Notre Dame	2	0	-	2

ND 1. Courtney Rosen (-) 35:32; **ND 2.** Jill Krivacek (Brittany Bock, Kerri Hanks) 38:21; **FS 1.** India Trotter (Kelly Rowland) 51:22

Shots: FS 2-8 – 10, ND 9-6 – 15 **CK:** FS 5-3 – 8, ND 3-0 – 3

Saves: FS 8 (Ali Mims 7, Libby Gianeskis 1), ND 1 (Karas)

Fouls: FS 13, ND 23 **Offside:** FS 1, ND 3

Yellow Cards: Brittany Bock (ND), Rosen (ND)

**GAME #27 – Dec. 3 (NCAA Final)
North Carolina 2, Notre Dame 1**

Cary, N.C. – The championship game featured teams that shared the top spot in the NSCAA coaches poll, with a sparkling 51-1-1 combined record (ND 25-0-1; UNC 26-1-0) that represented the first time both teams have entered the title game with 25-plus wins. Heather O'Reilly's 18th-minute goal produced Notre Dame's first deficit in 17 games and UNC then went up 2-0 early in the second half, on a goal by Casey Nogueira.

Notre Dame's late push included a goal in the 81st minute by Brittany Bock, who flicked a header from the top of the box after Kerri Hanks' booming free kick down the center of the field. Hanks nearly tied the game in the closing moments, but her free kick near the upper left corner of the box skipped wide of the far-right post.

Hanks set the Notre Dame record for points in one NCAA Tournament (16; 4G-8A) and joined former UNC great Mia Hamm as the only players ever to finish a season as the national leader in goals (22) and assists (22). Jen Buczkowski appeared in her ND-record 103rd career game (4th in NCAA history) while joining Christie Shaner (100) for the most combined games by ND (203). The game featured the nation's winningest senior classes from the 2006 season (UNC 97-3-3; ND 92-8-3).

#1 Notre Dame	0	1	-	1
#1 North Carolina	1	1	-	2

NC 1. Heather O'Reilly (Casey Nogueira) 17:57; **NC 1.** Nogueira (O'Reilly, Whitney Engen) 46:28; **ND 1.** Brittany Bock (Kerri Hanks) 80:30

Shots: ND 10-10 – 20, NC 2-7 – 9 **CK:** ND 0-1 – 1, NC 1-1 – 2

Saves: ND 5 (Lauren Karas),

NC 2 (Anna Rodenbough 1, Ashlyn Harris 1)

Fouls: ND 21, NC 20 **Offside:** ND 6, NC 1

Yellow Cards: Tobin Heath (NC), Ali Hawkins (NC), Amanda Clark (ND), Christie Shaner (ND)

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Jen #9 Buczkowski

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- NCAA Second Team All-American (2006)**
- NCAA Third Team All-American (2004, '05)**
- NCAA First Team Scholar All-American (2006)**
- BIG EAST Midfielder of the Year (2005)**
- First Team All-BIG EAST (2004-06)**
- CoSIDA Academic All-District (2004-06)**

Three-time All-America midfielder who fueled dominating possession game ... the only time the Irish were outshot in her career came in the 2006 NCAA final ... never missed a game while setting Notre Dame records for career games played (103; 4th in NCAA history) and consecutive games played (103) ... her other career stats included 77 points (22nd in ND history), 20 goals, 37 assists (13th) and 97 starts (6th) ... starter with U.S. Under-21 National Team that won Nordic Cup in summer of 2005 (in Sweden) ... one of three U.S. players to log every minute of that tournament (15-1 scoring edge; 4-1 final vs. Norway) ... joined teammate Kerri Hanks, UNC's Heather O'Reilly and Nebraska's Brittany Timko as only players among final-15 candidates for both the 2005 and 2006 M.A.C. Hermann awards (national player of the year) ... consummate playmaker known composure on the ball, knack for squirting out of trouble and ability to control pace and point of attack – plus tremendous touch and field vision, with classic head-up dribbling style with ball rarely straying far from her feet ... starting defender with

U.S. U-19 National Team who decided to play for Irish in 2004, rather than sit out semester for U-19 World Championship ... member of winningest class (92-8-3) in Notre Dame history (23-5 avg. shot margin; 53-2-1 record at home) ... NSCAA first team all-Great Lakes Region and first team all-BIG EAST each of final three seasons ('05 BIG EAST midfielder of the year) ... converted PK in shootout to help complete run to 2004 NCAA title ... her goal at Georgetown in '04 (89:36) made her third ND player ever to win game in final minute (first since '94) ... totaled 11 career postseason assists (8th in ND record book) ... shares Notre Dame record for games played in season (27) and one of four to log 27 games in multiple seasons ('04, '06; others are Jill Krivacek, Amanda Cinalli, Ashley Jones) ... joined Irish program with former ODP and club teammates Krivacek and Kim Lorenzen, who led Illinois ODP to 2003 national title (ND's Brittany Bock also was on that team) ... played alongside Krivacek in summers of 2005 and '06 with W-League's Chicago Gaels, earning 2006 all-conference honors ... played with Krivacek and Lorenzen on Eclipse Select team that came just shy of USYS Under-19 national title game in summer of '04 (when she also played for W-League's Chicago Cobras) ... played at international events with U-16 National Team (France, '01) before facing teams from Germany and Holland with U-19s in Mexico ('03) ... graduated from Notre Dame with a 3.49 cumulative GPA, as a marketing major.

AS A SENIOR: Repeated several honors – as one of final-15 candidates for Hermann Trophy, plus first team all-BIG EAST, NSCAA first team all-region and CoSIDA second team academic all-district – while collecting first team All-America from *Soccer Buzz* and second team from the NSCAA ... also named NSCAA first team Scholar All-America and selected Notre Dame's team MVP ... led Irish in minutes played (2,137; 79/gm) while appearing in all 27 games for NCAA runner-up squad (25-1-1; 26 GS) ... team's fifth-leading scorer (15 points; 1G-13A), ranking 13th nationally in assists ... led top-ranked squad that owned nation's best scoring margin (+74; 85-11) ... named all-tournament at ND Classic for fourth time in her career, after helping top #19 USC (2-0) and fellow #1 Santa Clara (3-1) ... assisted on midseason goals versus Michigan (by Cinalli, to cap 2-0 win), West Virginia (Kerri Hanks gamewinner, 3-1) and Pittsburgh (Hanks, capping 5-0 win) before posting 1G-2A in 5-0 win over Seton Hall (goals by Hanks and Michele Weissenhofer) ... added assists in wins at Providence (by Ashley Jones, capping 5-0 game) and Cincinnati (by Hanks, 2-0; 3-0 final) before totaling six assists in postseason ... assisted on final goal in BIG EAST quarterfinal with St. John's (3-0, by Hanks) before setting up final two in BIG EAST title game versus Rutgers (4-2; by Weissenhofer and Cinalli) ... opened NCAAs with assists versus Oakland (7-1; by Hanks for 3-1 lead) and Wisconsin-Milwaukee (1-0; Weissenhofer) ... also assisted on Weissenhofer goal that opened quarterfinal win over 8th-ranked Penn State (4-0).

AS A JUNIOR: One of final-15 candidates for Hermann Trophy while repeating as NSCAA third team All-American and first team all-BIG EAST (also named BIG EAST midfielder of the year) ... repeated as CoSIDA Academic All-District V pick (2nd team) ... sixth on team with 21 points (7G-7A, 2 GWG; 25 GP/23 GS), finishing ninth among BIG EAST players in points and assists ... driving force for nation's leading team in goal margin and scoring offense (110-15; 4.40 goals/gm), with Irish trailing in just three games for 153 minutes (6.7%) ... defensive MVP of ND Classic after helping hold #11 Florida (4-1) and #25 Maryland (6-0) to a single goal (8 shots, 4 SOG, 5 CKs) ... assisted on rebound goal by Hanks for early lead on Maryland ... had 1G-1A versus Gonzaga (4-1), as all-tournament pick at Santa Clara Classic ... scored GWG on header in 3-0 win over #20 Michigan ... scored for

2-0 lead on #10 Connecticut (4-0) ... opened BIG EAST quarterfinal with 1G-1A versus Georgetown (6-0) and again in semifinal at #11 Marquette (3-0; flicked in a Hanks corner kick for 2-0 lead).

AS A SOPHOMORE: NSCAA third team All-American, first team all-BIG EAST and first team Academic All-District V ... third on team with 27 points (8G-11A) while tying ND record for games played (27/25 GS) ... 18th in nation with 11A (2nd in BIG EAST) ... 4th among BIG EAST players in points, 5th in GWGs (4), 11th in goals (8) ... opened scoring in five games (tying Cinalli for most on team), also 3rd with 2,153 minutes (80/gm) ... led dominant possession that yielded nearly as many goals (71) as opponent shots on goal (73), with team averaging 20.6 shots/10.2 SOG per game while allowing just 5.7 shots/2.6 SOG ... had 1G-2A in opening win over Baylor (7-2) ... scored on header versus Eastern Illinois (3-0) ... opened scoring in battle with Santa Clara, on near-post header after Thorlakson's right-corner free kick ... clinched spot on ND Classic all-tournament team by assisting on GWG vs. SCU (5-2), with 83rd-minute thru-ball on Thorlakson's far-post shot ... scored for early lead at Syracuse (2-1) and assisted on Thorlakson's goal at West Virginia (3-1) ... had four GWGs in next seven games (none in first 37 with Irish) ... battled through crowded box and buried 12-yard shot inside near left post for 2-1 win at Georgetown, the third time the Irish had won in final minute (89:36) ... added late GWG to beat Boston College (1-0), on low shot from 10 yards in 80th minute (assisted by leftside cross from Jones) ... assisted on pair of Candace Chapman goals versus Seton Hall (3-1) ... scored early at Michigan, via Thorlakson's pass, later launching 35-yard shot to set up Thorlakson's one-timer (4-0) ... assisted on two Thorlakson goals in BIG EAST quarterfinal win over St. John's (7-0) ... notched another GWG versus BC, in 2-0 BIG EAST semifinal (took pass from Jones and struck left-footed, far-post shot from top of box) ... passed to Thorlakson for 2-0 lead on Eastern Illinois in NCAAs (4-0) ... converted for first lead (2-1) in title-game shootout, on rising shot into right side (keeper Valerie Henderson went other way).

AS A FRESHMAN: Key factor behind dominating 2003 possession (73-12 scoring; 53 opponent shots on goal) ... *Soccer America* first team Freshman All-American (also BIG EAST all-rookie team) ... seventh on team in scoring (14 pts/4G-6A; 24 GP/23 GS) ... assisted on Krivacek's GWG in 3-0 win over Wake Forest (at UConn) ... offensive MVP at ND Classic (also BIG EAST player of week and *Soccer America* national team of week), after totaling 2G-3A in wins over Arizona State (3-1) and Oklahoma (5-1) ... her long service assisted goals by Mary Boland and Amy Warner versus ASU, followed by 2G-1A against Oklahoma ... scored twice in NCAA win over Loyola Chicago (5-0) ... scored in '04 spring game with Mexico (2-3).

PREP & PERSONAL: Three-year prep All-American (NSCAA '01/'02; *Parade* '03) and member of U-16/17/19 national teams, also playing for ODP state/region teams ('98-'03) ... Gatorade state player of the year ('03) ... ranked nation's 6th-best recruit (*Soccer America*) ... NSCAA All-Academic team ('02) ... top scorer all three seasons with Elk Grove HS ('02 all-state) before focusing on U-19s ... 69G-52A in EGHS career (20G-25A/21G-15A/28G-12A from '00-'02) ... two-year EGHS captain ... joined Krivacek and Lorenzen on Illinois team that was 2001 ODP national runner-up before winning '03 title in Plano, Texas (Bock also played on '03 team), with 1-0 final versus future ND teammate Lizzie Reed's N.J. squad ... helped Sockers win 2000 WAGS tournament ('02 regional semifinalist; played up to win '03 u-23 state cup) ... brother Chris played for Illinois ODP ... daughter of Gary and Lisa Buczkowski ... full name is Jennifer Rose Buczkowski ... born April 4, 1985, in Park Ridge, Ill.

Buczkowski's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	24/23	37	4	6	14	0
2004	27/25	51	8	11	27	4
2005	25/23	34	7	7	21	2
2006	27/26	36	1	13	15	0
Totals	103/97	158	20	37	77	6

Postseason: 5G-11A in 29 GS
(2G-4A in 19 GS during NCAAs)





Jill Krivacek #24

Class of 2007 • Midfielder

Geneva, Illinois • Rosary H.S.

NCAA Second Team All-Region (2006)

Third Team All-BIG EAST (2004)

Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST (2006)

NCAA All-Tournament Team (2006)

BIG EAST Tournament Defensive MVP (2005)

Imposing defensive midfielder who collected third team all-BIG EAST honors in 2004 national-title season (also honorable mention in 2006 and defensive MVP of 2005 BIG EAST Tournament) ... strong player in the air, maximizing 5-foot-11 frame, who became very effective at holding the ball with pressure around her ... key transition player who quickly cycled ball into the attack ... spirited player with patented brand of comic relief ... appeared in 95 career games (16th in ND history), starting 65 with 35 points (10 goals, 15 assists) ... half of her goals (5) were gamewinners while one-third of her points (3G-6A) came in post-season (13 GP/9 GS) ... member of winningest class (92-8-3) in Notre Dame women's soccer history (the seniors were not outshot until the final game of their career) ... delivered two big strikes in run to 2004 NCAA title (90th-minute goal in second round vs. Wisconsin and final PK in title game vs. UCLA) ... gained top-level experience playing in W-League during 2004-06 summers ... logged team-best 1,280 minutes for Chicago Gaels in summer of '05 (3G-1A) alongside Jen Buczkowski, a longtime teammate dating back to 7th grade ... both returned to the Gaels in '06, with Krivacek playing in 11 games (2G; 7-4-3- record) and ranking third on team with 989 minutes ... combined with future ND teammates Buczkowski, Kim Lorenzen and Brittany Bock in leading Illinois ODP to 2003 national title ... played alongside Buczkowski and Lorenzen on Sockers and then on Eclipse Select club that won 2004 regional title and came just shy of playing in USYS u-19 national final (missed title

game on tiebreakers) ... her '04 summer included playing alongside several former and current ND players with W-League's Ft. Wayne Fever (11-3-1; divisional runner-up; 1G-2A) ... others on the Fever included Lorenzen, Christie Shaner, Amanda Cinalli, Lauren Karas, Kerry Inglis, Meotis Erikson, Amy Warner, Kim Carpenter and Mary Boland ... graduated with 3.29 cumulative GPA (3.92 in '07 spring term), as marketing major.

AS A SENIOR: Named honorable mention all-BIG EAST while finishing as team's fourth-leading scorer, with career-best 16 points (5G-6A; 27 GP/24 GS) ... one of 33 named to midseason Hermann Trophy watch list (national player of the year) ... helped Irish lead nation in shutouts (19; ND record and 7th in NCAA history) while setting ND record for fewest shots on goal allowed (2.11/gm; 57 total) ... had points in four of the first five games ... opened season with 1G-1A in 9-0 win over Iowa State ... assisted on winning goal the next day at Mississippi (2-1), after flicking a Michele Weissenhofer flip-throw to st up shot by Kerri Hanks ... named to *Soccer America* national team of the week and also tabbed BIG EAST defensive player of the week, after her defensive MVP performance at the ND Classic ... scored dramatic tying goal in 64th minute of 3-1 win over fellow #1 Santa Clara, after running onto a Cinalli pass into the left side of the box and rocketing home a quick leftfooted shot ... headed in a Weissenhofer cross to open scoring at TCU in 55th minute (2-0) ... her entry pass led to goal by Ashley Jones to cap 2-0 win over Louisville ... assisted on pair of Hanks goals that opened scoring versus Seton Hall (5-0) ... scored insurance goal in 4-2 win at Villanova ... had primary pass on Bock's turn-and-shoot that opened scoring in 16th minute of NCAA third-round game (3-0, vs. #16 Colorado) ... her final goal proved to be the gamewinner in NCAA semifinal win over 5th-ranked Florida State (2-1), a double-header sequence with Bock after a Hanks' rightside corner (goal went to upper right corner).

AS A JUNIOR: Slowed by early knee injury but ultimately appeared in 18 games (12 starts; 2G-2A) ... named defensive MVP of 2005 BIG EAST Tournament, after key role in dominating three-game stretch versus Georgetown (6-0), Marquette (3-0) and UConn (5-0) that included 14-0 scoring edge (plus 59-18 in shots, 32-8 in shots on goal, 17-3 in corner kicks) ... key cog in 110-15 season scoring margin and an average shot edge of 22.5 to 5.0 (12.3-2.1 in shots on goal; 7.0-1.7 in corner kicks) ... tapped in a Maggie Manning cross to complete 11-1 win over New Hampshire ... scored after return from injury, on looping 58th-minute shot that opened scoring in 4-0 win over Villanova ... assisted in back-to-back wins over Georgetown (6-1, 6-0) - first on pass that helped spring Cinalli for 2-0 lead and then on feed to Hanks, who converted thru-ball in BIG EAST quarterfinal ... her pass to Manning set up Bock's header versus Valparaiso in NCAAAs (6-0) ... added entry pass the next week to Cinalli, who fed Hanks for 4-2 lead in NCAA third round versus Yale (5-2) ... assisted on Cinalli's goal that opened scoring in 2006 spring victory over Mexican National team (3-0).

AS A SOPHOMORE: Named third team all-BIG EAST ... made 23 starts while playing in all 27 games, tying 10 teammates for ND record for games played in a season ... her only goal of 2004 came in dramatic fashion, beating Wisconsin in 90th minute of NCAA second-round matchup ... both her assists also came in postseason ... averaged 74 minutes per game (eight with 90-plus) ... helped 2004 defense rank among best in ND history - most notably in low number of corner kicks allowed (48; 1.8 per game/2nd in ND record book), also ranking third at the time in ND history for total shots allowed/gm (5.7; 155 total) and fourth in shots-on-goal allowed (2.6/gm; 71) ... her shutout skills contributed to Irish totaling nearly

as many goals (71) as opponent shots on goal (73) ... helped Irish lead nation in shutouts (16; 3rd in ND history) while allowing 0-1 goals in 25 games ... the '04 team's 0.51 GAA ranked fourth in nation (4th in ND history) ... started final 15 games ... named to ND Classic all-tournament team after wins over Stanford (1-0; 3 shots, 2 SOG, 2 CK) and Santa Clara (5-2; shutout SCU for 60 minutes) ... played full 90 in 3-1 win at West Virginia ... part of impressive defensive efforts versus Boston College in regular season (1-0; 2 shots, 1 SOG) and BIG EAST semifinals (2-0; 2 SOG, CK) ... credited with assist in BIG EAST quarterfinal with St. John's (7-0), after Katie Thorlakson's left-side corner kick grazed off her head and Lizzie Reed's head before settling into net ... had similar assist two weeks later, as Thorlakson's corner skimmed off her head to set up Cinalli's volley for early lead on Eastern Illinois in NCAAAs (4-0) ... played 90 minutes in postseason versus UConn (BIG EAST title game, 1-2) and Wisconsin (1-0), also full 110 in NCAA title game versus UCLA (1-1; 4-3 PKs) ... part of defense that allowed just a pair of goals, 32 shots, 13 SOG and 14 corners in NCAAAs - versus EIU (1 SOG), Wisconsin (1 shot), UConn (2 SOG, 1 CK), Portland (3 SOG, 2 CK), Santa Clara (3 shots, 1 SOG) and UCLA (6 SOG) ... scored one of most dramatic postseason goals in Notre Dame history, with Thorlakson serving ball from northwest flag in final minute of second-round game versus Wisconsin ... shifted left and elevated for flick header into the far-right side of the net, with 0:53 left in regulation ... the previous 16 seasons had seen the Irish win in final minute just twice but it happened twice in 2004 (also at Georgetown, on goal by Buczkowski) ... took team's sixth PK in title game versus UCLA, sending shot past Valerie Henderson into lower right corner (Erika Bohn's save moments the ended 4-3 shootout).

AS A FRESHMAN: Key defensive midfielder (23 GP/6 GS; 2G-3A) who helped Irish finish fifth in nation with 0.49 GAA while allowing only 53 shots on goal ... drew starts versus Oklahoma (5-1), Villanova (1-0, OT), Butler (3-0), Pittsburgh (1-0), Seton Hall (2-0) and Michigan (2-3) ... opened scoring with second-half goal against Wake Forest (3-0, at UConn), taking left-endline pass from Buczkowski and roofing shot into left top-netting ... assisted on Amanda Guertin goal versus Georgetown (6-0) ... ripped shot from top of box versus Miami, with Thorlakson banging home the rebound (3-0) ... her pass set up Warner's race to goal to open scoring at Seton Hall (2-0) ... collected loose ball and blasted shot into upper right corner in NCAA win over Loyola Chicago (5-0).

PREP & PERSONAL: Four-year MVP and two-year captain at Rosary High School (school records with 78 career goals, 65 assists) ... member of state ODP program and regional ODP pool from '98-'03, ... combined with Buczkowski and Lorenzen in leading Illinois ODP to 2001 national runner-up finish (Las Vegas) before winning '03 title in Plano, Texas - with 1-0 win over future ND classmate Lizzie Reed and her New Jersey team in the final ... *Daily Herald* Tri-Cities female athlete of the year ... all-state as a senior (14G-15A; regional champs) ... helped win five regional ODP titles ... played alongside Buczkowski and Lorenzen on Chicago Sockers club that won '01 Presidents Cup and WAGS tournament (state runner-up) ... center midfielder with Sockers ('02 state champs and regional semifinalist; '00 and '03 state runner-up) ... the Sockers played up to win 2003 u-23 state cup ... earned three letters as forward on RHS basketball team (school records for career scoring and rebounding) ... led team to first conference basketball title in school history ('03) ... twice conference basketball MVP, also all-area and team captain ... began playing soccer as first-grader ... daughter of Barry and Karen Krivacek ... Jillian Marie Krivacek ... born May 30, 1985, in Chicago.

Krivacek's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	23/6	20	2	3	7	1
2004	27/23	10	1	2	4	1
2005	18/12	8	2	4	8	1
2006	27/24	29	5	6	16	2
Totals	95/65	67	10	15	35	5

**Postseason: 3G-6A in 29 GP/27 GS
(3G-4A in 19 GP/17 GS during NCAAAs)**

Graduated Letterwinners



Christie Shaner #18

Class of 2007 • Defender

Ambler, Pa. • Germantown Academy

NSCAA Second Team All-Region (2005)

NSCAA First Team Scholar All-American (2006)

CoSIDA Academic All-District (2004, 2006)

Second Team All-BIG EAST (2003, 2005)

Third Team All-BIG EAST (2004, 2006)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Year (2003)

Fourth Notre Dame women's soccer player ever named all-BIG EAST four times (second team in 2003 and '05; third team '04, '06) ... finished fourth on ND career games played list (100), as 25th D-I player ever to reach the century mark ... her 95 starts rank 11th in Irish record book, with her other career stats including three goals and nine assists ... member of winningest class (92-8-3) in Notre Dame women's soccer history (the 2006 seniors were not outshot until the final game of their career) ... logged most minutes (5,787; 73/gm) of any Irish player spanning 2004-06 seasons ... started mostly as center back in 2003 before primary role as starting left back from 2004-06, with great mobility down the flanks, strong play in the air, good positioning and accurate leftfooted crossing ... rated as one of nation's toughest tackling backs ... excellent student who graduated with 3.47 cumulative GPA, as a design major ... hoisted three national championship trophies in span of eight months, adding final two in summer of '05 as member of F.C. Indiana (based in nearby Goshen) that won Women's Premier Soccer League title and U.S. Open Cup ... helped FCI go 18-1-0 while allowing just 15 goals, alongside ND teammates Nikki Westfall, Brittany Bock and Kerry Inglis ... played midfield/defense with FCI and even was used as

emergency goalkeeper ... helped FCI win WPSL with semifinal against New England Mutiny (2-0) and title game versus defending champs California Storm (3-3 after OT, then won 4-3 shootout) ... marked former National Team player Brandi Chastain for much of game with the Storm ... returned to FCI in 2006, alongside Westfall, Susan Pinnick and Kerri Hanks ... her busy 2004 summer included playing with Inglis, Kim Lorenzen, Jill Krivacek, Amanda Cinalli and Lauren Karas (plus ND alums Meotis Erikson, Mary Boland and Kim Carpenter) on W-League's Ft. Wayne Fever (3G-3A; 11-3-1 record) ... attended 2005 U.S. U-21 National Team training camp ... earlier was on pace to play for U.S. U-19s before back ('01) and ankle ('02) injuries ... rated by *Soccer America* as nation's 22nd-best incoming recruit in 2003 ... made early commitment to the Irish in spring of 2002.

AS A SENIOR: Named third team all-BIG EAST, NSCAA first team Scholar All-America and CoSIDA second team Academic All-District ... appeared in first 21 games before missing two NCAA games due to illness (25 GP/23 GS) ... fifth on team in minutes played (2,007; 74/gm) ... helped Irish lead nation in shutouts (19; ND record and 7th in NCAA history) while ranking third in goals-against avg. (0.40) and setting ND record for fewest shots on goal allowed (2.11/gm; 57 total) ... named to BIG EAST weekly honor roll and *Top Drawer Soccer* national team of the week, after helping limit #6 West Virginia (3-1) and Pittsburgh to 8 shots, 3 shots on goal and 3 corner kicks ... picked up her only point of season in win over Pit (leftside cross on Bock's header).

AS A JUNIOR: Named NSCAA second team All-Great Lakes Region and third team all-BIG EAST while ranking second on 2005 team with 1,886 minutes played (75/gm) ... appeared in all 25 games (24 GS) ... three of her five assists were on corner-kick headers, with all her assists coming in big games ... key member of defense that allowed just 15 goals (0.60 GAA), 124 shots (5.0/gm), 54 shots on goal (2.2; 2nd in ND history) and 43 corner kicks (1.7) ... named to *Soccer America* and *Top Drawer Soccer* national teams of the week, after helping hold DePaul and #20 Michigan to no goals, five combined shots and a single corner kick ... named BIG EAST defensive player of the week after road wins at Rutgers (1-0, OT) and Seton Hall (7-0) that featured just one combined shot on goal ... an ND Classic all-tournament team pick, after wins over #11 Florida (4-1; 4 SOG) and #25 Maryland (6-0; 1 SOG, 1 CK) ... did not start versus Florida (illness) but impacted game after entering in 59th minute, racing down left flank and sending cross from corner for Katie Thorlakson's volley and 3-0 lead (4-1) ... sent a Thorlakson corner to Buczkowski for double-header goal (2-0) in 3-0 win over Michigan ... headed a Thorlakson corner off the crossbar versus #15 UConn, with Brittany Bock knocking in the rebound for 2-0 lead in BIG EAST title game (5-0) ... her cross led to Thorlakson's chip and Amanda Cinalli's opening goal versus Yale in NCAA third round (5-2) ... headed corner from Thorlakson to Bock in NCAA quarterfinal at top-ranked Portland, with that volley trimming Pilots' lead to 2-1 (3-1 final).

AS A SOPHOMORE: Third team all-BIG EAST and CoSIDA second team Academic All-District V selection who rated as most consistent defensive player for national champs ... started 23 games at left back while appearing in all 27, joining 10 teammates in setting ND record for games played ... both her goals came on corner-kick headers (as did both her scores on preseason Brazil trip) ... logged second-most minutes on team (2,209; 82/gm), behind Melissa Tancredi ... combined with center backs Tancredi and Gudrun Gunnarsdottir and right back Lorenzen for stout back line that allowed just 1.8 corner kicks/gm (2nd in ND record book), plus only 5.7 shots and 2.6 shots on goal per game (both 3rd in ND record book, at the time) ... helped

Irish lead nation in shutouts (16; then 3rd in ND history) and allow 0-1 goals in 25 games ... the 0.51 team GAA ranked fourth in nation and in ND history ... named to ND Classic all-tournament team after helping beat Stanford (1-0; 3 shots, 2 CKs) and Santa Clara (5-2) ... scored ND's quickest goal of 2004 (2:38, at West Virginia), after snapping a Thorlakson corner into the right side of the goal ... named BIG EAST defensive player of the week after helping limit Boston College to one shot on goal (1-0) ... logged all 110 minutes in scoreless tie with Rutgers ... second goal of season mirrored first, snapping Thorlakson's rightside corner kick back into right side for 2-0 lead on St. John's in BIG EAST quarterfinals (7-0) ... played entire game while helping hold BC to pair of shots on goal and one CK in BIG EAST semifinals (2-0) ... left BIG EAST title game in 64th minute due to leg injury that forced her to come off bench in NCAAs versus Eastern Illinois (4-0) and Wisconsin (1-0) ... closed final month as part of defense that allowed just a pair of goals, 32 shots, 13 SOG and 14 CKs in NCAAs ... played full game in NCAA wins over UConn, Portland, SCU and UCLA ... headed in Thorlakson's corner on preseason Brazil trip (1-1 game vs. Santana Una), also heading in a Claire Gallerano cross versus Guarani (3-0) ... that trip marked her return to Brazil, after completing high school project detailing the Flamengo club ... served as team's unofficial interpreter on Brazil trip, after taking Portugese courses at Notre Dame.

AS A FRESHMAN: Second team all-BIG EAST and BIG EAST rookie of the year ... opened at left back but settled in next to Tancredi as dominating pair of central defenders (after Gunnarsdottir's broken wrist) ... three-time BIG EAST rookie of the week ... appeared in 23 games (20 GS; 1G-3A) ... played lead role for defense that ranked 5th in nation with 0.49 GAA (4th with 15 shutouts), allowed just 53 shots on goal, had 10-game shutout streak (5th in NCAA history), logged ND-record 16 straight games without deficit and had 24 straight games without allowing multiple goals (tying ND record) ... defensive MVP of Santa Clara Classic, helping limit Stanford (0-0) and SCU (2-1) to three combined shots on goal ... Irish allowed just one goal in next 15 games (138 minutes without allowing a shot, vs. Butler and Georgetown) ... her right-side corner kick versus Miami (3-0) led to Boland's far-post header (1-0) ... her leftside corner set up first goal versus UConn (2-0), with Tancredi snapping header at far post and Thorlakson nudging ball into goal ... assisted at Pittsburgh (1-0) with long service on Boland's header ... scored on header in NCAA win over Loyola Chicago (5-0).

PREP & PERSONAL: Member of U.S. National Team program starting in 1998 ... a *Parade* ('02, '03) and NSCAA ('00, '01, '02) All-American ... member of ODP Region I team ('98-'03) and state ODP ('94-'03; '01 regional champs, '02 national champs) ... five-year starter at Germantown Academy (83-12-6) ... played with ODP at events throughout Europe ... 2002 Southeast Pa. player of the year ... all-state as senior captain and MVP ... three-year captain of F.C. Parkwood/Bucks Challenge club that won four state titles (2000-03) and 2003 regional title (PKs vs. Prince William Strikers), also regional runner-up in 2000 and '02 ... scored on two headers in 2000 state cup final ... named to USYS u-18 All-America team ('01) ... played with USYS u-17 all-stars ... started playing soccer at age five ... ran 4x400 relay that set school record (track team captain) ... talented swimmer before focusing on soccer in 8th grade ... pursued month-long senior project in Brazil (May '03), staying with a family in Rio and compiling photo-journal report that chronicled Brazil's passion for "futbol" and operations of Flamengo soccer club ... her sister Julie was midfielder at Pennsylvania while her sister Laurie was diver/water polo player at Wesleyan ... daughter of David and Susan Shaner ... Christie Robinson Shaner ... born Sept. 7, 1984, in North Wales, Pa.

Shaner's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	23/20	11	1	3	5	0
2004	27/23	16	2	0	4	0
2005	25/24	20	0	5	5	0
2006	25/23	20	0	1	1	0
Totals	100/90	67	3	9	15	0

Postseason: 2G-3A in 27 GP/25 GS
(1G-2A in 16 GP/14 GS during NCAAs)





Kim Lorenzen #4

Class of 2007 • Defender
Naperville, Illinois • Naperville North H.S.
NSCAA First Team Scholar All-American (2006)
BIG EAST Tournament Defensive MVP (2006)
2006 Team Captain (2006)
Notre Dame Kanaley Leadership Award (2007)

Lorenzen's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	23/20	7	0	0	0	0
2004	27/21	33	3	4	10	1
2005	19/18	4	0	0	0	0
2006	26/26	2	0	1	1	0
Totals	95/85	46	3	5	11	1

*Postseason: 2G-2A in 29 GS
 (1G-1A in 15 G8 during NCAAs)*



Lizzie Reed #15

Class of 2007 • Forward
Franklin Lakes, N.J. • Ramapo Reg. H.S.
Third Team All-BIG EAST (2005)

Reed's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	23/8	17	2	1	5	0
2004	27/10	26	1	2	4	0
2005	22/3	19	2	3	7	0
2006	18/0	15	2	3	7	0
Totals	90/21	77	7	9	23	0

Valuable defender (central and right back), with versatility and athleticism to play midfield or forward ... served as rare solo captain in 2006 (second in program's history, first since '88) ... underrated player and strong leader known for workrate and competitiveness ... part of winningest class (92-8-3) in program's history (not out-shot until final game) ... totaled 95 career games played (16th in ND history), 85 starts (3 goals, 4 assists) ... combined with ND teammates Jen Buczkowski, Jill Krivacek and Brittany Bock on '03 Illinois ODP team (national champs) ... played with Buczkowski and Krivacek on Sockers and Eclipse Select (narrowly missed '04 u-19 national-title game) ... teamed with several ND players on W-League's Ft. Wayne Fever (summer '04) ... graduated with 3.55 cumulative GPA, as finance major.

AS A SENIOR: Starting center back (26 GP) who captained runner-up season (25-1-1; 2nd on team with 2,096 minutes, 78/gm) ... NSCAA first team Scholar All-American ... received team's Rockne Student-Athlete Award ... named to BIG EAST weekly honor roll three times ... defensive MVP of BIG EAST Tournament, after wins over St. John's (3-0), Marquette (2-0) and #19 Rutgers (4-2) ... helped Irish lead nation in shutouts (19/ND record; 7th in NCAA history), rank third in goals-against avg. (0.40) and set ND record for fewest shots on goal allowed (2.11/gm; 57 total) ... overcame loss of center back Carrie Dew (injured in gm-18), quickly helping freshman Haley Ford step in for postseason ... her stellar marking and reactions helped beat #5 Florida State in NCAA semifinals (2-1) ... received ND's Byron Kanaley Award, given to exemplary student-athlete leaders.

AS A JUNIOR: Appeared in 19 games (18 GS; dnp in six due to illness) ... prior to final loss to top-ranked Portland, the Irish were 17-0 in '05 games that she started (87-4 scoring; 27 shots allowed/1.6 per gm) ... key member of defense that allowed just 15 goals (0.60 GAA), 124 shots (5.0/gm), 54 shots on goal (2.2; 2nd ND history) and 43 corners (1.7) ... defense's top efforts included 4-1 win over #11 Florida (4 SOG) and 5-0 BIG EAST final versus #15 UConn (6 SOG, 1 CK).

Utility player whose 21 career starts included seven at forward, nine in midfield and five as outside back ... high-energy player and top ball-winner who totaled 23 career points (7 goals, 9 assists) in 90 games played ... split time in summer of '04 with W-League's N.J. Lady Stallions and Dallas Texans club (guest player) ... helped Texans reach u-19 regional final ... received Eugene Fanning Scholarship from Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business before graduating with a 3.38 cumulative GPA, as a finance major.

AS A SENIOR: Appeared in 18 games as one of team's top reserve forwards (2G-3A) ... scored in opening win over Iowa State (9-0) ... assisted on a Michele Weissenhofer goal before scoring to cap the 5-0 win at DePaul ... assisted on final two goals (by Susan Pinnick and Weissenhofer) in NCAA opening win over Oakland (7-1).

AS A JUNIOR: Named third team all-BIG EAST (22 GP/3 GS; 2G-3A) ... combined with Maggie Manning and Pinnick to form dangerous second wave of forwards (all her starts came in midfield) ... assisted on Manning goals in early wins over New Hampshire (11-1) and Vermont (6-0) ... scored on far-post shot into upper-right corner for 2-0 lead on Seton Hall (7-0) ... also scored in 6-0 win over Providence and assisted on a Kerri Hanks trap-and-volley score that clinched BIG EAST semifinal win over Marquette (3-0).

AS A SOPHOMORE: Combined with 10 teammates to set ND record for games played (27; 10 GS; 1G-2A) ... picked up assist after sending pass back to Kim Lorenzen, who drilled 25-yard crossing shot from right side for gamewinner at

AS A SOPHOMORE: Joined 10 teammates in setting ND record for games played (27), starting 21 at mostly right back for national champs (25-1-1; 3G-4A; 5th on team with 2,009 minutes) ... combined with center backs Melissa Tancredi and Gudrun Gunnarsdottir and left back Christie Shaner for stout back line that allowed just 1.8 corners/gm (2nd ND history) and 5.7 shots/gm (3rd) while leading nation with 16 shutouts (4th with 0.51 GAA) ... her long ball set up Amanda Cinalli's goal (2-0) versus Baylor (7-2) ... her skipping cross into the box helped end rare deficit in 3-1 win over Pittsburgh (goal by Tancredi) ... scored 75th-minute gamewinner at West Virginia (3-1), on 25-yard far-post shot into left side of net (2-1) ... her volley assisted on Buczkowski's 80th-minute goal to beat Boston College (1-0) ... played forward for much of BIG EAST quarterfinal versus St. John's (7-0), slotting ball to set up a Katie Thorlakson goal before scoring from right side ... hustled for tap-in of Thorlakson's left-endline cross in NCAAs versus Eastern Illinois (3-0; 4-0 final) ... part of defense that allowed just pair of goals, 32 shots, 13 shots on goal and 14 corners in NCAAs.

AS A FRESHMAN: Shifted to right back in place of injured All-American Candace Chapman, appearing in 23 games (20 GS) ... helped defense rank fifth in nation with 0.49 GAA (only 53 shots on goal) ... named all-tournament at ND Classic, after helping limit Arizona State and Oklahoma to six shots on goal and four corner kicks ... scored in 2004 spring versus Wisconsin-Milwaukee (3-0).

PREP & PERSONAL: Helped Illinois ODP win '03 nationals in Plano, Texas (1-0 final vs. N.J. team with ND classmate Lizzie Reed) ... also 2001 ODP national runner-up ... did not play high school soccer as a senior, while training with Sockers ('03 state runner-up) ... starting defender/forward at Naperville North (2000 sectional champs; state 3rd-place in '01; sectional runner-up in '02) ... two-year member of ODP Region II ('02 national runner-up), five-year member of ODP state team ... lettered twice on basketball team ... daughter of Michael and Carol Lorenzen ... Kim Marie Lorenzen ... born May 4, 1985, in Hinsdale, Ill.

West Virginia (3-1) ... swept ball off goal line to deny future national teamer Carli Lloyd in scoreless tie with Rutgers ... helped score three goals in span of 1:18 versus St. John's in BIG EAST quarterfinal ... scored when Katie Thorlakson's leftside corner kick grazed off her head and later sent pass down right side to Lorenzen (who slotted ball to Thorlakson for sixth goal in 7-0 win over SJU).

AS A FRESHMAN: Appeared in 23 (8 GS; 2G-1A), with two starts in midfield, five in the defense and one at forward ... her cross from right flank led to Buczkowski's goal in 5-1 win over Oklahoma ... scored on 30-yard strike versus North Texas (8-1) ... sent home loose ball from six yards out for final cushion in 2-0 win over Connecticut.

PREP & PERSONAL: Second all-time leading goalscorer (128) and two-time NSCAA All-American at Ramapo Regional HS ... leading scorer all four seasons (team-record 34G as junior; 26G-12A as senior state player of the year) ... helped nationally-ranked team win '99 state title ... member of u-14/u-16 national team pools ... selected for McDonald's All-America Classic ... active in Region I ODP pool and state ODP from '99-'03 ('01-'03 regional champs) ... lost 2003 ODP title to Illinois team led by ND teammates Buczkowski, Lorenzen, Jill Krivacek and Brittany Bock (1-0; Plano, Texas) ... played with seven-time state champs Wyckoff/PDA Torpedoes and World Class club ('03 state champs) ... scored both goals in 2002 state cup final ... brother Greg Reed played for Haverford College soccer team ... daughter of William and Katherine Reed ... Elizabeth Regan Reed ... born April 13, 1985, in Englewood, N.J.

Graduated Letterwinners



Claire Gallerano #28

Class of 2007 • Midfielder
Dallas, Texas • Ursuline Academy

Tenacious defensive midfielder who received Notre Dame athletics department's 2007 Chris Zorich Award for community service excellence ... served on Notre Dame's Student-Athlete Advisory Council in 2006-07 ... combined with future ND teammate Kerri Hanks on Dallas Texans '85s club that won 2003 USYS under-18 national title ... teamed with ND classmate Lizzie Reed on Texans squad that won 2004 state cup (u-19 regional finalist) ... attending law school in St. Louis, at Washington University, after graduating with a 3.61 cumulative GPA (American studies major).

WITH THE IRISH: Appeared in 49 career games, with five starts ... logged 13 games as a senior in 2006 while posting only points of her career, with a goal in opener versus Iowa State (9-0) and assist in hometown win over SMU (3-0); goal by Molly Iarocci) ... her career-high 17 games played in 2005 included starts versus Vermont (6-0), South Florida (4-0), Seton Hall (7-0) and Providence (6-0) ... key reserve a sophomore member of 2004 national champs (13 GP), with home-state start at Texas Tech (3-0) ... had three assists on '04 preseason trip to Brazil ... appeared in six games as a freshman (2003) and scored in 2004 spring game versus Western Michigan (4-1).

PREP & PERSONAL: Twice named all-state at Ursuline Academy, helping set school record with 111-game unbeaten streak (nationally-ranked with four state titles) ... senior team captain ... seven-year member of elite Dallas Texans club team (1997-2003) that beat Minnesota-based Tsunami in 2003 national title game (2-0) ... represented Texas at 2002 National Young Leaders Conference (Washington, D.C.) ... daughter of Jake and Lisa Gallerano ... full name is Claire Elise Gallerano ... born Nov. 15, 1984, in Dallas.

Gallerano's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	6/0	2	0	0	0	0
2004	13/1	5	0	0	0	0
2005	17/4	6	0	0	0	0
2006	13/1	3	1	1	3	0
Totals	49/6	16	1	1	3	0



Molly Iarocci #23

Class of 2007 • Forward
Carefree, Arizona • Xavier Prep

Speedy frontrunner who ranked as one of the team's most improved players in her career, after not beginning to play soccer until high school ... played during 2006 summer season with the W-League's San Diego Gauchos (as mostly a flank midfielder) ... first Arizona native to monogram with Notre Dame women's soccer program ... graduated with a 3.61 cumulative grade-point average, as management entrepreneurship major.

WITH THE IRISH: Appeared in 38 career games, with 10 points (3G-4A) ... her senior season in 2006 included career-high totals in games played (14), goals (2) and assists (2) ... assisted on Michele Weissenhofer's goal in 2006 opener vs. Iowa State (9-0), scored to cap 3-0 win at SMU, and combined with Susan Pinnick to assist on each other's goals in NCAAAs vs. Oakland (7-1) ... her six games played in 2005 included assists on goals by Lizzie Reed (vs. Providence; 6-0) and Becca Mendoza (vs. Georgetown; 6-1) ... scored key goal versus San Diego (2-1) in 2006 spring season ... logged 10 games as a sophomore during 2004 NCAA title season, with season-high 56 minutes in home-state win at Arizona State (2-1), ... her freshman season in 2003 (8 GP) included knocking in an Annie Scheffer corner kick versus Oklahoma (5-1) ... scored twice in 2004 spring season.

PREP & PERSONAL: State player of the year as a senior at Xavier Prep ... played volleyball and softball as a freshman ... helped win 2002 state title ('03 runner-up) ... played for 2001 and '02 state ODP team and Sereno Eagles club that won three state titles (2001-03; '02, '03 Region IV finalist) ... student body vice-president ... her father Tony Iarocci ('75) earned three letters as a Notre Dame baseball catcher ... her brother T.J. played baseball at Tulane while brother Andy plays soccer at Gonzaga ... her sister Emily is a 2005 Notre Dame graduate ... great uncle Arthur Jehle ('52) and cousin Eve Jehle ('78) also are ND grads ... daughter of Tony and Diann Iarocci ... Molly Margaret Iarocci ... born July 3, 1985, in Phoenix.

Iarocci's Career Statistics

Year	GP/GS	Sh	G	A	Pts	GW
2003	6/0	2	0	0	0	0
2004	10/0	10	0	0	0	0
2005	6/0	10	0	2	2	0
2006	14/0	10	2	2	6	0
Totals	38/0	32	3	4	10	0



Nikki Westfall #0

Class of 2007 • Goalkeeper
Waterville, Ohio • Anthony Wayne H.S.

Athletic goalkeeper who served as quality backup throughout her career ... also gained quality playing experience during the summer of 2005, when she split time with the W-League's Cleveland Internationals and the Women's Premier Soccer League's F.C. Indiana team ... a penalty-kick specialist whose two saves in the WPSL title-game shootout included stopping a shot by former U.S. National Team star Brandi Chastain ... served as top 'keeper for F.C. Indiana team that went 18-1-0 overall in summer of '05, winning both the WPSL title and the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup ... returned to F.C. Indiana in summer of 2006, again playing alongside several ND teammates ... 2004 first summer with Internationals in '04 (1.30 GAA, 9 GA, 36 SV) ... graduated from Notre Dame in seven semesters, with a 3.47 cumulative GPA as a double major in entrepreneurship and Spanish.

WITH THE IRISH: Compiled a 0.18 goals-against average in first three seasons with Irish, allowing one goal while making nine saves in 485 minutes (13 shared shutouts, plus a solo) ... did not play as a senior in 2006, due to nagging injuries ... had five shutout appearances in 2005 (196 minutes, 3 saves), including solo shutout of South Florida (3-0; 3 SV) ... did not allow a goal in six appearances during 2004 NCAA title season (128 minutes; 2 saves) ... made several key saves in 2004 preseason wins on Brazil trip (1-0 vs. Motorola; 3-0 vs. Guarani) ... served as Erika Bohn's primary backup as a freshman in 2003 (0.56 GAA; 7 GP; 4 SV) ... played entire second half in 2003 NCAA win over Loyola Chicago (5-0) ... went on to be top 'keeper (with Bohn injured) during 2004 spring season (5-1-1 record; 5 GA).

PREP & PERSONAL: All-conference, team captain and MVP as senior at Anthony Wayne High School ... set school record for shutouts in season (15, as sophomore) ... posted 0.88 career GAA (state-best 0.76 as senior) ... played for Pacesetters club and ODP 2001 state team ... daughter of Neil and Roberta Westfall ... full name is Nicole Stiles Westfall ... born July 1, 1985, in Toledo, Ohio.

Westfall's Career Stats (injured in 2006)

Year	GP/GS	SV	GA	Min.	GAA	ShO	W-L-T
2003	7/0	4	1	161:24	0.56	0 (4)	0-0-0
2004	6/0	2	0	125:59	0.00	0 (6)	0-0-0
2005	5/1	3	0	195:09	0.00	1 (3)	1-0-0
Totals	18/1	9	1	484:32	0.31	1 (13)	1-0-0



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