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2005-06 ND Women's Basketball: Game 1

#15/16 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (0-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST) vs. Michigan Wolverines (1-1 / 0-0 Big Ten)

◆ DATE: November 18, 2005	◆ RADIO: ESPN Radio 1580 AM
◆ TIME: 9:00 p.m. ET	WNDV 1490 AM
◆ AT: Notre Dame, Ind.	Sean Stires, p-b-p
Joyce Center (11,418)	Sara Liebscher, color
◆ SERIES: Tied 6-6	◆ LIVE STATS: www.und.com
◆ 1ST MTG: 1/20/79 (UM 93-66)	◆ TV: none
◆ LAST MTG: 12/2/01 (UM 78-63)	◆ TICKETS: (574) 631-7356



2005-06 Schedule

0-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST

N1	Indianapolis (exhibition)	W, 84-59
N10	Ferris State (exhibition)	W, 96-45
N18	(15/16) Michigan	9:00 ET
N20	@ Western Michigan ^{CL}	2:00 ET
N23	@ Indiana	7:00 ET
N27	USC ^{CL}	2:00 ET
N29	Iona	7:00 ET
D4	@ Wisconsin	1:30 CT
D7	@ Purdue	7:00 ET
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹	2:30 PT
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹	Noon/2:30 PT
D28	Valparaiso	2:00 ET
D31	Tennessee ^{CSTV}	2:00 ET
J4	• @ St. John's	7:00 ET
J7	• Seton Hall	1:00 ET
J10	• Marquette	7:00 ET
J14	• @ Louisville	1:00 ET
J17	• DePaul ^{CSTV}	7:30 ET
J21	• @ Georgetown	4:00 ET
J24	• @ Rutgers ^{CSTV}	7:30 ET
J28	• South Florida	Noon ET
J31	• @ Syracuse	7:30 ET
F4	• Providence	1:00 ET
F7	• Villanova ^{ESPNU}	6:00 ET
F12	• @ DePaul ^{ESPNU}	4:00 CT
F19	• Connecticut ^{ESPNU}	7:00 ET
F22	• @ West Virginia	7:00 ET
F25	• @ Cincinnati ^{BETV}	2:00 ET
F28	• Pittsburgh	7:00 ET
M4	BIG EAST First Round ²	TBD
M5	BIG EAST Quarterfinals ²	TBD
M6	BIG EAST Semifinals ²	6/8:00 ET
M7	BIG EAST Championship ²	7:30 ET
M18	NCAA First Round ³	TBD
M19		
M20	NCAA Second Round ³	TBD
M21		
M25	NCAA Regional Semifinals ⁴	TBD
M26		
M27	NCAA Regional Finals ⁴	TBD
M28		
A2	NCAA National Semifinals ⁵	7/9:30 ET
A4	NCAA Championship Game ⁵	8:30 ET

Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame tips off its 2005-06 season Friday vs. Michigan. The Irish are 20-8 in season openers, including a 15-3 mark in the **Muffet McGraw** era and have won their last 10 lidlifters.
- ◆ McGraw goes after her 500th career victory Friday vs. Michigan. She would be the 27th NCAA Division I coach to reach that milestone and the 10th to do so before age 50.

The No. 15/16 Notre Dame women's basketball team opens its 29th season of varsity action Friday at 9 p.m. (ET) vs. Michigan at the Joyce Center. The Irish have eight monogram winners, including three starters, back from last year's 27-6 club that rose to third in the national rankings, won the Preseason WNIT and made the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Notre Dame rolled through its two exhibition games this year, defeating NCAA Division II foes Indianapolis (84-59) and Ferris State (96-45). Senior All-America guard **Megan Duffy** averaged a team-high 21.0 ppg. in the preseason.

Michigan (1-1) opened its season last weekend at the Women's Sports Foundation Challenge in Eugene, Ore., losing to No. 21/20 Temple (65-48) and defeating St. Francis (Pa.) (80-52).

Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is 15th in the Associated Press poll and 16th in the ESPN/USA Today poll.
- ◆ Michigan is unranked.

Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.und.com>
- ◆ Michigan: <http://www.mgoblue.com>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>
- ◆ Big Ten: <http://www.bigten.org>

Setting The Standard

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

In its history, Notre Dame has developed eight All-Americans, eight WNBA players (including five draft picks in the past five years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 29th season in 2005-06, the Irish own an all-time record of **575-254 (.694)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

- Saint Joseph's '77
- ◆ 19th season at Notre Dame
 - 411-155 (.726) at Notre Dame.
 - 499-196 (.718) in 24 years as head coach.
 - 200-38 (.840) at Joyce Center.

NOTES

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

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup (2004-05 stats listed)

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
34	Crystal Erwin	F	6-2	Jr.	5.3	3.8	0.9 apg	• 12 points in 2nd exhib. vs. Ferris St.
33	Melissa D'Amico	C	6-5	So.	1.9	1.4	0.5 bpg	• 16.0 ppg., 7.5 rpg. in exhibition play
1	Tulyah Gaines	G	5-7	So.	2.4	2.0	1.1 apg	• 5.5 apg. (2nd tm) in 2005 exhibitions
13	Megan Duffy (C)	G	5-7	Sr.	12.3	3.1	5.4 apg	• Preseason All-American/All-BIG EAST
24	Lindsay Schrader	G	6-0	Fr.	—	—	—	• 16.0 ppg., 25 min/gm during preseason

Off the Bench For the Irish

2	Charel Allen	G	5-11	So.	7.7	4.2	1.4 apg	• Continues recovery from ACL surgery
11	Amanda Tsipis	G	5-9	So.	0.5	0.1	0.1 apg	• Solid perimeter threat (4.0 ppg. in exhib)
14	Brittney Bolden	G	5-7	Fr.	—	—	—	• Walk-on added to roster in preseason
21	Chandrica Smith	F	6-1	Fr.	—	—	—	• 3-3 FG, 6 pts. in only exhib. vs. Indy
22	Christine Trezza	F	6-0	Fr.	—	—	—	• Preseason walk-on; 1 pt. vs. Ferris St.
32	Breona Gray	G	5-9	Jr.	5.5	3.3	1.6 apg	• 7 pts. in 20 min. off bench vs. FSU
41	Courtney LaVere (C)	F	6-3	Sr.	7.5	3.9	1.0 bpg	• Veteran logged 8.0 ppg. in exhibitions

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

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

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

All times local to site and subject to change





A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

Balance and chemistry will be the two main ingredients as Notre Dame looks to build upon last year's successful 27-6 season that saw the Irish win the Preseason WNIT, rise to No. 3 in the national polls and advance to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

With the graduation of 2004-05 BIG EAST Player of the Year and All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast, as well as rugged and dependable center Teresa Borton, Notre Dame will have a large infusion of youth on its roster, as eight of its 12 players are underclassmen (four freshmen, four sophomores). However, the team is in more than capable hands, as senior point guard and two-time captain **Megan Duffy** returns to run the Irish offense. Duffy spent the summer as a co-captain on the USA World University Games Team that won a gold medal and went unbeaten in Izmir, Turkey, and she hopes to use the lessons she learned on the international stage to help her take the Irish to grand heights in 2005-06.

Notre Dame has been ranked in the top 25 by every major media outlet, including a No. 15 preseason ranking in the Associated Press poll and a current No. 16 slot in the ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll (after being ranked 15th in the preseason balloting). Other outlets have placed the Irish anywhere from 15th (*Athlon Sports* and Women's Basketball News Service) to 22nd (*Basketball Times*).

Notre Dame looked sharp at times during its two exhibition victories against NCAA Division II foes Indianapolis (84-59) and Ferris State (96-45). As a team, the Irish averaged 90.0 points per game, shot 52 percent from the floor (66-127), connected at a 55-percent clip from the three-point line (11-20), held a +12.5 rebound margin and forced 25.5 turnovers per game (highlighted by 18.5 steals a night).

As expected, Duffy led the way for Notre Dame in the preseason, collecting 21.0 points, 6.0 assists, 5.5 rebounds and 4.0 steals per game with a .625 field goal percentage (15-24) and a .615 three-point ratio (8-13). Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader**, a 2005 consensus prep All-American and the reigning Illinois Miss Basketball, made solid contributions with 16.0 points per game on a .560 field goal percentage (14-25). Meanwhile, sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** showed flashes of the improvement she has made during the summer and gave Irish fans hope for another strong post presence this season, averaging 16.0 points and a team-high 7.5 rebounds per game with a .522 field goal percentage (12-23).

Potent Notables About The Fighting Irish

- Notre Dame's No. 15 preseason ranking in both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls marks the ninth time in the past 10 seasons the Irish have appeared in both preseason surveys. In addition, it's the seventh consecutive year in which Notre Dame has been ranked 16th or better to open the campaign.
- The Irish have won 54 of their last 57 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season. However, all three of the losses in that span have come against Big Ten Conference opponents (Wisconsin in 1996, Purdue in 2003, Michigan State in 2004).
- The Irish defense continues to be its calling card. In each of the past six seasons, Notre Dame has held its opponents to an average of less than 62 points per game, including a 56.8 ppg. mark last year, which ranked as the third-lowest opponent scoring average in school history and second-best of the Muffet McGraw era (55.8 ppg. in 2000-01).
- The Irish have posted 37 wins over top 25 opponents in the past seven seasons (1998-99 to present), an average of more than five per year. In each of the past two years, Notre Dame has set a school record with seven regular-season wins over ranked opponents.
- Entering Friday's game with Michigan, the Irish have welcomed crowds of 5,000 or more fans to 65 of their last 67 home games. The only two blemishes on that mark came in the semifinals and finals of last year's Preseason WNIT, because tickets for those games could not be included in the Notre

Covering the Irish

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Media Services

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

Official Notre Dame athletics web site:

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

In-Season Interview Policy

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

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

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

Credentials / Parking

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

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

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

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

Game Notes

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

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

Gameday Services

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

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

Post-Game Press Conferences

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach Muffet McGraw and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Joyce Center auditorium, located adjacent to Gate 1 on the first floor of the arena.

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

LAST IRISH GAME

Notre Dame 96, Ferris State 45
Exhibition Game #2
November 10, 2005
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Ferris State (45)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Thwing	23	4-7	0-0	2-2	4	0	4	10
McLaughlin	13	1-5	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	2
Folcik	14	3-9	0-0	0-0	3	1	2	6
Miller	32	6-11	2-6	0-0	4	1	1	14
Reinhart	23	2-8	1-1	0-0	2	2	2	5
Loosvelt	20	1-6	0-3	1-2	2	0	3	3
Hutchison	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Thelen	10	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Johns	17	0-3	0-3	0-0	2	0	2	0
Freshour	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	3	0
Guay	15	1-4	0-0	1-2	1	0	1	3
Deyo	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Fleming	15	1-2	0-0	0-0	4	2	3	2
Team					7			
Totals	200	19-58	3-15	4-6	31	8	27	45

Notre Dame (96)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Erwin	25	3-5	0-0	6-7	3	1	1	12
D'Amico	29	5-11	0-0	6-8	8	0	1	16
Gaines	14	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	5	3	4
Duffy	28	8-11	4-5	4-4	7	5	2	24
Schrader	22	8-12	0-0	3-5	4	2	3	19
Allen	21	0-6	0-0	3-4	7	4	0	3
Tsipis	12	1-4	1-2	1-2	1	1	1	4
Bolden	6	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Trezza	5	0-0	0-0	1-2	2	0	0	1
Gray	20	2-4	2-2	1-2	3	3	0	7
LaVere	18	2-3	0-0	2-2	6	1	1	6
Team					2			
Totals	200	31-61	7-9	27-36	45	22	13	96

Ferris State 24 21 -- 45
Notre Dame 41 55 -- 96

FG Pct: Ferris State 32.8, Notre Dame 50.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Ferris State 20.0, Notre Dame 77.8. **FT Pct:** Ferris State 66.7, Notre Dame 75.0. **Turnovers:** Ferris State 30, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** Ferris State 2, Notre Dame 7 (D'Amico 3). **Steals:** Ferris State 7 (Thwing 3), Notre Dame 24 (Duffy 5). **Attendance:** 5,421.

ND Opponent PPG Since 1999-2000

2004-05	56.8
2003-04	58.5
2002-03	61.2
2001-02	57.8
2000-01	55.8*
1999-00	61.9
6-year avg.	58.6 ppg.
* = McGraw-era record	





Current Standings

	Overall		BIG EAST	
	W	L	W	L
(9/7) Connecticut	2	0	0	0
◆(15/16) NOTRE DAME	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	0
(18/18) DePaul	0	0	0	0
Georgetown	0	0	0	0
Louisville	0	0	0	0
Marquette	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	0
Providence	0	0	0	0
(5/6) Rutgers	0	0	0	0
St. John's	0	0	0	0
Seton Hall	0	0	0	0
South Florida	0	0	0	0
Syracuse	0	0	0	0
Villanova	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	0	0	0	0

Through games of Nov. 16

(n) Ranking in Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls

Player of the Week

Selections to begin Nov. 21

Freshman of the Week

Selections to begin Nov. 21

Upcoming BIG EAST Contests

Nov. 17

Boston College at Connecticut (WNIT) 7:30p

Nov. 18

West Virginia vs. UT-San Antonio (@UCF) 3:30p
 Marquette at Evansville 5:00p
 Pittsburgh vs. William & Mary (@Vermont) 6:00p
 Boston University at St. John's 7:00p
 Sacred Heart at Providence 7:00p
 Syracuse at Manhattan 7:00p
 Villanova at Marist 7:00p
 Harvard at DePaul 8:30p
Michigan at Notre Dame 9:00p

Nov. 19

St. Francis (Pa.) at Cincinnati 2:00p
 NY/NJ Gazelles at Rutgers (*exhib.*) 2:00p
 Texas-Arlington at South Florida 4:00p
 Florida at Seton Hall 5:00p
 West Virginia at Central Florida 6:00p
 Pittsburgh at Vermont/vs. Colgate 6:00/8:00p
 Alabama State/UNLV at DePaul 6:30/8:30p

Nov. 20

Connecticut vs. TBD (Preseason WNIT Final) TBD
 UC Santa Barbara at Louisville Noon
 St. John's at Army 1:00p
 Syracuse at Buffalo 1:00p
Notre Dame at Western Michigan 2:00p
 Tennessee-Martin at South Florida 2:00p
 Georgetown at Savannah State 2:00p
 Villanova at Penn State 2:00p
 Oakland at Marquette 3:00p
 St. Francis (N.Y.) at Seton Hall 4:00p

Nov. 21

Yale at Providence 7:00p

Nov. 22

Akron at Pittsburgh 7:00p

all times Eastern and subject to change

Around the BIG EAST

Dame season ticket package and had to be purchased separately.

- Senior guard **Megan Duffy** has been named a preseason All-American by three sources, has been cited on the preseason watch lists for both the State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy and the John R. Wooden Women's Award, and recently was tabbed as one of the top five point guards in the nation by ESPN.com. Duffy also was a preseason all-BIG EAST Conference selection, following up her first-team all-league citation last year.
- Head coach **Muffet McGraw** needs one victory to become the 27th coach in NCAA Division I women's basketball history to reach the 500-win mark. Should that milestone win come prior to Dec. 5, McGraw also would be the 10th Division I coach to earn her 500th victory prior to age 50.

A Quick Look At Michigan

Building a successful women's basketball program starts with a healthy foundation. At Michigan, the Wolverines have that strong base, thanks to the arrival of head coach **Cheryl Burnett**, who came to Ann Arbor 2003-04 following a successful 15-year run at Southwest Missouri State. UM has had to endure some growing pains during Burnett's first two seasons at the helm, including a 5-23 campaign last year, but the Wolverines appear to have been fortified by those struggles and ready to return to contention in the Big Ten Conference.

Michigan (1-1) got a head start on the 2005-06 season last weekend, splitting its two games at the Women's Sports Foundation Challenge in Eugene, Ore. The Wolverines opened up with a 65-48 loss to one of last year's feel-good stories, No. 21/20 Temple. However, UM then bounced back well with an 80-52 conquest of St. Francis (Pa.) in the consolation game of the tournament. In that second contest, the Wolverines raced out to a 52-16 halftime lead and cruised to their first win of the young season, tying a school record by making 30 free throws (on 35 attempts) in the victory.

Freshman center/forward **Stephany Skrba** wasted little time in making herself known on the college level, averaging 13.5 points and 6.0 rebounds per game with a .529 field goal percentage (9-17) last week to earn all-tournament team honors and recognition as the year's first Big Ten Player of the Week. Another freshman, guard **Jessica Minnfield**, also posted a double-figure scoring average last week, collecting 10.5 points per game, sparked by a 3-of-5 effort from the three-point arc.

Now in her third season at Michigan and 18th season as a college head coach, Burnett owns a sharp 339-177 (.657) career record, and a 20-41 (.328) mark with the Wolverines. Friday's game is Burnett's second all-time against Notre Dame — her Southwest Missouri State team lost to the Irish, 78-64 in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament on March 13, 1998 in Lubbock, Texas.

The Notre Dame-Michigan Series

Notre Dame and Michigan are slated to meet

for the 13th time on Friday night, with each side having won six of the first 12 contests in the series. This will be the seventh series matchup at the Joyce Center, where the Irish hold a 5-1 edge, having won the past five home games against the Wolverines since UM claimed a 66-60 overtime victory at the Joyce Center on Dec. 8, 1979, one season before Notre Dame elevated its program from AIAW Division III to Division I status.

The Notre Dame-Michigan series dates back nearly 20 years to the infancy of the Irish women's basketball program. The Wolverines won the first three games between the two schools, twice in Ann Arbor and scoring 90+ points in both games at Crisler Arena. However, Notre Dame came back to win its next three meetings with Michigan, limiting the Wolverines to less than 60 points in all three victories.

After playing one another in eight consecutive seasons from 1978-79 through 1985-86, the series went on a five-year hiatus before a two-year resumption in 1991-92 and 1992-93 (both games won by the home team). Since then, Notre Dame and Michigan have met just twice, both in tournament settings, with the Irish earning an 88-54 victory in the second round of the 2001 NCAA Tournament, and the Wolverines winning the last matchup, 78-63, on Dec. 2, 2001 at the Women's College Basketball Showcase in Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Last Time ND And Michigan Met

Notre Dame fell to 2-3 on the 2001-02 season following a 78-63 loss to No. 16/17 Michigan on Dec. 2, 2001 in the Women's College Basketball Showcase at Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** poured in a team-high 19 points and freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** added 17 points and nine rebounds to secure BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Week honors. Sophomore guard **Jeneka Joyce** also turned in a solid performance with 11 points.

Notre Dame jumped out to an early 7-4 lead, thanks to seven quick points from Batteast. Michigan rallied to take the lead, but Ratay's bucket pulled the Irish within 10-9 at the 14:34 mark of the first half. From there, the Wolverines set Notre Dame on its heels, going on a 28-10 run over the next 10:35 to take a 19-point lead.

The Irish scored the first six points of the second half to pull within 45-33 with 17:54 left. But, Michigan guard Alayne Ingram responded with her third three-point field goal of the game and the Wolverines held Notre Dame in check the rest of the way. Ingram finished with a game-high 22 points and LeeAnn Bies added 18 points and 12 rebounds to pace four UM players who hit double digits in the scoring column.

The Last Time ND And Michigan Met At The Joyce Center

In front of the fourth-largest women's basketball crowd in Joyce Center history (9,597), second-ranked Notre Dame booked its fourth trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 in five years with an 88-54 victory over Michigan on March 19, 2001.





Senior All-America center **Ruth Riley** led a quartet of Irish players in double figures with 21 points, connecting on 8-of-11 shots from the floor, to go along with seven rebounds. Senior forward **Kelley Siemon** added 16 points, six rebounds and five assists, while freshman guard **Jeneka Joyce** came off the bench to pump in 14 points, knocking down 4-of-8 three-point attempts in the game. Raina Goodlow led Michigan with 16 points, while Stephanie Gandy and Jennifer Smith both ended up with 10 points.

Six first-half three-pointers, three each from Joyce and sophomore guard **Alicia Ratay**, helped the Irish pull out to a 44-28 halftime lead. Joyce nailed a trey at the horn to help build up Notre Dame's largest margin to that point.

Michigan, which had made a name for itself during the 2000-01 season with a handful of second-half comebacks (including a 17-point rally in its NCAA opener vs. Virginia), watched the Irish use a 17-6 run to start the second half, as Notre Dame fashioned a 27-point advantage less than five minutes removed from the intermission. The lead ballooned to as much as 37 points prior to the final margin, as all 12 players on the Irish roster scored for the second consecutive NCAA contest.

The victory over Michigan was the second in a six-game streak for Notre Dame that would see the Irish go on to win their first NCAA championship. A full box score from the UM game can be found on page 165 of the Irish women's basketball media guide.

Other ND-Michigan Series Tidbits

- If history is a guide, Notre Dame's defensive effort could be a key indicator in the outcome of Friday's game. In their six victories over Michigan, the Irish have held the Wolverines to less than 60 points five times (only exception: 76-71 on Dec. 5, 1985 at the Joyce Center). Conversely, in UM's six series wins, it has tallied at least 75 points on five occasions (only exception: 66-60 in overtime on Dec. 8, 1979 at the Joyce Center).

ND vs. State of Mich.		
	Overall	Home
Adrian	0-1	0-0
CMU	0-1	0-1
Concordia	1-0	1-0
Detroit	22-2	12-0
EMU	2-0	1-0
◆MICH	6-6	5-1
MSU	4-8	2-4
Oakland	1-0	1-0
Spring Arbor	0-1	0-0
WMU	7-0	5-0
TOTAL	43-19	27-6
	(.694)	(.818)

- Notre Dame is 43-19 (.694) all-time against Michigan schools, but hasn't defeated a team from the Wolverine State since Dec. 12, 2002 (a 71-48 win over Western Michigan at the Joyce Center).
- Notre Dame senior guard **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, Ohio/Chaminade-Julienne HS) and Michigan junior guard/forward **Kelly Helvey** (Toledo, Ohio/Central Catholic HS) are no strangers, having faced one another on several occasions during their high school and AAU careers back in Ohio. Incidentally, Helvey's alma mater, Toledo Central Catholic, also happens to be the same school that produced a key member of Notre Dame's 2001 NCAA championship team — guard/forward **Ericka Haney**.

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			05-06	All Time
Nov. 8, 2005	408	15	1	129
SEASON HIGHS	408	15		

ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			05-06	All Time
Nov. 1, 2005	288	15	1	120
Nov. 15, 2005	294	16	2	121
SEASON HIGHS	294	15		

- The states of Indiana and Michigan have produced more Notre Dame women's basketball players (14 each) than any other in the program's 29-year history. One of those Michigan natives on the all-time Irish roster is current Notre Dame associate head coach **Coquese Washington**, who grew up in Flint and played for the Irish from 1989-93 before embarking on a successful pro career in the American Basketball League (ABL) and Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA).
- While they didn't face one another at the time, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** and Michigan head coach **Cheryl Burnett** crossed paths at the 2001 NCAA Women's Final Four in St. Louis. McGraw was piloting the Irish to their first national championship, while Burnett had led Southwest Missouri State to its second Final Four appearance (the Lady Bears fell to Purdue in the national semifinals, 81-64).
- McGraw and Burnett both have ties to the now-defunct Women's Professional Basketball League (WBL) of the late 1970s-early 1980s. McGraw played with the California Dreams in 1979, while Burnett was a 1980 draft pick of the New Jersey Gems.

Notre Dame vs. The Big Ten Conference

The Irish are 29-43 (.403) all-time against Big Ten Conference teams, although Notre Dame is 17-14 (.548) at the Joyce Center vs. the Big Ten.

Michigan is the first of four Big Ten opponents on Notre Dame's 2005-06 schedule, with the remaining three games on the road (Nov. 23 @ Indiana; Dec. 4 @ Wisconsin; Dec. 7 @ Purdue). It's the first time the Irish will play four regular-season games against the Big Ten since the 1996-97 campaign — Notre Dame split those four contests (d. Iowa, 61-50; d. Indiana, 71-63; l. Purdue 73-58, l. Wisconsin, 81-69). The Irish did play four Big Ten teams in 2003-04, going 1-3, but the last of those was a 55-49 loss to Penn State in the NCAA Sweet 16.

ND vs. Big Ten		
	Overall	Home
ILL	1-4	1-1
IU	5-3	3-2
IOWA	1-0	0-0
◆MICH	6-6	5-1
MSU	4-8	2-4
MINN	0-1	0-1
NW	2-1	1-0
OSU	1-1	1-0
PSU	0-4	0-1
PUR	5-13	3-4
WIS	4-2	1-1
TOTAL	29-43	17-14
	(.403)	(.548)

National Polls

Associated Press Poll

• November 8, 2005: Poll #1 (Preseason)

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 Duke (17)	0-0	1,107	7
2 ◆Tennessee (23)	0-0	1,102	3
3 LSU (3)	0-0	1,025	2
4 Ohio State	0-0	997	8
5 ◆Rutgers	0-0	881	9
6 Baylor (1)	0-0	874	5
7 North Carolina	0-0	863	4
8 Georgia (1)	0-0	853	20
9 ◆Connecticut	0-0	802	10
10 Michigan State	0-0	727	6
11 Stanford	0-0	675	1
12 Texas	0-0	644	13
13 Texas Tech	0-0	601	14
14 Maryland	0-0	598	—
15 NOTRE DAME	0-0	408	11
16 Minnesota	0-0	344	12
17 Vanderbilt	0-0	341	18
18 ◆DePaul	0-0	335	17
19 ◆Purdue	0-0	297	—
20 Arizona State	0-0	271	—
21 Temple	0-0	215	15
22 ◆Utah	0-0	199	—
23 ◆North Carolina State	0-0	192	21
24 ◆USC	0-0	168	—
25 Oklahoma	0-0	143	—

Others Receiving Votes: UCLA 118, Boston College 59, Arizona 16, New Mexico 15, **◆Louisville 12**, Virginia Tech 10, Louisiana Tech 9, **◆Villanova 8**, Florida State 7, Kansas State 7, Wake Forest 6, George Washington 4, Western Kentucky 4, TCU 3, Iowa State 2, Xavier 2, Bowling Green 1, Kansas 1, Mississippi 1, Virginia 1.

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll

• November 15, 2005: Poll #2

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ◆Tennessee (22)	0-0	764	1
2 Duke (6)	0-0	737	2
3 LSU (1)	1-0	704	3
4 Ohio State (1)	0-0	673	4
5 Baylor	1-0	614	7
6 ◆Rutgers	0-0	600	5-tie
7 ◆Connecticut	2-0	571	9
8 North Carolina	0-0	568	8
9 Stanford (1)	0-0	488	10
10 Georgia	0-1	473	5-tie
11 Michigan State	0-0	472	11
12 Texas	0-0	424	12
13 Texas Tech	0-1	391	13
14 Maryland	0-0	374	14
15 Arizona State	2-0	307	18
16 NOTRE DAME	0-0	294	15
17 Minnesota	0-0	242	17
18 ◆DePaul	0-0	218	19
19 Temple	2-0	216	20
20 Vanderbilt	1-1	187	16
21 ◆Utah	0-0	151	21
22 Oklahoma	2-0	139	25
23 ◆USC	0-0	119	22
24 ◆Purdue	0-0	115	23
25 ◆North Carolina State	0-0	76	24

Others Receiving Votes: UCLA 27, New Mexico 24, Boston College 22, Kansas State 15, George Washington 13, TCU 11, **◆Louisville 10**, Florida State 9, Western Kentucky 7, Iowa State 5, Penn State 5, Oregon 3, Mississippi 2, Rice 2, Kentucky 1, Louisiana Tech 1, Southern 1.

LW = last week

◆ = 2005-06 Notre Dame opponent





Michigan Series

Series tied, 6-6

Date	Site	Result	Score
1/20/79	Ann Arbor	L	66-93
12/8/79	Notre Dame	L	60-66 (ot)
2/20/81	Ann Arbor	L	65-96
1/24/82	Notre Dame	W	71-48
12/12/82	Ann Arbor	W	62-58
12/9/83	Notre Dame	W	66-50
12/2/84	Ann Arbor	L	64-75
12/5/85	Notre Dame	W	76-71
12/13/91	Ann Arbor	L	75-86
12/12/92	Notre Dame	W	62-54
3/19/01	Notre Dame ¹	W	88-54
12/2/01	Grand Rapids ²	L	63-78

¹ = NCAA Tournament (second round)² = Women's College Basketball Showcase

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	818	68.2
Michigan	829	69.1

Current Win Streak: Michigan - 1 game

Muffet McGraw vs. Michigan: 2-2

Cheryl Burnett vs. Notre Dame: 0-1

McGraw vs. Burnett: McGraw leads 1-0

ND Biggest Win: 34 (88-54 on 3/19/01)

UM Biggest Win: 31 (96-65 on 2/20/81)

ND Longest Win Streak: 3 (1982-83)

UM Longest Win Streak: 3 (1979-81)

Give Her Five (Hundred)

With Notre Dame's first victory this season, head coach **Muffet McGraw** will become the 27th women's basketball coach in NCAA Division I history to reach the 500-win mark. McGraw has a career record of 499-196 (.718) in 23 years of coaching, including the past 18 seasons at Notre Dame (411-155, .728).

Here's a closer look at how the milestone victory will break down for McGraw:

- Should Notre Dame's first win come prior to Dec. 5, she will be the 10th NCAA Division I women's basketball coach to register her 500th victory before turning 50 years old.
- McGraw will be the fourth active coach in the BIG EAST Conference to reach the career 500-win mark, joining Stringer (723, as of Nov. 16), Auriemma (559) and Perretta (507).
- She will be the third BIG EAST coach in as many seasons to celebrate her 500th win. Auriemma hit the milestone late in the 2002-03 campaign, while Perretta joined the club with his landmark victory midway through last season.

Division I Coaches With 500 Wins Before Age 50

- 41 Pat Summitt, Tenn.
- 44 Rene Portland, PSU
- 45 C. Vivian Stringer, RU
- 45 Sylvia Hatchell, UNC
- 45 Theresa Grentz, Ill.
- 46 Jody Conradt, Texas
- 47 Tara VanDerveer, Stan.
- 49 Geno Auriemma, UC
- 49 Harry Perretta, Nova
- 49 **◆Muffet McGraw, ND**

Blowing The Lid Off

Notre Dame is 20-8 (.714) all-time in season openers and takes a 10-game winning streak into Friday's game with Michigan. The Irish also are 15-3 (.833) in season openers in the Muffet McGraw era, with their last season-opening loss coming on Nov. 26, 1994 (65-60 in overtime to No. 25 Seton Hall).

Notre Dame also has done well in its first home game of the season, going 20-8 (.714) in Joyce Center lidlifters, including an active 10-game winning streak and a 14-4 (.778) under McGraw. The last Irish home-opening loss was Nov. 30, 1994, when 13th-ranked Purdue edged out Notre Dame, 87-83.

Staying Up Late With The Irish

Friday's 9 p.m. (ET) start marks only the second time ever that Notre Dame has opened with a late tip time following a football pep rally at the Joyce Center. Last season, the Irish started off with a 92-73 victory over Illinois State in the first round of the Preseason WNIT.

Getting An Early Start

If form holds from Notre Dame's two exhibition games, freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** will be in the starting lineup when the Irish open their season Friday night against

ND Freshmen Debuts Top Scorers (McGraw era)

- 18 *A. Ratay @ Toledo, 1999
- 18 C. LaVere vs. Clev. St., 2002
- 16 *M. Marciniak vs. Penn St., 1991
- 15 C. Washington vs. Liberty, 1989
- 14 S. Hills vs. UCLA, 1998
- 14 *T. Borton vs. Valpo., 2001
- 12 *B. Morgan vs. UIC, 1993
- 11 *K. Siemon vs. Butler, 1997
- 11 J. Joyce @ Valparaiso, 2000

* = starter

LAST IRISH GAME VS. MICHIGAN

#16/17 Michigan 78, #23/23 Notre Dame 63
Women's College Basketball Showcase
December 2, 2001
Van Andel Arena (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

Notre Dame (63)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	22	2-6	0-0	0-0	4	0	4	4
Batteast	32	5-17	3-8	4-4	9	1	1	17
Borton	20	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	2
Severe	30	2-6	0-1	1-2	1	6	3	5
Ratay	37	6-11	2-7	5-5	7	2	2	19
Joyce	23	4-8	3-7	0-0	2	1	0	11
Hernandez	15	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	0
Wicks	12	1-4	0-1	0-2	2	1	1	2
Barksdale	9	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	3	3
Team					2			
Totals	200	22-59	8-25	11-15	28	13	19	63

Michigan (78)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Pool	33	6-12	0-2	1-1	1	1	1	13
Smith	33	6-9	0-0	0-0	6	3	2	12
Bies	22	4-9	0-0	10-11	12	4	4	18
Jara	18	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	5	0	2
Ingram	39	8-15	3-5	3-5	2	3	2	22
Hauser-Price	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Oesterle	10	0-2	0-0	1-2	1	2	2	1
Gandy	27	1-5	0-0	2-3	9	4	1	4
Mason	16	3-5	0-0	0-0	3	1	3	6
McPhilamy	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	29-58	3-7	17-22	40	23	15	78

Notre Dame 27 36 -- 63
Michigan 45 33 -- 78

FG Pct: Notre Dame 37.3, Michigan 50.0. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 32.0, Michigan 42.9. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 73.3, Michigan 77.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 11, Michigan 13. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Michigan 3. **Steals:** Notre Dame 6, Michigan 6 (Ingram 4). **Attendance:** 6,482.

Michigan. Schrader would be the first Notre Dame rookie to get the call in her college debut since Nov. 18, 2001, when Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton both started in a 42-35 victory over Valparaiso at the Joyce Center.

Exhibition Game #1 Recap: Indianapolis

Senior All-America guard **Megan Duffy** scored a team-high 18 points to pace four Notre Dame players in double figures as the Irish tipped off their 2005-06 season with an 84-59 exhibition victory over Division II entity Indianapolis on Nov. 1 before a crowd of 5,053 fans at the Joyce Center.

Duffy connected on 7-of-13 shots from the floor, including 4-of-8 from three-point range, and added a game-high seven assists with just one turnover. Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** looked strong as well, collecting 16 points (7-12 FG) and a best seven rebounds. Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** got the starting nod in her first outing and responded with 13 points (6-13 FG), while matching D'Amico's game-high seven rebounds. Senior forward **Courtney LaVere** rounded out the double-figure scoring quartet with 10 points (5-9 FG).

As a team, Notre Dame shot 53 percent from the floor (35-of-66) and owned a 40-29 edge on the boards. The Irish also had 25 assists and only 14 turnovers on the evening, with sophomore guard **Tulyah Gaines** nearly equalling Duffy's performance with six assists and one turnover.

Notre Dame stormed from the gate with a 15-5 run during the first 6:08 of the contest,





getting six points from D'Amico in the stretch. However, Indianapolis rallied back with a 19-7 run of its own and actually took the lead when Mandy Geryak hit a layup at the 9:54 mark.

With the crowd buzzing nervously, the Irish went to work, closing the first half on a 22-7 spurt, with Schrader and LaVere each kicking in six points for the home team. Sophomore guard **Amanda Tsipis** also contributed during the run with a basket, two rebounds, an assist and a steal in the final four minutes of the period as Notre Dame went to the locker room on top, 44-31.

The Greyhounds kept the margin at 13 points for the first two minutes of the second half. The Irish then iced the game with a 20-8 run that pushed them in front by a 68-43 count on a three-pointer by Duffy at the 8:33 juncture. Notre Dame opened up its largest lead of the night at 84-57 on a short jumper by freshman forward **Chandrica Smith** with one minute to play.

Exhibition Game #2 Recap: Ferris State

Senior All-America guard **Megan Duffy** scored a game-high 24 points to pace four Notre Dame players in double figures as the 15th-ranked Irish wrapped up exhibition play with a convincing 96-45 victory over NCAA Division II member Ferris State on Nov. 10 before a crowd of 5,421 at the Joyce Center. Notre Dame now has won 24 of its last 25 exhibition games, including 19 in a row, dating back to 1993. The 51-point margin of victory was the largest for the Irish in exhibition play since another 51-point win (88-37) against Estonia in 1998.

Duffy turned in a superb all-around performance, adding seven rebounds, five assists and a game-best five steals to her 24 points, which she amassed on 8-of-11 shooting, including 4-of-5 from beyond the three-point line. Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** complemented Duffy well, finishing with 19 points (8-of-12 FG), four rebounds and four steals in only 22 minutes of action.

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** offered up a second consecutive solid outing with 16 points and a game-high eight rebounds. Junior forward **Crystal Erwin** came alive in the second half and wound up with 12 points.

As a team, the Irish shot 50.8 percent from the floor (31-of-61), highlighted by a sharp .778 mark (7-of-9) from three-point range. Notre Dame also owned a 45-31 rebounding edge, although the Irish trailed in that category by one at the half. In addition, the Irish defense created 30 FSU turnovers, with 24 of those coming on steals.

Ferris State did not appear intimidated by its surroundings, scoring seven of the game's first nine points and hitting its first three shots in less than two minutes. However, that would be the largest lead of the night for the Bulldogs, as the Irish reeled off a 26-2 run during the next 8:42 and held FSU without a point for nearly eight minutes. Schrader had eight points during the run, which yielded a 28-9 lead for Notre Dame with 9:19 remaining in the first half. The teams then played virtually even for the rest of the period, with the Irish taking a 41-24 lead to the locker room.

Notre Dame left little doubt regarding the game's outcome with a 15-2 run to open the second half. Ten of the 11 Irish players in uniform found the scoring column, including freshman walk-on forward **Christine Trezza**, who connected on 1-of-2 free throws late in the contest. Notre Dame opened up its largest lead at 96-43 on D'Amico's jumper in the paint with 1:15 to play. As further evidence of the sturdy Irish defense, Notre Dame did not allow Ferris State to string together more than three consecutive points in the second half, with the only three-point "run" coming on a trey by Kristin Reinhart at the 3:54 mark.

A box score of this game appears on page 2 of this notes package.

Duffy Rakes In Preseason Honors

Senior guard **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, Ohio) already has found her name on preseason candidate lists for two of the top national player-of-the-year trophies this season. The 5-foot-7 floor general is among 25 early candidates for the State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy, and she is on the 30-player watch list for the John R. Wooden Women's Award. It's the first time in Duffy's career she has been placed under consideration for either award, and it marks the third consecutive season a Notre Dame player has made both preseason candidate list (Jacqueline Batteast was chosen prior to the 2003-04 and 2004-05 campaigns).

Besides the Wade Trophy and Wooden Women's Award, Duffy is a prime candidate for the Frances Pomeroy Naismith Award, which goes the country's top senior player who stands 5-foot-8 or under, and the Nancy Lieberman Award, which is presented to the nation's top point guard.

In addition, Duffy has been tapped as a preseason All-American by three national media outlets — Women's Basketball News Service (first team), *Street & Smith's* ("Terrific 10") and *Lindy's College Basketball Annual* (third team) — and has been chosen as one of the top five point guards in the country in the ESPN.com 2005-06 season preview.

Duffy also was one of 12 players selected to the 2005-06 Preseason all-BIG EAST Conference Team, as voted on by the league's coaches. Duffy is one of three returning first-team all-BIG EAST picks from a year ago, joining West Virginia's Meg Bulger and this year's Preseason Player of the Year, Cappie Pondexter of Rutgers. Duffy is tops among all returnees in assists (5.39 apg).

Duffy is tops among all returnees in assists (5.39 apg), in 2004-05, second in the BIG EAST), steals (2.73 spg., first) and free throw percentage (.895, first), setting a school record and ranking fourth nationally in the latter category. She also ranks fourth among BIG EAST returnees in assist/turnover ratio (1.73) and is seventh among veterans in three-point field goals per game (1.52).

2005-06 Preseason All-BIG EAST Team

Matee Ajavon, Rutgers
Meg Bulger, West Virginia
Jazz Covington, Louisville
Jessica Dickson, USF
♦**Megan Duffy, Notre Dame**
Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers
Khara Smith, DePaul
*Ann Strother, Connecticut
Liad Suez, Villanova
Barbara Turner, Connecticut
Mercedes Walker, Pitt
Kia Wright, St. John's
* - unanimous selection

2005-06 Honorees

G Megan Duffy

preseason	State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
preseason	All-American (Wooden Women's Award)
preseason	first-team All-American (WBB News Service)
preseason	third-team All-American (<i>Lindy's Annual</i>)
preseason	"Terrific 10" (<i>Street & Smith's</i>)
preseason	top five point guards in nation (ESPN.com)
preseason	all-BIG EAST Conference

Top Joyce Center Crowds

Rk.	Date	Opponent	Result	Atten.
T1.	1/15/01	#1 Connecticut	W, 92-76	11,418*
T1.	2/24/01	Georgetown	W, 65-53	11,418*
3.	2/10/02	#16 Boston College	W, 60-44	9,676
4.	3/19/01	Michigan (NCAA)	W, 88-54	9,597
5.	1/4/03	#7 Purdue	L, 54-71	9,483
6.	1/26/02	#16 Virginia Tech	W, 64-57	8,878
7.	2/14/04	Providence	W, 81-51	8,760
8.	1/13/04	#4 Connecticut	W, 66-51	8,574
9.	1/29/02	Syracuse	W, 71-46	8,571
10.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
11.	1/20/03	#3 Connecticut	L, 53-72	8,265
12.	1/12/92	#2 Tennessee	L, 82-85	8,134
13.	11/18/01	Valparaiso	W, 42-35	7,960
14.	2/26/05	West Virginia	W, 82-57	7,935
15.	1/5/02	Providence	W, 72-66	7,804
16.	2/26/02	Villanova	L, 45-48	7,785
17.	2/19/02	West Virginia	W, 72-63	7,709
18.	1/18/03	Rutgers	L, 61-64	7,697
19.	2/13/02	St. John's	W, 66-31	7,677
20.	12/9/01	USC	W, 62-49	7,595

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





Academics

The University of Notre Dame ranks among the top three Division I-A institutions in five major student-athlete graduation rate categories — overall, football, men, women and African-American — according to statistics released in October 2004 by the NCAA.

The federally-mandated '04 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 14th-such survey issued by the Association, covers students who enrolled between '94 and '97 at Division I institutions, including 117 in Division I-A. The NCAA bases graduation rates on the raw percentage of student-athletes who entered an institution and graduated within six years. Students who leave or transfer, regardless of academic standing, are considered non-graduates.

Among student-athletes who completed all four years of academic eligibility at Notre Dame, 99 percent earned their degrees. The national average was 84 percent.

Using the NCAA formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 87 percent of its student-athletes, second only to Duke University at 90 percent, and tied with Stanford and Northwestern Universities. The national average for Division I-A schools was 61 percent.

In August 2003, the NCAA presented an Academic Achievement Award to Notre Dame for its best-in-the-nation one-year graduation rate of 92 percent for all student-athletes who enrolled in 1996.

Notre Dame graduated 94 percent of its female student-athletes, which ranks third nationally behind only Northwestern and Duke.

All Student-Athletes

1. Duke	90%
2. (tie) Notre Dame	87
Northwestern	87
Stanford	87

Male Student-Athletes

1. Duke	88%
2. Stanford	84
3. Notre Dame	82

Female Student-Athletes

1. Northwestern	96%
2. Duke	95
3. Notre Dame	94

Academic All-Americans

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

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

Current senior guard **Megan Duffy** is poised to become the latest Irish women's basketball player to earn Academic All-America® recognition. Duffy was a second-team Academic All-District V selection in 2004-05 and currently holds a 3.508 grade-point average (GPA) as a double major in psychology and computer applications in Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also has garnered Dean's List honors the past three semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005), the most recent coming after she finished with a 3.917 GPA for the term.

ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

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

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

Last season, Duffy was an honorable mention All-America choice by the Associated Press and was a finalist for the Kodak/WBCA All-America Team. She also earned a spot on the all-tournament teams for the Preseason WNIT and the BIG EAST Championship.

Notre Dame Ranked Third In Preseason BIG EAST Poll

According to a preseason survey of the BIG EAST Conference coaches, Notre Dame is expected to finish third in the conference this season. Those were the results released at the league's annual Media Day Oct. 27 at the ESPN Zone in New York's Times Square. The Irish earned 191 points, which placed them behind the defending BIG EAST regular-season champion Rutgers (221 points, 11 first-place votes) and the reigning BIG EAST Championship victor, Connecticut (215 points, five first-place votes). Conference newcomer DePaul was fourth, followed by Villanova, Louisville, West Virginia, St.

2005-06 BIG EAST Preseason Poll	
Team (1st-place)	Points
Rutgers (11)	221
Connecticut (5)	215
◆NOTRE DAME	191
DePaul	183
Villanova	167
Louisville	155
West Virginia	128
St. John's	118
South Florida	113
Marquette	98
Georgetown	78
Seton Hall	73
Pittsburgh	60
Syracuse	57
Cincinnati	48
Providence	15

John's, South Florida and Marquette. All 10 of those schools qualified for postseason play last season, with Notre Dame, Rutgers, Connecticut, DePaul and Louisville all advancing to the NCAA Tournament.

Notre Dame is beginning its 11th season as a member of the BIG EAST Conference in 2005-06. The Irish have gone 137-31 (.815) all-time in regular-season conference games, posting the best winning percentage in league history. Connecticut is second with a .779 success rate. Notre Dame also has finished among the top three in the final BIG EAST regular-season standings nine times in its first 10 seasons in the conference, including a share of the BIG EAST title in 2000-01.

Changes On The Sideline

There are three changes to the Notre Dame staff for the 2005-06 season. **Coquese Washington**, who is entering her seventh season on the Irish bench, has been promoted to associate head coach. Washington, who also played for head coach **Muffet McGraw** from 1989-93, has been part of the Notre Dame women's basketball program for 10 of the first 18 years of the McGraw era.

Angie Potthoff has been hired as an assistant coach, replacing longtime aide Carol Owens, who resigned in March to become head coach at her alma mater, Northern Illinois. Potthoff, a 1997 graduate of Penn State where she was a two-time All-American and three-time first-team all-Big Ten selection, will focus her efforts primarily on working with the Irish posts.

Stephanie Menio (pronounced MANY-o) is Notre Dame's new coordinator of basketball

operations, assuming the marketing and promotional responsibilities for the program. She replaces Heather Maxwell, who departed in August to pursue doctoral studies at the University of Minnesota.

Late Additions To Irish Roster

Notre Dame has added two walk-on players to its roster for the 2005-06 season, with both joining the squad through preseason tryouts after the media guide went to press.

Brittney Bolden (5-7, Fr., G, South Bend, Ind./Adams HS) averaged 13.3 points and 6.1 rebounds per game last season while helping Adams to one of its best seasons of late in the Northern Indiana Conference (NIC). She is the fourth South Bend native ever to play for the Irish, with the most recent being former South Bend Washington High School standout Jacqueline Batteast (2001-05). Ironically, Bolden graduated from John Adams High School, making Adams the fourth different South Bend school to send a player to Notre Dame — the others are St. Joseph's (Molly Mahoney in 1986-87) and Clay (Mary Borkowski, 1983-84).

Bolden was a three-sport letterwinner at Adams, participating in basketball, soccer and track & field. She was a two-time all-Northern Indiana Conference selection in basketball and a two-time first-team all-conference pick in soccer, as well as a four-time state finalist on the track as a sprinter. In addition, she was an excellent student, graduating with a 3.7 grade-point average and academic honors. She comes from a family with a rich athletic heritage — two of her cousins are Shannon Bolden (currently a senior guard/forward at Minnesota) and Stephanie Bolden (a former standout at South Dakota State, where she helped the Jackrabbits to the NCAA Division II title in 2002-03).

Christine Trezza (6-0, Fr., F, Staten Island, N.Y./Notre Dame Academy HS) averaged 10.4 points and 12.0 rebounds per game during her high school career, earning second-team all-borough honors from the New York Daily News and all-conference laurels as a senior. Last year, she helped Notre Dame Academy to a regional title (had career highs of 25 points and 15 rebounds in one playoff game) and averaged 14.8 points and 13.0 rebounds per game along the way. Also, she was a three-time captain of the nationally-ranked Staten Island Rebels AAU squad that finished second at the USA Junior Nationals in 2003. Like Bolden, Trezza was a multi-sport athlete in high school, garnering four letters in volleyball and one in cross country.

Trezza was a member of the National Honor Society, in addition to serving as student government president, class valedictorian and captain of the math team. She is from the same borough as Irish men's basketball freshman Kyle McAlarney (Moore Catholic HS) and joins Notre Dame sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** (Manorville, N.Y./William Floyd HS) as the New York natives on this year's Irish roster.

Half And Half

During the past five seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 97-8 (.924) since the





start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including a 20-1 mark last year (only loss: 70-61 to Arizona State in the second round of the NCAA Tournament).

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past decade, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 150-9 (.943) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Notre Dame added 21 more wins to that ledger last season.

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

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past decade (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 91-3 (.968) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995 and a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998. Notre Dame tacked on three more wins to that tally in 2004-05.

Sweet Success

Notre Dame is one of only nine schools in the country to have appeared in the NCAA Sweet Sixteen six times in the past nine seasons (1997-2004). The others are Connecticut and Tennessee (nine times), Duke (eight times), Louisiana Tech (seven times), and Georgia, LSU, North Carolina and Texas Tech (six times).

The Gold Standard

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

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 127 of their last 138 games (.920) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 76-8 (.905) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it was snapped with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the 2002 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 54 of their last 57 non-BIG EAST contests (.947) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. The only three

losses in that span all came at the hands of Big Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54) and Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT). The Purdue loss snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 277-72 (.794) record at the venerable facility. In three of the past six seasons (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish were a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Jammin' The Joyce

Beginning with its national championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has ranked among the top 20 in the nation in attendance each of the past five years, including a No. 16 rating in 2004-05 (5,830 fans per game).

What's more, each of the top 20 women's basketball crowds in Joyce Center history have occurred during the 18-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw** (1987-present), with 19 of those 20 occurring in the past five seasons (2000-01 to present). Lastly, the Irish have attracted at least 5,000 fans to 65 of their last 67 home games, including 12 contests with at least 8,000 fans and the first two sellouts in the program's history (both in 2001).

Oh Captain, My Captain

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

Notre Dame On The Small Screen

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

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has played in 60 televised games, including 37 that were broadcast nationally. Last year, the Irish had 17 games televised, with 10 being national broadcasts.

Notre Dame will make its 2005-06 television debut Sunday when its 2 p.m. (ET) road opener at Western Michigan is aired live on Comcast Local. That will be the first of two regional Irish women's basketball broadcasts for the Detroit-based network, with the second coming a week later (Nov. 27) in a 2 p.m. (ET) home game against USC.

Fall Signings

Notre Dame head women's basketball coach **Muffet McGraw** announced Nov. 9 that four of the nation's top high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their academic and athletic careers with the Irish, signing national letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2006. **Ashley Barlow**, a 5-9 guard from Indianapolis, Ind. (Pike High School), **Danielle Ben-Tsvulun**, a 6-3 forward from Fort Wayne, Ind. (Harding High School), **Melissa Lechlitner**, a 5-7 guard from Mishawaka, Ind. (South Bend St. Joseph's High School) and **Erica Williamson**, a 6-4 center from Charlotte, N.C. (South Mecklenburg High School) all made their official commitments to the Irish during the early signing period, which last from Nov. 9-16.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



**2004-05 Trends****Day of the Week**

Sunday	7-1
Monday	1-2
Tuesday	3-0
Wednesday	6-1
Thursday	2-1
Friday	2-0
Saturday	6-1

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m. local time)	9-2
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	18-4

Location

Home games	14-2
Road games	11-2
Neutral site games	2-2

Halftime score

Leading at the half	20-1
Trailing at the half	7-5
Tied at the half	0-0

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	18-3
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	8-3
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	1-0

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	24-1
Lower pct. than opponent	3-5
Shoot 45% or better	12-0
Shoot less than 45%	15-6
Hold opponent under 40%	21-3

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	24-3
Make fewer free throws	2-2
Make same number of free throws	1-1

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	17-2
Commit more turnovers	8-4
Commit same number of turnovers	2-0

Miscellaneous

Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls)	7-5
On television	12-5
In white jerseys	16-4
In blue jerseys	11-2
In green jerseys	0-0
In overtime games	0-1

Margin of Victory

1-5 points	3-1
6-10 points	7-2
11-15 points	5-2
16-20 points	6-1
21+ points	6-0

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	14-4
Atlantic Coast	1-0
Atlantic 10	1-0
Big Ten	2-1
Big 12	1-0
Big West	1-0
Conference USA	1-0
Mid-American	1-0
Mid-Continent	1-0
Missouri Valley	1-0
Mountain West	1-0
Pac-10	2-1

Month

November	7-0
December	4-1
January	7-2
February	6-1
March	3-2

The remaining six televised games on the '05-06 Notre Dame schedule all are slated for national broadcasts. The first of three Irish appearances on College Sports Television (CSTV) comes on Dec. 31, when Notre Dame plays host to Tennessee at 2 p.m. (EST). Notre Dame returns to the CSTV airwaves for a pair of January contests that will be part of the BIG EAST/CSTV Tuesday Game of the Week package. The Irish will welcome DePaul to the Joyce Center on Jan. 17, before visiting Rutgers on Jan. 24, and both games will tip off at 7:30 p.m. (ET). CSTV has aired eight Notre Dame women's basketball games during the past three seasons, with the first being that network's inaugural broadcast of any sport (a Feb. 2003 game at Connecticut).

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

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

Notre Dame On The Airwaves

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

Promotional Corner

Here's a rundown of some upcoming promotions and giveaways at future Notre Dame women's basketball games this season. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Irish athletics ticket office (second floor of the Joyce Center through Gate 1; 574-631-7356) or on game day at the Gate 10 ticket windows of the Joyce Center. Please note — additional promotions and giveaways may be added at a later date, so consult the Notre Dame promotions web site (www.notredamepromotions.com) for the latest information:

- **Nov. 18 vs. Michigan** — Opening Night 2005 ... free popcorn to first 500 fans ... Notre Dame women's basketball "I Bring The Spirit" t-shirts to first 1,000 fans (courtesy of PJ Marketing) ... fans can get photo taken by professional photographer Michael Bennett from Lighthouse Imaging and free hard copies of those pictures will be available after the game ... post-game autograph session courtside with selected Irish players.
- **Nov. 27 vs. USC** — Family Day (four tickets, four hot dogs, four sodas for \$25) ... Notre Dame women's basketball mouse pads to first 1,000 fans (courtesy of Chili's and Papa Vino's) post-game autograph session courtside with selected Irish players.

Next Game: Western Michigan

It's a quick turnaround for Notre Dame, as the Irish make the hour-long trip north to Kalamazoo, Mich., for a Sunday matinee contest against Western Michigan. Tipoff time from University Arena is set for 2 p.m. (ET) and the game will be televised live on a regional basis by Comcast Local (Cable Channel 3 in South Bend).

Western Michigan will be opening its season with Sunday's game against Notre Dame. The Broncos split their two exhibition games this year, falling to Hillsdale (72-66) before rebounding to defeat Northwood (93-59).

Notre Dame leads the all-time series with WMU, 7-0, including a 2-0 mark in Kalamazoo, which the Irish last visited in December 1985.



2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball
 Notre Dame Combined Team Statistics (EXHIBITION)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(2-0)	(2-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(2-0)	(2-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	----REBOUNDS----				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
13	DUFFY, Megan.....	2-2	60 30.0	15-24	.625	8-13	.615	4-4	1.000	3	8	11	5.5	3	0	12	3	0	8	42	21.0
24	SCHRADER, Lindsay..	2-2	50 25.0	14-25	.560	0-1	.000	4-8	.500	4	7	11	5.5	4	0	4	1	1	6	32	16.0
33	D'AMICO, Melissa...	2-2	61 30.5	12-23	.522	0-0	.000	8-10	.800	6	9	15	7.5	2	0	1	4	4	1	32	16.0
41	LaVERE, Courtney...	2-0	39 19.5	7-12	.583	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	7	4	11	5.5	4	0	5	4	2	4	16	8.0
32	GRAY, Breona.....	1-0	20 20.0	2-4	.500	2-2	1.000	1-2	.500	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	3	2	0	3	7	7.0
34	ERWIN, Crystal.....	2-2	40 20.0	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	6-7	.857	4	2	6	3.0	1	0	2	4	2	1	14	7.0
02	ALLEN, Charel.....	2-0	37 18.5	2-13	.154	0-2	.000	8-10	.800	4	6	10	5.0	1	0	4	2	1	1	12	6.0
21	SMITH, Chandrica...	1-0	14 14.0	3-3	1.000	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	0	2	2.0	2	0	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
01	GAINES, Tulyah....	2-2	40 20.0	4-7	.571	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	5	6	3.0	7	0	11	6	0	6	10	5.0
11	TSIPIS, Amanda....	2-0	23 11.5	3-6	.500	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	2	2	4	2.0	1	0	2	5	0	5	8	4.0
22	TREZZA, Christine..	2-0	6 3.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	2	0	2	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.5
14	BOLDEN, Brittney...	2-0	10 5.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0.0
	TEAM.....									1	3	4	2.0	0		1					
Total.....		2	400	66-127	.520	11-20	.550	37-52	.712	36	49	85	42.5	26	0	47	32	10	37	180	90.0
Opponents.....		2	400	41-114	.360	8-29	.276	14-18	.778	26	34	60	30.0	43	-	18	51	4	18	104	52.0

TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	180	104	11/01/05	INDIANAPOLIS	W	84-59	5053
Points per game.....	90.0	52.0	11/10/05	FERRIS STATE	W	96-45	5421
Scoring margin.....	+38.0	-					
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	66-127	41-114					
Field goal pct.....	.520	.360					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	11-20	8-29					
3-point FG pct.....	.550	.276					
3-pt FG made per game..	5.5	4.0					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	37-52	14-18					
Free throw pct.....	.712	.778					
REBOUNDS.....	85	60					
Rebounds per game.....	42.5	30.0					
Rebounding margin.....	+12.5	-					
ASSISTS.....	47	18					
Assists per game.....	23.5	9.0					
TURNOVERS.....	32	51					
Turnovers per game....	16.0	25.5					
Turnover margin.....	+9.5	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.5	0.4					
STEALS.....	37	18					
Steals per game.....	18.5	9.0					
BLOCKS.....	10	4					
Blocks per game.....	5.0	2.0					
WINNING STREAK.....	2	-					
Home win streak.....	2	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	10474	0					
Home games-Avg/Game...	2-5237	0-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	0-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame.....	85	95	- 180
Opponents.....	55	49	- 104

Official Basketball Box Score -- GAME TOTALS -- FINAL STATISTICS

Indianapolis vs Notre Dame

11/01/05 7 p.m. at Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)

VISITORS: Indianapolis (0-1 exhibition)

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	3-PT	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS			PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN	
					FG-FGA	FG-FGA	DE								
30	ELLRICH, Kaysee.....	f	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	4	5	2	0	1	1	0	0	24
32	THOMSON, Deanna.....	f	3-9	1-3	0-0	1	1	2	2	7	0	0	0	4	38
40	PATTON, Eileen.....	c	0-1	0-0	1-3	4	1	5	2	1	0	2	0	0	12
03	GERYAK, Mandy.....	g	8-13	3-6	4-4	0	4	4	3	23	5	8	0	1	36
11	RHENWRICK, Isabell..	g	0-6	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	2	4	0	2	21
10	MONTGOMERY, Tarryn..		1-6	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	0	2	1	2	0	1	11
22	OPFER, Alli.....		4-6	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	9	1	1	0	1	15
34	NORRIS, Amanda.....		2-4	0-0	2-2	3	2	5	2	6	0	1	1	1	22
42	JACKSON, Vanessa....		4-10	0-0	3-3	1	2	3	1	11	0	2	1	1	21
	TEAM.....					2	1	3							
	Totals.....		22-56	5-14	10-12	12	17	29	16	59	10	21	2	11	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half:	10-24	41.7%	2nd Half:	12-32	37.5%	Game:	39.3%	DEADB
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half:	3-8	37.5%	2nd Half:	2-6	33.3%	Game:	35.7%	REBS
F Throw % 1st Half:	8-10	80.0%	2nd Half:	2-2	100 %	Game:	83.3%	1

HOME TEAM: Notre Dame (1-0 exhibition)

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	3-PT	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS			PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN	
					FG-FGA	FG-FGA	DE								
34	ERWIN, Crystal.....	f	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	0	2	1	1	1	0	15
33	D'AMICO, Melissa....	c	7-12	0-0	2-2	2	5	7	1	16	1	3	1	0	32
01	GAINES, Tulyah.....	g	2-4	0-0	2-2	0	4	4	4	6	6	1	0	3	26
13	DUFFY, Megan.....	g	7-13	4-8	0-0	2	2	4	1	18	7	1	0	3	32
24	SCHRADER, Lindsay... g		6-13	0-1	1-3	4	3	7	1	13	2	1	1	2	28
02	ALLEN, Charel.....		2-7	0-2	5-6	2	1	3	1	9	0	2	0	0	16
11	TSIPIS, Amanda.....		2-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	0	4	1	3	0	2	11
14	BOLDEN, Brittney....		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4
21	SMITH, Chandrica....		3-3	0-0	0-3	2	0	2	2	6	1	0	0	0	14
22	TREZZA, Christine...		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
41	LaVERE, Courtney....		5-9	0-0	0-0	2	3	5	3	10	4	2	0	3	21
	TEAM.....					1	1	2							
	Totals.....		35-66	4-11	10-16	17	23	40	13	84	25	14	3	13	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half:	20-39	51.3%	2nd Half:	15-27	55.6%	Game:	53.0%	DEADB
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half:	2-7	28.6%	2nd Half:	2-4	50.0%	Game:	36.4%	REBS
F Throw % 1st Half:	2-2	100 %	2nd Half:	8-14	57.1%	Game:	62.5%	3

Officials: Mark Berger, Rod Creech, Kevin Dillard

Technical fouls: Indianapolis-None. Notre Dame-None.

Attendance: 5053

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Indianapolis.....	31	28	- 59
Notre Dame.....	44	40	- 84

ID-386302

exhibition game #1

Points in the paint-UI 24,ND 40. Points off turnovers-UI 12,ND 16.

2nd chance points-UI 3,ND 17. Fast break points-UI 6,ND 2.

Bench points-UI 28,ND 29. Score tied-2 times. Lead changed-2 times.

Last FG-UI 2nd-00:02, ND 2nd-01:00.

Largest lead-UI by 2 1st-09:54, ND by 27 2nd-01:00.

Official Basketball Box Score -- GAME TOTALS -- FINAL STATISTICS

Ferris State vs Notre Dame

11/10/05 7 p.m. at Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)

VISITORS: Ferris State (0-1 exhibition)

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	3-PT	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS			PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN	
					FG-FGA	FG-FGA	DE								
22	THWING, Audrey.....	f	4-7	0-0	2-2	3	1	4	4	10	0	1	1	3	23
24	McLAUGHLIN, Kelly...	f	1-5	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	2	1	3	0	0	13
33	FOLCIK, Rachel.....	c	3-9	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	2	6	1	4	0	0	14
11	MILLER, Erin.....	g	6-11	2-6	0-0	2	2	4	1	14	1	7	0	1	32
30	REINHART, Kristin...	g	2-8	1-1	0-0	1	1	2	2	5	2	1	0	0	23
03	LOOSVELT, Katie.....		1-6	0-3	1-2	1	1	2	3	3	0	4	0	1	20
10	HUTCHISON, Caitlin..		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
14	THELEN, Teghan.....		0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	10
25	JOHNS, Sam.....		0-3	0-3	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	17
31	FRESHOUR, Aubrey....		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	3	0	1	1	0	0	8
40	GUAY, Jenna.....		1-4	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	1	3	0	3	0	0	15
42	DEYO, Lindsey.....		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	4
45	FLEMING, Ashley.....		1-2	0-0	0-0	4	0	4	3	2	2	4	0	1	15
	TEAM.....					3	4	7							
	Totals.....		19-58	3-15	4-6	14	17	31	27	45	8	30	2	7	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half:	9-32	28.1%	2nd Half:	10-26	38.5%	Game:	32.8%	DEADB
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half:	2-7	28.6%	2nd Half:	1-8	12.5%	Game:	20.0%	REBS
F Throw % 1st Half:	4-6	66.7%	2nd Half:	0-0	0.0%	Game:	66.7%	1

HOME TEAM: Notre Dame (2-0 exhibition)

##	Player Name	TOT-FG	3-PT	FT-FTA	REBOUNDS			PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN	
					FG-FGA	FG-FGA	DE								
34	ERWIN, Crystal.....	f	3-5	0-0	6-7	3	0	3	1	12	1	3	1	1	25
33	D'AMICO, Melissa....	c	5-11	0-0	6-8	4	4	8	1	16	0	1	3	1	29
01	GAINES, Tulyah.....	g	2-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	3	4	5	5	0	3	14
13	DUFFY, Megan.....	g	8-11	4-5	4-4	1	6	7	2	24	5	2	0	5	28
24	SCHRADER, Lindsay...	g	8-12	0-0	3-5	0	4	4	3	19	2	0	0	4	22
02	ALLEN, Charel.....		0-6	0-0	3-4	2	5	7	0	3	4	0	1	1	21
11	TSIPIS, Amanda.....		1-4	1-2	1-2	1	0	1	1	4	1	2	0	3	12
14	BOLDEN, Brittney....		0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	6
22	TREZZA, Christine...		0-0	0-0	1-2	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	5
32	GRAY, Breona.....		2-4	2-2	1-2	0	3	3	0	7	3	2	0	3	20
41	LaVERE, Courtney....		2-3	0-0	2-2	5	1	6	1	6	1	2	2	1	18
	TEAM.....					2	2				1				
	Totals.....		31-61	7-9	27-36	19	26	45	13	96	22	18	7	24	200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half:	15-30	50.0%	2nd Half:	16-31	51.6%	Game:	50.8%	DEADB
3-Pt. FG% 1st Half:	3-5	60.0%	2nd Half:	4-4	100%	Game:	77.8%	REBS
F Throw % 1st Half:	8-12	66.7%	2nd Half:	19-24	79.2%	Game:	75.0%	3

Officials: Becky Blank, Rod Creech, Mark Berger

Technical fouls: Ferris State-None. Notre Dame-None.

Attendance: 5421

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Ferris State.....	24	21	- 45
Notre Dame.....	41	55	- 96

Exhibition game #2

Points in the paint-FSU 24,ND 34. Points off turnovers-FSU 10,ND 39.

2nd chance points-FSU 4,ND 16. Fast break points-FSU 0,ND 12.

Bench points-FSU 8,ND 21. Score tied-1 time. Lead changed-1 time.