



2005

Opponents



Upon graduation in 2006, Kelly Burrell will have played in 22 states, the District of Columbia, and four foreign countries with the Notre Dame volleyball team.

10



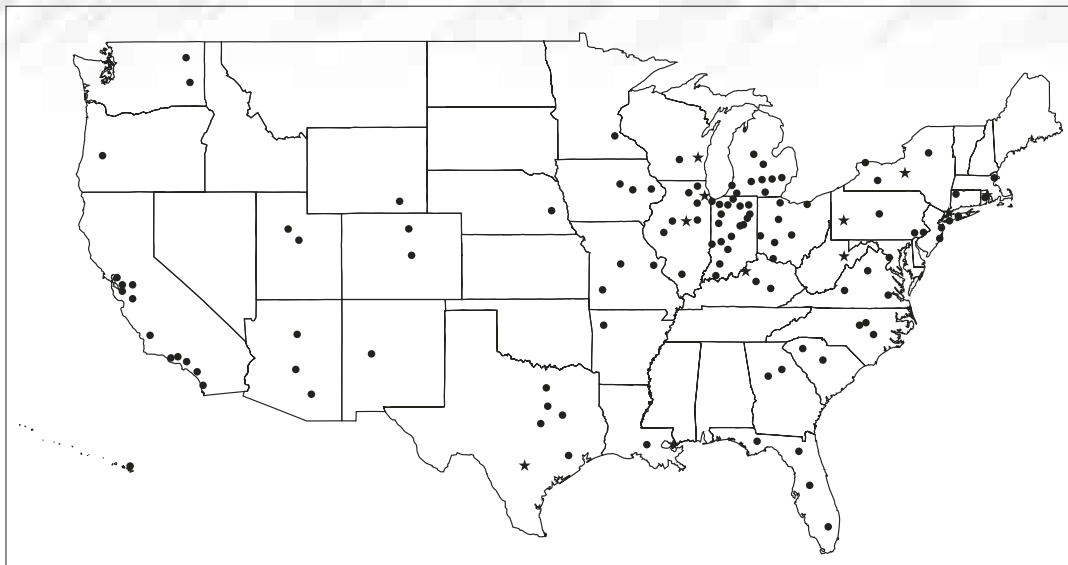
Since 1980, the Notre Dame volleyball team has traveled to 34 states, the District of Columbia and six foreign countries (Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Slovenia).

The only location in that group not visited during the Debbie Brown era is Oregon.

Notre Dame's widespread travel is befitting of a student body and volleyball roster which draw from all corners of the United States, as the program has included players from 26 states. The states visited by the Irish include:

(• = places traveled

★/@ = road opponents in 2005).



Arkansas

Fayetteville (University of Arkansas)

Arizona

Flagstaff (Northern Arizona)
Tempe (Arizona State)
Tucson (University of Arizona)

California

Berkeley (University of California)
Long Beach (Long Beach State)
Los Angeles (USC, Loyola Marymount)
Malibu (Pepperdine)
Northridge (CS Northridge)
San Diego (San Diego)
San Francisco (San Francisco)
San Jose (San Jose State)
San Luis Obispo (Cal Poly)
Santa Clara (Santa Clara)
Stanford (Stanford)
Stockton (Pacific)

Colorado

Boulder (University of Colorado)
Fort Collins (Colorado State)

Connecticut

Fairfield (Fairfield)
@ Storrs (University of Connecticut)

District of Columbia

Washington (Georgetown)

Florida

Buena Vista (Disney's Wide World of Sports)
Coral Gables (Miami)
Gainesville (University of Florida)
Tallahassee (Florida State)

Georgia

Atlanta (Georgia Tech)
Athens (University of Georgia)

Hawaii

Honolulu (University of Hawaii)

Illinois

Carbondale (Southern Illinois)
Champaign (University of Illinois)
@ Chicago (Chicago State, DePaul, Illinois-Chicago, Loyola, Mizuno Cup)
DeKalb (Northern Illinois)
Evanston (Northwestern)
Jacksonville (Illinois Central)
Joliet (St. Francis)
@ Normal (Illinois State)
Peoria (Bradley)

Indiana

Anderson (Anderson)
Angola (Tri-State)
Bloomington (Indiana University)

Indiana (cont.)

Evansville (Evansville)
Fort Wayne (St. Francis, IPFW)
Goshen (Goshen)
Greencastle (DePauw)
Hammond (Purdue-Calumet)
Huntington (Huntington)
Indianapolis (Butler, IUPUI)
Muncie (Ball State)
North Manchester (Manchester)
Notre Dame (Notre Dame)
Oakland City (Oakland City)
Rensselaer (St. Joseph's)
South Bend (Bethel, Saint Mary's, IUSB)
Terre Haute (Indiana State)
Valparaiso (Valparaiso)
West Lafayette (Purdue)

Iowa

Bettendorf (vs. Northern Iowa)
Cedar Falls (Northern Iowa)
Iowa City (University of Iowa)

Kentucky

Lexington (University of Kentucky)
Louisville (Louisville)
Richmond (Eastern Kentucky)

Louisiana

Baton Rouge (Louisiana State)
@ New Orleans (Tulane)

Massachusetts

Chestnut Hill (Boston College)

Michigan

Ann Arbor (University of Michigan)
Battle Creek (Kellogg)
Benton Harbor (Lake Michigan CC)
Dowagiac (Southwest Michigan)
East Lansing (Michigan State)
Kalamazoo (Western Michigan)
Mt. Pleasant (Central Michigan)
Ypsilanti (Eastern Michigan)

Minnesota

Minneapolis (University of Minnesota)

Missouri

Columbia (University of Missouri)
St. Louis (Saint Louis)
Springfield (SW Missouri State)

Nebraska

Lincoln (University of Nebraska)

New Mexico

Albuquerque (University of New Mexico)

New Jersey

New Brunswick (Rutgers)
South Orange (Seton Hall)

New York

Hamilton (Colgate)
Hempstead (Hofstra)
Ithaca (Ithaca)
@ Jamaica (St. John's)
Rochester (Rochester)
@ Syracuse (Syracuse)

North Carolina

Chapel Hill (University of North Carolina)
Durham (Duke)
Raleigh (North Carolina State)

Ohio

Bowling Green (Bowling Green)
Cincinnati (Xavier)
Columbus (Ohio State)
Cleveland (Cleveland State)
Dayton (Dayton, Fairborn, Wright State)
Oxford (Miami)
Toledo (Toledo)

Oregon

Eugene (University of Oregon)

Pennsylvania

Philadelphia (La Salle, Penn)
@ Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh)
State College (Penn State)
Villanova (Villanova)

Rhode Island

Kingston (University of Rhode Island)
Providence (Providence)

South Carolina

Clemson (Clemson)
Columbia (University of South Carolina)

Texas

Arlington (Texas-Arlington)
Austin (University of Texas)
College Station (Texas A&M)
Houston (Rice, Houston)
@ San Antonio (Alamodome)
Waco (Baylor)

Utah

Provo (Brigham Young)
Salt Lake City (University of Utah)

Virginia

Blacksburg (Virginia Tech)
Charlottesville (University of Virginia)
Williamsburg (William and Mary)

Washington

Pullman (Washington State)
Spokane (Gonzaga, Spokane Arena)

West Virginia

@ Morgantown (West Virginia University)

Wisconsin

Madison (University of Wisconsin)
@ Milwaukee (Marquette)

Wyoming

Laramie (University of Wyoming)



Michigan Wolverines

Saturday, Aug. 27 • 7:00 p.m. EST/CDT
 Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
 Notre Dame Leads Series 7-4

Location: Ann Arbor, MI
Founded: 1817
Enrollment: 39,031
Colors: Maize and Blue
Conference: Big Ten
Home Court: Cliff Keen Arena (1,800)
Athletic Director: William C. Martin



Head Coach: Mark Rosen (CS Northridge '85)
Record at U-M (Yrs.): 105-83 (6)
Career Record (Yrs.): 314-120 (12)
Assistants: Leisa Rosen (Ohio State '92), Jun Liu (Northern Michigan '96)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 20-13 (9-11/T-6th)
Postseason: NCAA second round (d. Rice 3-1, l. Texas 1-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Megan Bowman (MB, Jr., 6-1); Katie Bruzdinski (OH, So., 6-0); Erin Cobler (RS/OH, Jr., 6-1); Lyndsay Miller (MB, So., 6-2); Danielle Pflum (OH, Jr., 6-1); Stesha Selsky (L, So., 5-10)

Volleyball SID: Richard Retyi
Office: (734) 615-0680
Fax: (734) 647-1188
Email: rretyi@umich.edu
Press Row: (734) 764-3532
Website: MGoBlue.com

Notes: The schools will meet for the fifth time in seven years and 12th time overall ... Notre Dame has won seven of the previous matches, but U-M prevailed 30-23, 30-25, 27-30, 32-30 in Ann Arbor last season ... this will be Michigan's first trip to ND since '02 and sixth overall (Irish lead 4-1) ... the teams have played just one five-game match, an Irish victory (15-10 in the fifth) in Ann Arbor in 1996 ... ND and Michigan first met in 1982, with the Wolverines prevailing 2-0 on their home floor ... the Irish gained their first win over U-M in 1987 (3-0 in Ann Arbor), beginning a six-match winning streak ... Michigan then won consecutive contests in 1999 and 2000 before the Irish won in '02 ... the Irish lead 23-15 in games won ... Debbie Brown holds a 29-23 career record against current members of the Big Ten Conference, including 24-22 at Notre Dame ... freshman Madison Clark (Sturgis, Sturgis HS, Dunes VBC) is the latest Michigan product to play for the Irish ... Michigan has produced eight Irish volleyball players, ranking it behind only California (23), Indiana (18), Illinois (18), and Texas (9) ... in a three-game win in 1993, ND's Jenny Birkner had 10 kills and no errors on 12 attempts for an .833 hitting percentage, the third-highest in a three-game match in Irish history.

Current Irish vs. Michigan

Brewster	2 MS/MP, 8 GP, 18/2.25 K, .313 (3 E, 48 TA), 7/0.88 D, 1 BS/11 BA/1.50, 2/0.25 SA, 26.5/3.13 PTS
Burrell	1 MP, 4 GP, 1 K, .000 (1 E, 2 TA), 15/3.75 A, 1/0.25 PTS
Heintzman	1 MP, 1 GP
Henican	2 MS/MP, 8 GP, 7/0.88 K, .154 (3 E, 26 TA), 29/3.63 D, 1 BA, 1 SA, 3/0.38 A, 8.5/1.06 PTS
Herndon	1 MP, 4 GP, 6/1.5 D
Kelbley	2 MS/MP, 8 GP, 30/3.75 K, .301 (8 E, 73 TA), 3/0.38 D, 1 BS/6 BA/0.88, 1 SA, 35/4.38 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 6/1.50 K, -.062 (8 E, 32 TA), 16/4.0 D, 1 BS/4 BA/1.25, 1 A, 9/2.25 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 2/0.50 K, .667 (0 E, 3 TA), 5/1.25 D, 1 BA, 39/9.75 A, 2.5/0.63 PTS

For match-by-match series history of Notre Dame vs. all schools, see pages 99-105.

Texas Longhorns

Saturday, Sept. 3 • 5:00 p.m. EST/CDT
 The Inn at Saint Mary's Shamrock Invitational
 Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
 Texas Leads Series 7-2

Location: Austin, TX
Founded: 1839
Enrollment: 52,273 (39,669 undergraduate)
Colors: Burnt Orange and White
Conference: Big 12
Home Court: Gregory Gym (4,400)
Athletics Director: Christine Plonsky



Head Coach: Jerritt Elliott (Cal State Northridge '91)
Record at UT (Yrs.): 81-42 (4)
Career Record (Yrs.): 131-53 (6)
Assistants: Brian Hosfeld (Long Beach State '91), Tonya Johnson (LSU '93)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 26-5 (16-4/2nd)
Postseason: NCAA round of 16 (d. Texas State 3-0, d. Michigan 3-1, l. Stanford 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: 11th
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Dariam Acevedo (OH, Jr., 5-10); Brandy Magee (MB, Jr., 6-2); Michelle Moriarty (S, So., 5-10); Alyson Jennings (L, So., 5-9)

Volleyball SID: Lizz Summers
Office: (512) 471-8236
Fax: (512) 471-6040
Email: lizz.summers@athletics.utexas.edu
Press Row: (512) 232-4971
Website: texassports.com

Notes: ND and UT will meet for the 2nd time in 3 seasons and the 10th time overall ... Texas holds a 7-2 advantage in the series, but ND won the most-recent meeting, 30-20, 36-34, 30-24 in the 2003 Longhorn Classic final in Austin ... this will be UT's 3rd all-time trip to the Joyce Center, but the 1st since 1995 ... the Longhorns are unbeaten at ND, winning 3-0 in 1989 and 3-1 in '95 ... at least one team has been ranked in the AVCA top 25 at the time of all of the previous 9 contests ... ND has been ranked higher in 4 of the last 5 meetings ... UT is 5-0 when ranked higher, while the teams have split the 4 meetings with the Irish listed higher ... Texas holds a 22-11 advantage in games won ... the Longhorns won the only 5-game affair, staving off an upset bid in their own Whataburger Invitational in 1988 by winning the final game 15-7 (UT was ranked 6th; ND unranked) ... the schools first met in 1987 in Austin, when #10 UT prevailed in 3 games ... after 4 straight defeats (winning just 2 total games), #12 ND beat #15 Texas for the first time in 1994 in Austin in four games ... ND and UT played four times from 1987-90 and on four more occasions from 1994-97 before a six-year hiatus ... Debbie Brown holds a 17-14 career record against current Big XII Conference schools, including a 12-12 mark coaching ND ... 9 Texas natives (4th-most) have played volleyball for the Irish, including current senior Carolyn Cooper (Houston, Lutheran South Acad., Houston Jrs.) ... the '94 match saw ND's Angie Harris serve up eight aces, which is the most-ever for an Irish player in a four-game match and second-highest sum in any-length contest ... a 3-1 UT win in '95 still stands as the longest match in Joyce Center history (2:45) and the second-longest the Irish have ever participated in.

Current Irish vs. Texas

Brewster	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 11/3.67 K, .318 (4 E, 22 TA), 1/0.33 A, 1/0.33 SA, 6/2.00 D, 4/1.33 BA, 14/4.67 PTS
Burrell	1 MP, 3 GP, 1/0.33 K, 1 TA, 20/6.67 A, 1/0.33 SA, 12/4.00 D, 2/0.67 PTS
Henican	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 6/2.00 K, .050 (5 E, 20 TA), 1/0.33 A, 9/3.00 D, 1/0.33 BA, 6.5/2.17 PTS
Herndon	1 MP, 3 GP, 9/3.00 D
Kelbley	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 8/2.66 K, .412 (1 E, 17 TA), 1/0.33 SA, 2/0.67 D, 6/2.00 BA, 12/4.00 PTS

Arizona State Sun Devils

Sunday, Sept. 4 • 2:00 p.m. EST/CDT
 The Inn at Saint Mary's Shamrock Invitational
 Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
 Arizona State Leads Series 3-0

Location: Tempe, AZ
Founded: 1885
Enrollment: 45,693
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Pacific-10
Home Court: Wells Fargo Arena (14,198)
Athletics Director: Lisa Love



Head Coach: Brad Saindon (Arizona State '76)
Record at ASU (Yrs.): 19-35 (2)
Career Record (Yrs.): 263-175 (14)
Assistants: Terri Spann (Arizona State '98), Jami Coughlin (Arizona State '02)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 10-17 (5-13/T-7th)
Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: --
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/1
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Tierra Burnley (MB, Jr., 5-11); Colette Meek (MB, So., 6-1); Rachel Mittelstaedt (S, So., 6-1); Nicole Morton (OH, Jr., 5-10); Nina Reeves (OH, Jr., 5-10); Staci Smith (MB, So., 6-2); Sarah Watkins (OH, Sr., 5-11)

Volleyball SID: Jeff Evans
Office: (480) 965-6594
Fax: (480) 965-5408
Email: jeff.evans@asu.edu
Press Row: (480) 965-7274
Website: thesundevils.com

Notes: The Irish and Sun Devils will meet for the first time since 1993 and fourth time overall ... ASU has won each of the previous matches ... this will be just the second trip to the Joyce Center for the Sun Devils and the first since 1985, when #11 Arizona State - coached then by current Irish mentor Debbie Brown - prevailed in three games ... ASU has been ranked in the top 20 at the time of each of the previous contests ... the Sun Devils have won nine of the 10 games between the schools ... ND and ASU first met in 1983 at a Thanksgiving tournament in Baton Rouge, La., with the #13 Sun Devils prevailing in three games ... the most-recent match saw the Irish earn their first-ever game victory against ASU (15-9 in the third), but the Sun Devils still prevailed in four games, in Tempe in 1993 ... following two years as an All-American at USC and a stint with the U.S. Olympic team, Brown completed her education at Arizona State, graduating in 1982 with a degree in physical education ... she then began her coaching career as an assistant at ASU under Dale Flickinger from 1980-82 before assuming the head-coaching duties in 1983 ... in six years leading the Sun Devils, Brown compiled a 117-83 record, while gaining five invitations to the NCAAs, finishing in the top 20 on four occasions, and being named Pac-10 Coach of the Year in 1986 ... other than the BIG EAST, Brown has more career victories against the Pac-10 (39) than vs. teams from any other conference ... current ND senior setter Kelly Burrell (Phoenix, Xavier College Prep, Arizona Jrs.) is the third Arizona native to play volleyball for the Irish ... Notre Dame director of athletics Kevin White held that same position at ASU prior to taking his current position in 2000.



Debbie Brown as ASU head coach (1983-88)



USC Women of Troy

Friday, Sept. 9 • 7:00 p.m. CDT
UTSA Dome Rally
San Antonio, TX • Alamodome
USC Leads Series 4-1

Location: Los Angeles, CA
Founded: 1880
Enrollment: 30,000
Colors: Cardinal and Gold
Conference: Pacific-10
Home Court: Lyon Center (1,304)
Athletic Director: Mike Garrett



Head Coach: Mick Haley (Ball State '65)
Record at USC (Yrs.): 114-11 (4)
Career Record (Yrs.): 887-199-1 (28)
Assistants: Todd Dagenais (Central Michigan '95),
Cookie Stevens (Florida International '81), Brandon
Crisp

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 23-6 (14-4/3rd)
Postseason: NCAA semifinals (d. Charleston 3-0, d.
Kansas State 3-0, d. San Diego, 3-1, d. Nebraska 3-2, l.
Minnesota 3-1)
Final AVCA Ranking: 4th
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Bibiana
Candelas (MB, Sr., 6-5); Alli Dillon (S, Jr., 5-7); Kimi
Freeburg (S, Jr., 5-9); Debora Seilhamer (DS/L, Jr., 5-5);
Staci Venski (MB, Sr., 6-3)

Volleyball SID: Jason Pommier
Office: (213) 740-3807
Fax: (213) 740-7584
Email: pommier@usc.edu
Press Row: (213) 746-4859
Website: usctrojans.com

Notes: The Irish and Trojans, traditional rivals in many sports, will meet for just the sixth time in volleyball and first since 2000 ... the schools were slated to play last year in the Gamecock Invitational, but USC elected not to compete in the tournament due to travel concerns involving a hurricane ... USC has won four of the previous meetings, including the last match, a five-game affair (15-11 in the fifth) in Los Angeles in 2000 ... ND's lone victory came in the 1995 Notre Dame Invitational, a 3-1 triumph ... this will be just the second neutral-site meeting between the schools, with S.C. winning the other, a four-game match in the 1987 Sportmart Mid-America Classic in Chicago ... each of the last four matches between the teams saw both schools carrying national rankings ... Notre Dame has never faced a USC team ranked lower than 12th ... S.C.'s win in 2000 is the only time the teams have played five games ... the Irish have visited USC three times (1992, '94, 2000) for matches over Thanksgiving weekend ... Troy has won 13 of the 19 games ... Irish head coach Debbie Brown (then Debbie Landreth) was a two-time first-team All-America outside hitter for USC from 1976-77, helping the Women of Troy to a 72-1 record and a pair of national championships before leaving to play for the U.S. national team ... Brown, who grew up in the L.A. suburb of El Segundo and graduated from El Segundo High School, also won the Mikasa Award as the nation's best all-around player in both '76 and '77 ... sophomore Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Los Alamitos HS) and freshman Mallorie Croal (Villa Park, Mater Dei HS), who both played for the Golden West Volleyball Club, are the latest Los Angeles-area products to play for the Irish ... ND has had more volleyball players from California (23) than from any other state ... the Trojans have twice snapped long Irish winning streaks, ending a 12-match victorious stretch in '94, as well as an 11-match winning streak in '00.

Oklahoma Sooners

Saturday, Sept. 10 • 1:30 p.m. CDT
UTSA Dome Rally
San Antonio, TX • Alamodome
Series Tied 2-2

Location: Norman, OK
Founded: 1890
Enrollment: 31,400
Colors: Crimson and Cream
Conference: Big 12
Home Court: McCasland Field House (2,000)
Athletics Director: Joe Castiglione



Head Coach: Santiago Restrepo (East Stroudsburg '86)
Record at OU (Yrs.): 12-17 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): 141-90 (6)
Assistants: Kelly Files (Southern Mississippi '02),
Steve Loeswick (USC '96), Jennifer Arbuckle (Virginia
Tech '98)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 12-17 (4-16/9th)
Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: --
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Jennifer
Adams (MB, Sr., 6-1); Julie Chester (S, So., 5-10); Joanna
Schmitt (OH, Jr., 5-10); Laura Tomes (MB, Jr., 6-2);
Gabriela Tonon (OH, Sr., 6-3)

Volleyball SID: Jessica Summers
Office: (405) 325-8372
Fax: (405) 325-7623
Email: jlsummers@ou.edu
Press Row: None
Website: soonersports.com

Notes: The Irish and Sooners will meet for the first time since 1995 and the fifth time overall ... the schools have split the previous contests ... in the most-recent match, #8 ND prevailed in three games at the Purdue Premier in West Lafayette, Ind. ... this will be the fourth neutral-site match between the teams, with the Irish having won two of the previous three ... both teams have won seven games in the series ... the first matchup was a 3-1 Sooner victory in the 1985 Georgia Classic in Athens ... in 1989, Notre Dame beat Oklahoma for the first time, notching a four-game win in a tournament at Louisiana State ... the only non-neutral match came in the 1990 Golden Dome Invitational in the Joyce Center, when Oklahoma won in three games ... Debbie Brown holds a 17-14 career record against current members of the Big XII Conference.



As an outside hitter at USC, Debbie Brown led the Women of Troy to a 72-1 record and a pair of national championships, while she twice won the Mikasa Award as the nation's best all-around player.

Florida Gators

Sunday, Sept. 11 • 11:00 a.m. CDT
UTSA Dome Rally
San Antonio, TX • Alamodome
Florida Leads Series 4-1

Location: Gainesville, FL
Founded: 1853
Enrollment: 48,673
Colors: Orange and Blue
Conference: Southeastern
Home Court: Stephen C. O'Connell Center (12,000)
Athletics Director: Jeremy Foley



Head Coach: Mary Wise (Purdue '81)
Record at UF (Yrs.): 459-48 (14)
Career Record (Yrs.): 540-111 (8)
Assistants: Nick Cheronis (Ball State '80), Arlisa
Hagan (Wisconsin '93)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 28-5 (15-1/T-1st East)
Postseason: SEC tournament runners-up (d. South
Carolina 3-0, d. Georgia 3-2, l. Tennessee 2-3); NCAA
second round (d. Florida A&M 3-0, l. Stanford 2-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: 15th
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Jane
Collymore (OH, Sr., 6-0); Rachel Engel (L/DS, Sr., 5-6);
Marcie Hampton (OH, So., 6-1); Kisyia Killingsworth
(MB/OPP, So., 6-3); Angie McGinnis (S, So., 5-11)

Volleyball SID: Mike Vietti
Office: (352) 375-4683, ext. 6120
Fax: (352) 375-4809
Email: mikev@gators.uca.ufl.edu
Press Row: (352) 367-1801
Website: gatorzone.com

Notes: The Irish and Florida will play for the first time since 2001 and the sixth time overall ... the Gators have won four of the previous five matches, including each of the last three ... in the most-recent contest, #7 Florida prevailed 3-1 against #25 Notre Dame in the '01 Florida Volleyball Challenge in Buena Vista ... the lone Irish victory in the series came in 1994 in Gainesville, when #12 ND upset #9 Florida in four games ... this will be the third neutral-site match between the schools, with the Gators having won both of the others ... both schools have been ranked among the national top 25 in four of the five previous matches ... Notre Dame has never faced a Florida team ranked lower than 10th ... the Gators lead 13-5 in games won ... the first meeting between the squads came in 1992 in the Purdue High-IQ tournament in West Lafayette, Ind., which produced a 3-0 victory for #10 UF over #22 ND ... the Gators visited the Joyce Center once, when they were ranked #2 in 1997, beating #20 ND in four games ... a season later, eighth-ranked Florida won 3-0 at home against the Irish ... Debbie Brown holds a 14-12 career record against current members of the Southeastern Conference, including an 11-8 mark while at Notre Dame ... junior Danielle Herndon (Plant City, Durant H.S., Tampa Bay Jrs.) and freshman Annie Mokris (Orlando, Bishop Moore H.S., Orlando Academy) are the latest Florida products to play volleyball for the Irish ... prior to that duo, only two natives of the Sunshine State had played for Notre Dame ... in the 1998 match, ND made just one serve error, which is tied for the fewest ever by the Irish in a match.



LSU Fighting Tigers

Friday, Sept. 16 • 4:30 p.m. CDT
Sugar Bowl Classic
New Orleans, LA • Fogelman Arena
LSU Leads Series 3-2



Location: Baton Rouge, LA
Founded: 1860
Enrollment: 31,582
Colors: Purple and Gold
Conference: Southeastern
Home Court: Pete Maravich Assembly Center (14,164)
Athletics Director: Skip Bertman

Head Coach: Fran Flory (Texas '84)
Record at LSU (Yrs.): 108-101 (7)
Career Record (Yrs.): 218-215 (14)
Assistants: Craig Bere (Morehead State '95), John Blackwell (Millsaps '92)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-12 (8-8/3rd West)
Postseason: SEC first round (I. Arkansas 2-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Melody Clark (MB/RS, Jr., 6-1); Ivana Kuzmic (MB, Sr., 6-4); Jelena Mijatovic (OH, Sr., 6-1); Kassi Mikulik (OH, Jr., 5-10); Daniela Romero (S, Jr., 5-8)

Volleyball SID: Melissa Reynaud
Office: (225) 578-1869
Fax: (225) 578-1861
Email: mreynaud@lsu.edu
Press Row: None
Website: lsusports.net

Notes: Notre Dame and the Tigers will play for the first time since 2001 and the sixth time overall ... it will be the first-ever Irish volleyball match in New Orleans and the team's first trip to Louisiana since 1989 ... LSU has won three of the previous five contests, but the Irish prevailed in the most-recent one, a three-game affair in the 2001 Florida Volleyball Challenge in Buena Vista ... that was the only previous neutral-site meeting between the schools, but the Tigers beat Notre Dame twice before in the state of Louisiana ... one of the schools has carried a national ranking in each of the last three matches ... the Tigers hold a 10-8 advantage in games won ... the schools played one five-game match, in which LSU rallied from being down 2-1 to prevail at home in 1989 (15-2 in the fifth) ... the schools first met in 1983, with the Tigers winning 3-0 at home ... in 1988, the Irish earned a 3-1 win at home, but LSU's second trip to the Joyce Center (in 1990) produced a three-game win ... Debbie Brown holds a 14-12 career record against current members of the Southeastern Conference, including an 11-8 mark while at Notre Dame ... senior co-captain Meg Henican (New Orleans, Isidore Newman H.S., Cajunland Juniors VBC) is the second Louisiana native ever to play volleyball for the Irish, following Kaitlin McEwen (1999, Baton Rouge, Bishop Sullivan H.S., Cajunland Juniors VBC) ... ND's Mary Kay Waller had five solo blocks against LSU in 1988, a total which still stands as the most-ever for an Irish player in a four-game contest and tied for the most-ever in any-length match ... the '90 match still stands as the largest margin of defeat ever for ND in the Joyce Center (35 points, 15-5, 15-5, 15-0) ... the Tigers finished that match with a .473 hitting percentage (44 kills, 8 errors, 76 attempts), which is the highest-ever for an opposing team in the Joyce Center.

Senior co-captain Meg Henican will lead her team into the Sugar Bowl Classic in her hometown of New Orleans in what will be the first-ever trip to Louisiana's largest city by the Irish volleyball team.

Tulane Green Wave

Saturday, Sept. 17 • 7:00 p.m. CDT
Sugar Bowl Classic
New Orleans, LA • Fogelman Arena
Notre Dame Leads Series 1-0



Location: New Orleans, LA
Founded: 1834
Enrollment: 13,214
Colors: Olive Green and Sky Blue
Conference: Conference USA
Home Court: Fogelman Arena (3,600)
Athletics Director: Rick Dickson

Head Coach: Liz Kritza (Tulane '00)
Record at Tulane (Yrs.): First Season
Career Record (Yrs.): First Season
Assistants: Sinisa Momic (Kinesiology-Zagreb '00), Ben Creed (Tulane '05)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-12 (6-7/T-6th)
Postseason: C-USA quarterfinals (d. Charlotte 3-1, l. Marquette 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 5/8
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kelli Dickson (L, Sr., 5-10); Blair Moon (RS, Sr., 6-0)

Volleyball SID: Richie Weaver
Office: (504) 865-5506
Fax: (504) 865-5512
Email: rweaver@tulane.edu
Press Row: (504) 862-8122
Website: tulane.greenwave.com

Notes: This will be just the second-ever meeting between Notre Dame and Tulane in women's volleyball ... the first match came in the 1986 Hackerman Showcase in Houston, Texas, with Notre Dame prevailing 15-9, 15-8, 15-6 ... this will be the first-ever trip for the Irish volleyball team to New Orleans, as well as the first appearance in the state of Louisiana since 1989 ... Notre Dame holds a 7-5 all-time record against current members of Conference USA ... Debbie Brown boasts a 6-1 mark vs. C-USA, including a 4-0 record while at ND ... senior co-captain Meg Henican (New Orleans, Isidore Newman H.S., Cajunland Juniors VBC) is the second Louisiana native ever to play volleyball for the Irish, following Kaitlin McEwen (1999, Baton Rouge, Bishop Sullivan H.S., Cajunland Juniors VBC).



Seton Hall Pirates

Sunday, Sept. 25 • 1:00 p.m. EST/CDT
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 10-0



Location: South Orange, NJ
Founded: 1856
Enrollment: 9,700
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Walsh Gymnasium (2,600)
Director of Athletics: Jeff Fogelson

Head Coach: Maureen Rafferty Del Rossi (Sacramento State '00)
Record at SHU (Yrs.): 9-23 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistant: Craig Dyer (Susquehanna '95)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 9-23 (2-8/10th)

Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Amber Davis (MB/RS, Sr., 6-0); Meghan Johnson (DS/OH, So., 5-11); Nicole Kelly (S, Jr., 5-9); Jessica King (MB, Jr., 6-3); Jessica Pompei (DS/L, Jr., 5-6); Jennifer Procnuniar (OH, So., 5-11); Allison Scholl (MH/RS, Sr., 6-1)

Volleyball SID: Vince Novicki
Office: (973) 761-9493
Fax: (973) 761-9061
Email: novickvi@shu.edu
Press Row: (973) 761-5810
Website: shupirates.com

Notes: Notre Dame and Seton Hall will meet for the 11th time, once each year since the Irish became a member of the BIG EAST Conference in 1995 ... the Irish have won all of the previous 10 meetings, winning 30 of 31 games ... a year ago, SHU broke through for its first game victory in a 30-24, 30-27, 26-30, 30-23 home defeat ... ND is 5-0 at home, having won all 15 games ... the 1996 match saw the Irish make just one service error, which is tied for the fewest ever in a match ... in 1997, Notre Dame turned in its second-best hitting performance in school history, with 47 kills and just six errors on 80 attempts for a .512 percentage ... the 2002 contest lasted just 1:14, making it the second-quickest affair since the 30-point format was adopted ... libero Meg Henican had 37 digs in last year's match, setting an Irish record for most digs in any-length match.

Current Irish vs. Seton Hall

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 34/3.78 K, .431 (6 E, 65 TA), 9/1.00 D, 2 BS/10 BA/1.33, 1/0.11 SA, 42/4.67 PTS
Burrell	3 MP, 9 GP, 1 E, 2 TA, 2/0.22 D, 1/0.11 BA, 25/2.78 A, 0.5 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/3 MP, 9 GP, 9/1.00 K, .238 (4 E, 21 TA), 2/0.22 D, 3 BS/4 BA/0.78, 1/0.11 A, 14/1.56 PTS
Henican	3 MP, 9 GP, 2/0.22 K, -.142 (3 E, 7 TA), 50/5.56 D, 2/0.22 SA, 3/0.33 A, 4/0.44 PTS
Herndon	2 MP, 6 GP, 6/1.00 D, 1/0.17 SA, 1/0.17 PTS
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 10 GP, 44/4.40 K, .391 (10 E, 87 TA), 10/1.00 D, 8/0.80 BA, 2/0.20 SA, 1/0.10 A, 50/5.00 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 15/3.75 K, .344 (4 E, 32 TA), 14/3.50 D, 3/0.75 BA, 2/0.50 SA, 3/0.75 A, 18.5/4.63
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 4 GP 1 K, .000 (1 E, 4 TA), 5/1.25 D, 1/0.25 BA, 46/11.5 A, 1.5/0.38 PTS



Loyola Chicago Ramblers

Tuesday, Sept. 27 • 7:00 p.m. CDT
Chicago, IL • Alumni Gym
Notre Dame Leads Series 13-3

Location: Chicago, IL
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 13,362
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Horizon League
Home Court: Alumni Gym (2,000)
Athletics Director: John Planeck



Head Coach: Marcie Bomhack (Notre Dame '02)
Record at Loyola (Yrs.): First season
Career Record (Yrs.): First season
Assistant: Lauren Mikos (Loyola Chicago '02)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 22-9 (10-4/3rd)
Postseason: Horizon tournament champions (d. UW-Green Bay 3-0, d. Butler 3-2, d. Cleveland State 3-2)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/4
Starters Returning (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Courtney Ashley (OH, Jr., 5-9); Ann Deelo (L, Jr., 5-8); Kathryn Langheld (MB, Jr., 6-1); Hilary Stromatch (MB, Sr., 6-3); Keily Zins (RS, So., 5-10)

Volleyball SID: Leo Krause
Office: (773) 508-2497
Fax: (773) 508-3855
Email: lkrause@luc.edu
Press Row: None
Website: loyolaramblers.com

Notes: ND and LUC, formerly foes in both the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate Conferences, will play for the 2nd straight year and 17th time overall ... ND holds a 13-3 advantage, including 9 straight wins ... ND opened the '04 season with a 30-24, 30-19, 17-30, 30-28 home victory ... this will be ND's first trip to Loyola since '94 and its first time playing a match in Chicago since '96 ... ND is 4-2 all-time in matches at LUC ... LUC was victorious in the first 2 contests, winning 2-0 in 1981 at Chicago St. before winning 3-2 at home in '83 ... ND got its first win in '85 in Chicago (3-2) and has won 13 of 14 since then ... LUC's lone victory during that time was a 3-1 decision in '90 in Chicago ... LUC and ND twice played in the conference title match, with the Irish winning 2-0 in '85 (NSC in St. Louis) and 3-1 in '92 (MCC in Pittsburgh) ... ND leads 41-17 in games won, having taken 19 of the last 21 (since '91) ... ND has won three of the four 5-game matches ... ND is 22-0 against current Horizon League members under head coach Debbie Brown and 37-11 all-time ... in the '92 MCC final, ND had 11 solo blocks, which is tied for its most-ever in a match ... LUC head coach Marcie Bomhack played for Notre Dame from 1998-2001 ... sophomore Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Maine South H.S., Sports Performance VBC) is the latest Chicago-area product to play for the Irish.

Current Irish vs. Loyola Chicago

Brewster	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 10/2.50 K, .121 (6 E, 33 TA), 1/0.25 A, 8/2.00 D, 1 BS/6 BA/1.75, 14/3.50 PTS
Burrell	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 1/0.25 K, .167 (0 E, 6 TA), 24/6.00 A, 2/0.50 D, 2/0.50 BA, 2/0.50 PTS
Cooper	1 MP, 2 GP
Heintzman	1 MP, 2 GP, 4/2.00 K, .667 (0 E, 6 TA), 1/0.50 A, 1/0.50 D, 2/1.00 BA, 5/2.50 PTS
Henican	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 10/2.50 K, .129 (6 E, 31 TA), 4/1.00 SA, 22/5.50 D, 1 BS/2 BA/0.75, 16/4.00 PTS
Herdon	1 MP, 4 GP, 4/1.00 D
Kelbley	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 15/3.75 K, .257 (6 E, 35 TA), 2/0.50 SA, 6/1.50 D, 1/0.25 BA, 17.5/4.38 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 4/1.00 K, .000 (4 E, 21 TA), 4/1.00 A, 5/1.25 SA, 14/3.50 D, 2/0.50 BA, 10/2.50 PTS
Tarutis	1 MP, 4 GP, 2 TA, 24/6.00 A, 14/3.50 D

Syracuse Orange

Friday, Sept. 30 • 7:00 p.m. EDT
Syracuse, NY • Manley Field House
Notre Dame Leads Series 12-1

Location: Syracuse, NY
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 10,800
Color: Orange
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Courts: Manley Field House (9,500), Women's Building (3,000)
Athletics Director: Dr. Daryl Gross



Head Coach: Jing Pu (Beijing Institute of Phys. Ed. '74)
Record at SU (Yrs.): 208-124 (10)
Career Record (Yrs.): 347-176 (15)
Assistants: Sarah Chlebana (Sacramento State '02), Jennifer Abbruzzese (UTEP '04)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 25-7 (8-2/T-2nd)
Postseason: BIG EAST semifinals (l. Pittsburgh 3-0)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/1
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kristin Conway (Sr., OH, 5-11); Kelly Duan (Sr., RS/MB, 5-11); Aila Dommestrup (Sr., S/RS, 6-0); Jen Malcom (MB, So., 6-1); Erin McQuillin (MB, Jr., 6-0)

Volleyball SID: Matt Lynch
Office: (315) 443-2608
Fax: (315) 443-2076
Email: suacpr@syr.edu
Press Row: (315) 443-1024
Website: suathletics.com

Notes: ND and SU will meet for the 11th consecutive season and 14th time overall ... Syracuse won the first match between the schools, but Notre Dame has won each subsequent affair, including 30-23, 30-24, 30-17 last season in Syracuse ... after losing 3-1 at Syracuse in 1981, Notre Dame has been victorious in each of its last five visits, dropping just one game ... the lone five-game affair between the schools came in the 1990 Rhode Island Invitational in Providence, with ND winning 16-14 for its first-ever win over SU ... the teams had met just twice prior to ND joining the BIG EAST Conference in '95 ... the schools also played in the '96 BIG EAST tournament, with the Irish winning 3-0 ... ND leads 37-7 in games won, including 33-2 in the BIG EAST era ... ND has won 14 in a row heading into this season, notching four consecutive 3-0 victories (SU's last game win was in 2000) ... New York has produced five Irish volleyball players, making it one of just six states to do so ... in the first BIG EAST contest (10/20/95) between the teams, Angie Harris had nine aces, which still stands as the most in any length match in ND history, even though she accomplished the feat in just three games ... in '96, the Irish made just one service error, which is tied for the fewest ever for a Notre Dame team in a match ... the Irish won by 37 points in '01 at the Joyce Center, which is tied for the third-largest margin of victory for Notre Dame under the 30-point format.

Current Irish vs. Syracuse

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 25/2.78 K, .233 (11 E, 60 TA), 4/0.44 D, 3 BS/15 BA/2.00, 3/0.33 SA, 1/0.11 A, 38.5/4.28 PTS
Burrell	3 MP, 6 GP, 2/0.33 K, .500 (0 E, 4 TA), 3/0.50 D, 1/0.17 BA, 11/1.83 A, 2.5/0.42 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/2 MP, 5 GP, 3/0.60 K, -.333 (5 E, 6 TA), 2 BS/6 BA/1.60, 8/1.60 PTS
Heintzman	1 MP, 1 GP, 1 TA
Henican	2 MP, 6 GP, 28/4.67 D, 2/0.33 SA 6/1.00 A, 2/0.33 PTS
Herdon	1 MP, 3 GP, 6/2.00 D
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 25/2.78 K, .327 (7 E, 55 TA), 5/0.56 D, 2 BS/14 BA/1.78, 2/0.22 SA, 36/4.00 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 6/2.00 K, .167 (3 E, 18 TA), 12/4.00 D, 5/1.67 BA, 2/0.67 SA, 10.5/3.5 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 1 K, 1 TA, 1/0.33 D, 1/0.33 SA, 25/8.33 A, 2/0.67 PTS

Marquette Golden Eagles

Sunday, Oct. 2 • 2:00 p.m. CDT
Milwaukee, WI • Al McGuire Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 7-0

Location: Milwaukee, WI
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 11,000
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Al McGuire Center (4,000)
Athletics Director: Bill Cords



Head Coach: Pati Rolf (North Dakota State '92)
Record at MU (Yrs.): 49-39 (3)
Career Record (Yrs.): 359-208 (16)
Assistants: Amy Wagner (Wisconsin '98), Todd Nelson (Minnesota-Duluth '98)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 22-7 (10-3/2nd C-USA)
Postseason: Conference USA runners-up (d. Tulane 3-0, d. Cincinnati 3-1, l. Louisville 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: --
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Theresa Coughlin (OH, Sr., 5-11); Jamie Mueller (OH, Jr., 5-10); Caitie O'Brien (DS, Sr., 5-7); Kimberley Todd (OH, So., 6-2)

Volleyball SID: Amy Ufnowski
Office: (414) 288-7447
Fax: (414) 288-6519
Email: amy.ufnowski@marquette.edu
Press Row: None
Website: gomarquette.com

Notes: The Irish and Golden Eagles, now rivals in the same conference for the third different time, will play for the first time since 1997 and the eighth time overall ... Notre Dame has won all seven previous matches, holding a 21-1 advantage in game victories ... the most-recent match saw the Irish triumph 15-3, 15-4, 15-5 in the Joyce Center in '97 ... Marquette is the only school that has been in all three of Notre Dame's volleyball conferences with the Irish ... the teams played as North Star Conference members from 1985-87 and then were Midwestern Collegiate Conference foes for one year (1990) before Marquette joined the BIG EAST prior to this season ... this will be just the second-ever trip by ND to Marquette ... the Irish won 15-8, 15-2, 15-2 in Milwaukee in 1986 ... this will be the first trip to Milwaukee for Notre Dame since that match ... the schools first met in 1985 in Dayton, Ohio, with the Irish prevailing in three games ... the teams played five times as NSC members and then once in '90, but have met just once since Marquette left the MCC ... 2002 graduate Marcie Bomhack (Waukesha, Catholic Memorial H.S., Milwaukee Sting VBC) - now the head coach at Loyola University Chicago - remains the only Wisconsin native ever to play volleyball for the Irish ... on Oct. 3, 1986, in the Joyce Center, ND finished with a .539 hitting percentage (52 kills, 4 errors, 89 attempts), which still stands as the highest in program history in any-length match.



In three career matches against Syracuse, Lauren Kelbley is averaging 2.78 kills on .327 hitting to go with 1.78 blocks.



Valparaiso Crusaders

Wednesday, Oct. 5 • 7:00 p.m. EST/CDT
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 19-3

Location: Valparaiso, IN
Founded: 1859
Enrollment: 3,900
Colors: Brown and Gold
Conference: Mid-Continent
Home Court: Athletics-Recreation Center (5,000)
Athletics Director: Mark LaBarbera



Head Coach: Carin Avery (Ball State '96)
Record at Valpo (Yrs.): 76-23 (3)
Career Record (Yrs.): 131-47 (6)
Assistants: Sue Ushela (Georgia '85), Heather Hynds (Valparaiso '04)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 29-5 (14-0/1st)
Postseason: Mid-Continent tournament champions (d. IUPUI 3-1, d. Oral Roberts 3-0); NCAA first round (l. Notre Dame 3-1)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Katie Bova (S, Sr., 5-8); Jessie Fox (MB, Jr., 6-2); Liz Mikos (MB, Sr., 6-4); Lauren Moulton (RS, Sr., 6-3); Jessi Novak (OH, Sr., 5-11); Amy Palash (OH, So., 5-10)

Volleyball SIDs: Bill Rogers/Aaron Leavitt
Office: (219) 464-6953
Fax: (219) 464-5762
Email: Bill.Rogers@valpo.edu, Aaron.Leavitt@valpo.edu
Press Row: (219) 548-1502
Website: valpo.edu/athletics

Notes: ND and VU, formerly North Star Conference rivals, will meet for the eighth consecutive year and 23rd time overall, which will tie Valpo for the most-common opponent in the history of ND varsity volleyball ... after VU won the first two meetings, ND won 18 in a row from 1981-2003 before the Crusaders prevailed 26-30, 30-24, 30-26, 24-30, 15-12 in the Joyce Center last season ... the teams met again in the 2nd round of the NCAAs, with ND winning 30-21, 20-30, 30-28, 30-20 ... the Irish had posted 10 straight 3-0 wins before '04 and have won 36 of the last 40 games (overall games: ND 58, VU 12) ... this will be VU's third trip in as many years to the Joyce Center, where they are 1-8 ... ND's 19 victories vs. VU are the most against any opponent ... ND won all five North Star matches from 1983-87, as well as a pair in the NSC tournament in Chicago ('86 and '87) ... the '03 match saw a pair of ND records, as Jessica Kinder had 28 digs, the most-ever in a three-game contest, and Emily Loomis set a mark for most kills in a match without an error, with 24 ... in '84, ND had 17 aces in a three-game victory over Valpo, the most-ever for the Irish in any length match.

Current Irish vs. Valparaiso

Brewster 4 MS/MP, 13 GP, 45/3.46 K, .252 (16 E, 115 TA), 23/1.77 D, 2 BS/26 BA/2.15, 60/4.62 PTS
Burrell 3 MP, 10 GP, 1K, 2 TA, 2/0.20 D, 26/2.60A
Cooper 1 MS/4 MP, 11 GP, 18/1.64 K, .259 (3 E, 58 TA), 6/0.55 D, 1 BS/8 BA/0.82, 4/0.36 A, 23/2.09 PTS
Heintzman 1 MP, 2 GP, 4/1.33 D
Henican 3 MS/4 MP, 15 GP, 9/0.60 K, .020 (8 E, 51 TA), 64/4.27 D, 2/0.10 BA, 2/0.13 SA, 5/0.3 A, 12/0.80 PTS
Herndon 3 MP, 8 GP, 1 TA, 20/2.5 D, 1/0.13 SA, 1/0.13 PTS
Kelbley 4 MS/MP, 13 GP, 46/3.54 K, .378 (9 E, 119 TA), 15/1.15 D, 9/0.60 BA, 6/0.40 SA, 56.5/3.77 PTS
Stasiuk 2 MS/MP, 9 GP, 30/3.33 K, 0.324 (8 E, 68 TA), 25/2.78 D, 2 BS/5 BA/0.78, 14/1.56 A, 36.5/4.06 PTS
Tarutis 2 MS/MP, 9 GP, 2/0.22 K, .000 (2 E, 14 TA), 33/3.67 D, 1 BS/1 BA/0.22, 1/0.11 SA, 92/10.22 A, 4.5/0.50 PTS

St. John's Red Storm

Saturday, Oct. 8 • 2:00 p.m. EDT
Jamaica, NY • Carnasecca Arena
Notre Dame Leads Series 10-0

Location: Jamaica, NY
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 19,000
Colors: Red and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Carnasecca Arena (6,008)
Athletic Director: Chris Monasch



Head Coach: Joanne Persico-Smith (Syracuse '87)
Record at SJU (Yrs.): 205-146 (11)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistant: Mario Treibitch

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 15-16 (1-9/11th)
Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/7
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): LaToya Blunt (OH, So., 6-1); Lisa Tedder (S, So., 5-10); Anicia Wood (MH, Sr., 6-2) Colaluca (L, So., 5-7)

Volleyball SID: Sabrina Polidoro
Office: (718) 990-1523
Fax: (718) 969-8468
Email: sabrina.polidoro01@stjohns.edu
Press Row: None
Website: redstormsports.com

Notes: The Irish and Red Storm will meet for the 11th time, once per season since Notre Dame became a member of the BIG EAST Conference in 1995 ... the Irish have won each of the previous 10 matches, taking 30 of 31 games ... in 2004, Notre Dame prevailed 30-16, 30-17, 30-20 in the Joyce Center ... this will be ND's fifth trip to Jamaica, where it has won all 12 previous games ... the schools first met in '95, with the Irish winning 15-0, 15-6, 15-4 to start a streak of 22 consecutive game victories over SJU ... the Red Storm's lone game win was a 30-25 triumph in the second game in '02 in the Joyce Center ... New York has produced five Irish volleyball players, making it one of just six states to do so ... in the 1998 match, Notre Dame finished with 20 blocks, which still stands as the most-ever for the Irish in a three-game contest ... the '01 affair saw the Irish take the first game 30-8, which is the largest margin of victory for Notre Dame in a game in school history ... last year's 37-point Irish triumph is tied for the third-largest margin of victory since the 30-point-game format was adopted.

Current Irish vs. St. John's

Brewster 3 MS/MP, 10 GP, 25/2.50 K, .274 (8 E, 62 TA), 5/0.50 D, 1 BS/15 BA/1.60, 4/0.40 SA, 40/4.00 PTS
Burrell 3 MP, 7 GP, 1 K, .500 (0 E, 2 TA), 6/0.86 D, 1/0.14 SA, 13/1.86 A, 2/0.26 PTS
Cooper 1 MS/2 MP, 4 GP, 5/1.25 K, .500 (1 E, 8 TA), 2/0.25 D, 4/1.00 BA, 7/1.75 PTS
Heintzman 1 MP, 1 GP, 3 TA
Henican 3 MP, 7 GP, 3/0.43 K, .222 (1 E, 9 TA), 24/3.43 D, 2/0.29 BA, 4/0.57 A, 4/0.57 PTS
Herndon 2 MP, 6 GP, 19/3.17 D, 2/0.33 SA, 1 A, 2/0.33 PTS
Kelbley 3 MS/MP, 10 GP, 27/2.70 K, .284 (8 E, 67 TA), 7/0.70 D, 1 BS/17 BA/1.80, 3/0.30 SA, 39.5/3.95 PTS
Stasiuk 1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 11/3.67 K, .643 (2 E, 14 TA), 9/3.00 D, 1 BA, 1 SA, 1 A, 12.5/4.17 PTS
Tarutis 1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 2/0.67 K, .200 (1 E, 5 TA), 3/1.00 D, 2/0.67 SA, 34/11.33 A, 4/1.33 PTS

Connecticut Huskies

Sunday, Oct. 9 • 2:00 p.m. EDT
Storrs, CT • Gampel Pavilion
Notre Dame Leads Series 14-1

Location: Storrs, CT
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 25,842
Colors: National Flag Blue and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Harry A. Gampel Pavilion (10,167)
Athletic Director: Jeffrey Hathaway



Head Coach: Holly Strauss (North Carolina '03)
Record at UConn (Yrs.): First season
Career Record (Yrs.): First season
Assistant: Tim O'Brien (Springfield '99), Ben Read (New Hampshire '02)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-11 (6-4/T-4th)
Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Heather Ashley (OH, Sr., 6-0); Kaitly Craig (MH, Jr., 6-3); Sade Chambers (MH, So., 6-3); Jenny Neelands (S, Sr., 5-9); Brittany Stewart (OH, So., 5-10)

Volleyball SID: Jennifer Hildebrand
Office: (860) 486-1498
Fax: (860) 486-5085
Email: jennifer.hildenbrand@uconn.edu
Press Row: None
Hotline: (860) 486-5050
Website: uconnhuskies.com

Notes: ND and UC will meet for the 16th time, with every contest coming since ND became a BIG EAST member in 1995 ... ND leads the series 13-1, including 11 straight wins ... ND won 30-20, 30-15, 22-30, 30-20 last year in the Joyce Center ... the Irish are 4-1 in Storrs, including three straight victories ... the teams have three times played five-game affairs, with UC gaining its only victory over ND in '98 (16-14 in the fifth after being down 2-1) in Storrs ... that was ND's first loss to a BIG EAST school since becoming a league member, ending a 41-match winning streak (35 reg. season, 6 tourn.) ... in the semis of that year's BIG EAST Champ., UC won the first two games before Notre Dame won 3 straight by 15-13 scores to start an 11-match winning streak against UC ... the teams met five consecutive years ('98-'02) in the league tourn. ... ND leads 44-9 in games won ... each of the last four matches — and five of the last six — have been 3-1 ND wins ... in '00, Christi Girton had 31 kills, the third-highest total ever by an Irish player and the last 30-kill match for ND.

Current Irish vs. Connecticut

Brewster 4 MS/MP, 16 GP, 46/2.88 K, .404 (8 E, 94 TA), 13/0.81 D, 3 BS/20 BA/1.56, 5/0.31 SA, 3/0.19 A, 66/4.13 PTS
Burrell 4 MP, 9 GP, 3/0.33 K, .250 (1 E, 8 TA), 6/0.67 D, 7.5/0.83 PTS
Cooper 1 MS/2 MP, 6 GP, 8/1.33 K, .350 (1 E, 20 TA), 4/0.67 BA, 1 A, 10/1.67 PTS
Heintzman 1 MP, 1 GP, 1 K, 1 TA, 1 PT
Henican 4 MP, 16 GP, 9/0.56 K, .032 (8 E, 31 TA), 68/4.25 D, 1 BS/1 BA/0.13, 3/0.19 SA, 5/0.31 A, 13.5/0.84 PTS
Herndon 2 MP, 8 GP, 23/2.88 D, 2/0.25 SA, 1/0.13 A, 2/0.25 PTS
Kelbley 4 MS/MP, 14 GP, 49/3.50 K, .340 (14 E, 103 TA), 13/0.93 D, 3 BS/10 BA/0.93, 1 SA, 58.5/4.18 PTS
Stasiuk 1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 13/3.25 K, .188 (7 E, 32 TA), 18/4.50 D, 3/0.75 BA, 2/0.50 A, 14.5/3.63 PTS
Tarutis 1 MS/MP, 4 GP, 5/1.25 K, .714 (0 E, 7 TA), 11/2.75 D, 2/0.50 BA, 1/0.25 SA, 44/11.0 A, 7/1.75 PTS



DePaul Blue Demons

Saturday, Oct. 15 • 2:00 p.m. CDT
Chicago, IL • DePaul Athletic Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 6-4

Location: Chicago, IL
Founded: 1898
Enrollment: 23,600
Colors: Royal Blue and Scarlet
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: DePaul Athletic Center (3,000)
Athletics Director: Jean Lenti Ponsetto



Head Coach: Dawn Dockstader (Montana Tech '88)
Record at DePaul (Yrs.): 112-142 (8)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Julie Wiewjak (Loyola Chicago '00), Amy Holmes (DePaul '05)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 11-20 (3-10/T-8th C-USA)
Postseason: Conference USA first round (l. Memphis 3-0)
Final AVCA Ranking: --
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Denae Gibson (MB, Jr., 6-1); Ellen Hayes (MB, Jr., 5-11); Morgan Ingersoll (OH, Jr., 6-1); Mandy Moorberg (OH, Sr., 5-10)

Volleyball SID: Alicia Powers
Office: (773) 325-4740
Fax: (773) 325-7531
Email: apowers1@depaul.edu
Press Row: (773) 325-4901
Website: depaulbluedemons.com

Notes: The Irish and the Blue Demons, formerly foes in the North Star Conference, will meet for the first time since 1995 and the 11th time overall ... Notre Dame holds a 6-4 advantage in the all-time series, including wins in each of the last two matches ... the most-recent matchup between the schools was a 15-2, 15-1, 15-2 win by the Irish in Chicago in 1995, which took just 40 minutes, making it the quickest match in Notre Dame history ... DePaul's last victory against ND was a 3-1 win in the 1991 Miami Invitational in Oxford, Ohio ... ND holds a 3-1 record at DePaul, having lost in four games in its initial trip (1985) ... this will be the first Irish volleyball match in Chicago in nine years, since playing in the 1996 Mizuno USA Cup at Mother McAuley High School ... both of the last two matches have seen Notre Dame ranked among the top 15 in the nation ... the Irish hold a 20-11 advantage in games won ... the teams have never played a five-game match ... all six of ND's victories have been in three games ... the schools first played in the 1983 Xavier Invitational in Cincinnati, Ohio, with the Blue Demons winning 2-0 ... the first Irish win came in 1984 in the Joyce Center in a 3-0 decision ... since 1986, DePaul has won just once in six matches ... sophomore Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Maine South H.S., Sports Performance VBC) is the latest Chicago-area product to play volleyball for the Irish ... Illinois has produced 18 ND players, which ties it with Indiana as the second-most-common home state in program history (California-23) ... on Oct. 4, 1986, ND's Mary Kay Waller had 12 kills and no errors on 13 attempts for a .923 hitting percentage that still stands as the highest-ever for an Irish player in any-length match ... on Sept. 26, 1995, the Blue Demons finished with a -.110 hitting percentage (17 kills, 25 errors, 73 attempts), which still stands as the lowest-ever by an ND opponent ... the 40-point victory margin in that match is tied for the fourth-highest margin ever for the Irish.

Illinois State Redbirds

Monday, Oct. 17 • 7:00 p.m. CDT
Normal, IL • Redbird Arena
Notre Dame Leads Series 11-6

Location: Normal, IL
Founded: 1857
Enrollment: 20,419
Colors: Red and White
Conference: Missouri Valley
Home Court: Redbird Arena (10,200)
Athletics Director: Dr. Sheahon Zenger



Head Coach: Sharon Dingman (N. Michigan '84)
Record at ISU (Yrs.): 91-61 (5)
Career Record (Yrs.): 280-175 (14)
Assistants: Jenny Fuente (Illinois State '02), Rob Beam (Clarke '96)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 22-9 (13-5/T-2nd)
Postseason: Missouri Valley semifinals (d. Creighton 3-0, l. Wichita State 3-1)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Laura Doornbos (OH, Sr., 6-0); Ashley Grubb (OH, Sr., 5-11); Emily Kabbes (MB, Sr., 6-2); Savannah Knowles (OH, Jr., 5-10); Kari Staehlin (MB, So., 6-2)

Volleyball SID: Tom Lamonica
Office: (309) 438-5746
Fax: (309) 438-5634
Email: tlamon@ilstu.edu
Press Row: (309) 438-5950/8217
Website: redbirds.org

Notes: ND and ISU will meet for the 10th consecutive season and 18th time overall ... ND leads the series 11-6 and has won each of the last six ... ND won 30-25, 34-32, 25-30, 23-30, 15-10 in the Joyce Center in '04 ... the last ISU win came in '98 in Normal (3-1) ... ISU is the most-common out-of-state non-conference opponent in Irish history ... ND is 3-4 all-time in Normal, but has won in both of its last two trips ('00 and '02) ... ND has won five of the eight 3-2 matches ... the teams played six consecutive five-gamers from '89-97 and then again in 2001 and '04 ... ND leads in games won 40-31 ... the Irish are 27-13 all-time against current members of the Missouri Valley Conference ... Debbie Brown is 18-7 against the Valley, including 16-7 at Notre Dame ... sophomore Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Maine South HS, Sports Performance VBC) is the latest Illinois product to play for the Irish ... a total of 18 Notre Dame volleyball players have hailed from Illinois ... in 1992, ISU rallied from a 2-1 deficit to win in five games to snap 21st-ranked ND's school-record streak of eight consecutive wins on opponents' home courts ... ND had 11 aces, which is tied for the most in a five-game affair, in the '97 match, in which the Irish won the final two games (16-14, 15-9) to prevail in five ... ND's 3-2 win in 2001 featured 261 combined points, which is the most ever in an Irish match ... the 134 by ND matches the school record.

Current Irish vs. Illinois State

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 12 GP, 41/3.42 K, .407 (6 E, 86 TA), 20/1.67 D, 2 BS/16 BA/1.50, 5/0.42 SA, 1 A, 56/4.67 PTS
Burrell	2 MP, 7 GP, 1 D, 1 BA, 16/2.29 A, 0.5 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/MP, 7 GP, 3/0.43 K, .000 (3 E, 14 TA), 3/0.43 D, 3 BS/7 BA/1.43, 9.5/1.36 PTS
Henican	3 MP, 11 GP, 1 K, -.200 (2 E, 5 TA), 35/3.18 D, 1 SA, 6/0.55 A, 2/0.18 PTS
Herndon	2 MP, 8 GP, 11/1.38 D, 2/0.25 SA, 2/0.25 A, 2/0.25 PTS
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 12 GP, 46/3.83 K, .413 (13 E, 80 TA), 8/0.67 D, 3 BS/10 BA/1.08, 4/0.33 SA, 58/4.83 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 5 GP, 14/2.80 K, .119 (9 E, 42 TA), 11/2.2 D, 11/2.2 BA, 2/0.40 SA, 3/0.60 A, 21.5/4.3 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 5 GP, 4/0.80 K, .375 (1 E, 8 TA), 17/3.40 D, 51/10.2 A, 4/0.80 PTS

South Florida Bulls

Friday, Oct. 21 • 4:00 p.m. EST/CDT
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
First Meeting

Location: Tampa, FL
Founded: 1956
Enrollment: 41,395
Colors: Green and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: The Corral (1,000)
Athletics Director: Doug Woolard



Head Coach: Claire Lessinger (Florida '97)
Record at USF (Yrs.): 9-20 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Nikki Shade (Florida '98), Erik Peterson (Concordia '99)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 9-20 (5-8/T-8th C-USA)
Postseason: Conference USA first round (l. Saint Louis 2-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kristina Fabris (MB/RS, So., 5-11); Juliana Nogueira (S, Sr., 5-9); Ashley Reavis (DS/L, Jr., 5-8); Flavia Silveira (MB/OH, Sr., 5-9); Michelle Stalbaum (OH, So., 5-10); Johari Williams (OH, Jr., 5-9)

Volleyball SID: Rachel Constantine
Office: (813) 974-0415
Fax: (813) 974-5328
Email: rachelc@admin.usf.edu
Press Row: None
Website: gousfbulls.com

Notes: This will be the first-ever meeting between Notre Dame and South Florida in women's volleyball ... the match will be played immediately before the pep rally for the ND-Brigham Young football game scheduled for the following day ... the Irish have won four in a row against first-time opponents, first beating the College of Charleston in the opening round of the 2002 NCAA tournament before downing Fresno State, Sacramento State, and UC Irvine in regular-season play a year ago ... the last first-time defeat for ND came on Nov. 15, 2002, in a five-game match at Miami (15-7 in the fifth) ... junior Danielle Herndon (Plant City, Durant H.S., Tampa Bay Juniors VBC) and freshman Annie Mokris (Orlando, Bishop Moore H.S., Orlando VB Academy) are the latest Florida products to play volleyball for the Irish ... prior to that duo, only two natives of the Sunshine State had played for Notre Dame ... Herndon is the second Tampa-area product to play for the Irish, following standout middle blocker Mary Leffers (1996-99, Tampa, Berkeley Prep School, Tampa Bay Juniors VBC) ... ND and USF have met 15 times previously in other sports, with the Bulls leading 8-7 ... nine of those games were in softball (USF leads 5-4).



Tampa-area native Danielle Herndon will take part in the first-ever volleyball match between Notre Dame and South Florida, which joined the BIG EAST for the 2005 season.



Georgetown Hoyas

Sunday, Oct. 23 • 2:00 p.m. EDT
Washington, DC • McDonough Gym
Notre Dame Leads Series 14-1



Location: Washington, DC
Founded: 1789
Enrollment: 6,537 (undergraduate), 13,164 (total)
Colors: Blue and Gray
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: McDonough Gym (2,200)
Athletic Director: Bernard Muir

Head Coach: Li Liu (George Washington '96)
Record at GU (Yrs.): 104-71 (6)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistant: Mitch Sadowsky (Ball State '98)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-12 (4-6/7th)
Postseason: None

Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Annie Connor (MB, Jr., 6-0); Kate Fisher (S, So., 5-9)

Volleyball SID: Renee Constantinides Carter
Office: (202) 687-2492
Fax: (202) 687-6591
Email: constanr@georgetown.edu
Press Row: None
Website: guhoyas.com

Notes: The Irish and Hoyas will meet for the 11th consecutive season and 16th time overall ... Notre Dame has won all but one of the previous contests, including each of the last six ... in 2004, the Irish won 30-24, 30-23, 30-22 in Washington ... this will be GU's sixth trip to the Joyce Center, where it has won two total games ... the teams have twice played five-game matches, with the Irish prevailing in both (1999 and 2001 BIG EAST semifinals) ... the lone victory for Georgetown was a 15-11, 15-10, 15-8 triumph in the title match of the 1999 BIG EAST Championship in Pittsburgh, which made the Hoyas the first team (and still one of only two) to defeat Notre Dame in the BIG EAST tournament ... the schools played twice before the Irish became a member of the BIG EAST ... the Irish won 15-1, 15-6, 10-15, 15-6 in Washington in 1986 in the first-ever meeting and then were victorious again in four games in the 1992 William & Mary Invitational ... Notre Dame, ranked 10th, took the first BIG EAST meeting 15-11, 15-3, 15-6, in '95 ... the teams have played three times in the BIG EAST Championship at Pittsburgh, with the Irish winning in 1998 (3-0) and in 2001 (3-2, 15-11 in the fifth) ... Georgetown's '99 win snapped an eight-match losing streak against the Irish ... Notre Dame leads in games won 42-11.

Current Irish vs. Georgetown

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 31/3.44 K, .343 (8 E, 67 TA), 9/1.00 D, 2 BS/12 BA/1.56, 6/0.67 SA, 2/0.22 A, 45/5.00 PTS
Burrell	2 MP, 6 GP, 2 TA, 3/0.50 D, 13/2.17 A
Cooper	1 MS/2 MP, 5 GP, 9/1.80 K, .475 (2 E, 16 TA), 1 BS/5 BA/1.20, 1 A, 12.5/2.5 PTS
Heintzman	1 MP, 1 GP
Henican	3 MP, 9 GP, -1.000 (3 E, 4 TA), 29/3.22 D, 8/0.89 A
Herdon	2 MP, 6 GP, 8/1.33 D, 1 A
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 37/4.11 K, .500 (6 E, 62 TA), 8/0.89 D, 10/1.11 BA, 2/0.22 SA, 1 A, 46/5.11 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 11/3.67 K, .348 (3 E, 23 TA), 7/2.33 D, 3/1.00 BA, 2/0.67 SA, 1 A, 14.5/4.83 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 2/0.67 K, .500 (0 E, 4 TA), 8/2.67 D, 1 BS/2 BA/1.00, 1 SA, 31/10.33 A, 5/1.67 PTS

Louisville Cardinals

Saturday, Oct. 29 • 2:00 p.m. EST/CDT
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 12-3



Location: Louisville, KY
Founded: 1798
Enrollment: 21,089
Colors: Red and Black
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Cardinal Arena (840)
Athletic Director: Tom Jurich

Head Coach: Leonid Yelin (Uzbekistan Govt. Inst. of Phys. Culture & Sports '70)
Record at U of L (Yrs.): 225-64 (9)
Career Record (Yrs.): 339-100 (14)
Assistants: Chad Norton (Louisville '99), Melissa Starck (Western Kentucky '01)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 30-3 (13-0/1st C-USA)
Postseason: Conference USA tournament champions (d. Houston 3-0, d. Memphis 3-0, d. Marquette 3-0); NCAA round of 16 (d. Illinois 3-1, d. Missouri 3-1, l. Nebraska 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: 16th
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Jennifer Craven (S, Sr., 5-9); Jennifer Hoffman (MB, Sr., 6-1); Lena Ustyomenko (OH, Sr., 6-3); Ana Yartseva (OH, Jr., 6-4)

Volleyball SID: Nancy Worley
Office: (502) 852-6581
Fax: (502) 852-7401
Email: nasmit01@louisville.edu
Press Row: (502) 852-0084
Website: uoflsports.com

Notes: The Irish and Cardinals will meet for the second time in three seasons and the 16th time overall ... ND holds a 12-3 advantage in the all-time series, but then #19 Louisville prevailed in the most-recent match over the #21 Irish, 32-30, 30-21, 30-21 in the opening round of the '03 NCAA Championship in Urbana, Ill. ... the last ND victory was a 16-14, 15-13, 15-4 decision in the '99 Shamrock Invitational in the Joyce Center, which was U of L's last visit to the facility ... ND has faced U of L more times than any of the other new members of the BIG EAST Conference ... the Irish are 6-1 all-time at home against the Cardinals, with the lone blemish a five-game affair in the '96 Big Four Classic (15-12 in the fifth for #19 U of L over #8 ND) ... at least one team has carried a national ranking in nine of the last 11 matches between the squads ... Notre Dame is 5-2 when ranked higher than Louisville, while the Cards are 1-1 when being higher-ranked ... the Irish lead 39-19 in games won ... the schools have played three 5-game matches, coming in consecutive years from 1994-96 (ND won first 2) ... the schools first played in '86, with the Irish winning 3-0 in Louisville ... after six consecutive ND wins, U of L broke through at home in '92 with a 3-1 upset of #20 ND ... the teams played 14 times in regular-season action from 1986-99, but have not met since then other than in the '03 NAAs ... sophomore Ellen Heintzman (Louisville, Sacred Heart Acad., KIVA) is just the second Kentucky native ever to play volleyball for the Irish, following another Louisville product, Andrea Armento (1991-92, Sacred Heart Academy, KIVA) ... if ND qualifies for the BIG EAST Championship, it will be the first time the Irish have played in Louisville since 1994 ... ND had 94 kills in the '94 affair, which is the fifth-most ever by any team in the Joyce Center.

Current Irish vs. Louisville

Brewster	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 16/5.33 K, .173 (7 E, 52 TA), 2/0.67 SA, 7/2.33 D, 2/0.67 BA, 19/6.33 PTS
Burrell	1 MP, 2 GP, 1/0.50 A
Cooper	1 MP, 3 GP, 1 TA
Henican	1 MP, 3 GP, 17/5.67 D
Herdon	1 MP, 3 GP, 1 TA, 1/0.33 SA, 11/3.67 D, 1/0.33 PTS
Kelbley	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 11/3.67 K, .233 (4 E, 30 TA), 5/1.67 D, 4/1.33 BA, 13/4.33 PTS

Cincinnati Bearcats

Sunday, Oct. 30 • 2:00 p.m. EST
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 3-0



Location: Cincinnati, OH
Founded: 1819
Enrollment: 34,000
Colors: Red and Black
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Fifth Third Arena (13,176)
Athletic Director: Bob Goin

Head Coach: Reed Sunahara (UCLA '84)
Record at UC (Yrs.): 119-44 (5)
Career Record (Yrs.): 138-84 (7)
Assistants: Chrissy Smith (Cincinnati '98), Steve Aird (Penn State '00)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 22-11 (10-3/T-2nd C-USA)

Postseason: Conference USA semifinals (d. Saint Louis 3-0, l. Marquette 1-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: --
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Jenny Custer (RS, So., 6-0); Myanna Hellsten (MB, Jr., 6-3); Noel Olson (S, Jr., 5-7); Maria Pongonis (OH, Sr., 5-11)

Volleyball SID: Shawn Sell
Office: (513) 556-0618
Fax: (513) 556-0619
Email: shawn.sell@uc.edu
Press Row: (513) 556-3800
Website: ucbearcats.com

Notes: The Irish and Bearcats will play for the third time since 2000 and the fourth time overall ... Notre Dame has won all three previous matches ... the most-recent match came in the 2002 Shamrock Invitational in the Joyce Center, with the #25 Irish winning 30-19, 30-24, 30-23 ... current senior Lauren Kelbley had 12 kills and 0 errors for 600 hitting in the contest ... that was Cincinnati's only other visit to the Joyce Center ... ND has been ranked in the top 25 at the time of each of the last two contests ... the Irish hold a 9-2 advantage in games won in the series ... the first-ever match between the teams was a five-game affair in the 1987 Eastern Kentucky Colonel Invitational in Richmond (15-10 in the fifth) ... the schools then did not play again until ND won 15-2, 15-12, 15-10 in the opening round of the 2000 NCAA tournament in Columbus, Ohio ... senior Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Hopewell-Loudon H.S., Black Swamp VBC) is the fourth Ohio native to play volleyball for the Irish ... one of the top players in the early history of ND's program hailed from Cincinnati: OH Mary Jo Hensler (1981-84, Mother of Mercy H.S.) ... another Cincinnati native, S/H Jenny Reilly (St. Ursula H.S.), was on the Irish roster in 1990, but did not see action ... ND's Zamette Bennett cranked 31 kills against the Bearcats in the '87 match, a total which stands tied for the third-highest ever by an Irish player in any-length match ... she finished with a .529 hitting mark (4 errors, 51 attempts) in that match, which is the second-highest mark in program history in a five-game affair.

Current Irish vs. Cincinnati

Brewster	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 8/2.67 K, .412 (1 E, 17 TA), 2/0.67 A, 1 BS/9 BA/3.33, 13.5/4.50 PTS
Kelbley	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 12/4.00 K, .600 (0 E, 20 TA), 1/0.33 SA, 4/1.33 D, 1 BS/1 BA/0.67, 14.5/4.83 PTS



Saint Louis Billikens

Wednesday, Nov. 2 • 7:00 p.m. EST
 Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
 Notre Dame Leads Series 7-4

Location: St. Louis, MO
Founded: 1818
Enrollment: 11,217
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: Atlantic 10
Home Court: Bauman-Eberhardt Center (2,200)
Athletics Director: Cheryl L. Levick



Head Coach: Anne Kordes (Louisville '98)
Record at SLU (Yrs.): 15-17 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistant: Betsy Spicer (Illinois '01)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 15-17 (6-7/6th C-USA)
Postseason: Conference USA quarterfinals (d. South Florida 3-2, l. Cincinnati 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Aida Antanaviciute (MB, Sr., 6-0); Lauren Boissevain (OH/S, Sr., 5-10); Chrissy King (OH, So., 5-10); Sutton Lasater (MB, So., 6-2); Erin McCleanahan (S, Sr., 5-9)

Volleyball SID: Chuck Yahng
Office: (314) 977-3346
Fax: (314) 977-7193
Email: yahngc@slu.edu
Press Row: None
Website: slubillikens.com

Notes: The Irish and Billikens, formerly rivals in both the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate Conferences, will play for the fourth time since 2000 and the 12th time overall ... ND leads the series 7-4, but the teams have split the last four meetings ... in the most-recent match, ND prevailed 30-25, 30-13, 30-19 in the 2002 Loyola Marymount Classic in Los Angeles ... the last SLU win came in 2001, when it upset #21 ND 16-30, 30-27, 30-21, 30-27 at home ... Saint Louis last played in the Joyce Center in 2000, when the 21st-ranked Irish won 3-0 ... ND is 3-0 all-time at home against SLU ... the Irish lead 28-15 in games won ... 3 of the 4 Saint Louis victories have come in 5-game matches ... in '83, the Billikens won 3-2 (15-12 in the 5th) at home in the first-ever meeting between the schools and then duplicated that feat less than a month later in the North Star tournament in Dayton, Ohio (15-3 in the 5th) ... the teams also played a pair of 5-game matches in '90, with ND winning the first (15-12 in the fifth) at home, and SLU taking the second in the MCC tournament 3rd-place match in Cincinnati, Ohio (15-12 in the fifth) ... ND's first win over SLU came at home in '84 in a 3-0 decision, which began a 5-match winning streak ... ND holds a 32-9 all-time record against current members of the Atlantic 10 ... Debbie Brown boasts a 17-1 mark vs. the A-10, including a 15-1 record while at ND ... ND had two St. Louis natives and St. Louis Elite VBC products play for them from 2000-03: Kim Fletcher (Nerinx Hall H.S.) and Katie Neff (Cor Jesu Academy), who is now a member of the ND Monogram Club board of directors ... those are the only two Mo. products ever to play for the Irish ... ND had 11 solo blocks vs. SLU on Sept. 8, 1990, which still stands as the most-ever for the Irish in a 5-game match ... ND had 293 attack attempts on Nov. 17, 1990, which is its most in a match in school history.

Current Irish vs. Saint Louis

Brewster	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 4/1.33 K, .400 (0 E, 10 TA), 3/1.00 BA, 1.83/5.5 PTS
Burrell	1 MP, 1 GP, 2 A
Cooper	1 MP, 2 GP, 1 BA, 0.5 PTS
Henican	1 MP, 3 GP, 2/0.67 D
Kelbley	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 8/2.67 K, .429 (2 E, 14 TA), 4/1.33 SA, 1 BS/3 BA/1.33, 14.5/4.83 PTS

West Virginia Mountaineers

Saturday, Nov. 5 • 2:00 p.m. EST
 Morgantown, WV • WVU Coliseum
 Notre Dame Leads Series 10-2

Location: Morgantown, WV
Founded: 1867
Enrollment: 24,255
Colors: Old Gold and Blue
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: WVU Coliseum (14,000)
Athletic Director: Ed Pastilong



Head Coach: Veronica Hammersmith (Kansas '67)
Record at WVU (Yrs.): 521-485 (30)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Sean Daly (Keene State '97), Camille Gutierrez (Sacramento State '04)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 18-13 (4-6/T-6th)
Postseason: None
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Gina Cusamelli (S, Jr., 6-1); Aurora Ebert-Santos (L, Jr., 5-8); Julie Hockenson (MB, Sr., 6-0); Kelly Mullins (OH, Sr., 5-11); Stephanie Zolna (OH, Sr., 6-0)

Volleyball SID: Erin Robertson
Office: (304) 293-2821
Fax: (304) 293-4105
Email: erobert3@mix.wvu.edu
Press Row: (304) 293-2821
Website: MSNSportsNET.com

Notes: The Irish and the Mountaineers will meet for the 12th consecutive season and 13th time overall ... Notre Dame has won 10 of the previous 12 contests, including each of the last six ... the Irish were victorious 30-23, 30-25, 30-19 in 2004 in the Joyce Center ... ND is 4-1 at WVU, including three straight victories ... the teams played twice before the Irish joined the BIG EAST Conference in 1995 ... in the first-ever meeting, West Virginia won 15-10, 7-15, 4-15, 15-12, 15-9 in the National Invitation Volleyball Championship postseason tournament in Fairborn, Ohio ... the Irish gained their first win over the Mountaineers in 1994 in the Joyce Center in four games ... after winning the next three in straight games, Notre Dame lost 15-3, 15-5, 15-7 in Morgantown in 1998, which marked just the second loss to a conference team in 50 matches since becoming a BIG EAST member ... the Irish lead 32-9 in games won ... in the NIVC match, Notre Dame's Jessica Fiebelkorn posted the highest hitting percentage ever for an ND player in a five-game match, with 13 kills and only two errors on 20 swings for a .550 mark ... in '94, the Irish set a Joyce-Center record with 15 service aces, including six by Angie Harris, which is tied for the third-highest total in school history.

Current Irish vs. West Virginia

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 10 GP, 32/3.20 K, .403 (5 E, 67 TA), 10/1.00 D, 1 BS/19 BA/2.00, 2/0.20 SA, 1/0.10 A, 44.5/4.45 PTS
Burrell	3 MP, 7 GP, 1 K, 1 TA, 1 BA, 12/1.71 A, 1.5/0.13 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/3 MP, 8 GP, 19/2.38 K, .400 (5 E, 35 TA), 9/1.13 D, 2 BS/12 BA/0.74, 1/0.13 SA, 28/3.50 PTS
Heintzman	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 7/2.33 K, .182 (3 E, 22 TA), 1/0.33 D, 1/0.33 BA, 7.5/2.5 PTS
Henican	3 MP, 7 GP, 39/5.57 D, 3/0.43 A
Herndon	2 MP, 5 GP, 1 TA, 6/1.20 D
Kelbley	2 MS/MP, 5 GP, 13 K, .333 (4 E, 27 TA), 1/0.20 D, 6/1.20 BA, 2/0.40 SA, 1/0.20 A, 18/3.60 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 6/2.00 K, -.105 (8 E, 19 TA), 16/5.33 D, 1 BS/3 BA/1.33, 3/1.00 SA, 5/1.67 A, 11.5/3.83 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 1/0.33 K, .143 (0 E, 7 TA), 5/1.67 D, 4/1.33 SA, 39/13.00 A, 5/1.67 PTS

Pittsburgh Panthers

Sunday, Nov. 6 • 2:00 p.m. EST
 Pittsburgh, PA • Fitzgerald Field House
 Notre Dame Leads Series 18-5

Location: Pittsburgh, PA
Founded: 1787
Enrollment: 33,792
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Fitzgerald Field House (6,798)
Athletic Director: Jeff Long



Head Coach: Chris Beerman (Ball State '91)
Record at Pittsburgh (Yrs.): 100-52 (5)
Career Record (Yrs.): 190-88 (9)
Assistants: Jason Kepner (Penn State '97), Alija Pittenger (Michigan '01)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 21-11 (8-2/T-2nd)
Postseason: BIG EAST runner-up (d. Syracuse 3-0, l. Notre Dame 0-3); NCAA first round (l. Ohio 0-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: —
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Diana Andreyko (OH, So., 5-11); Azadeh Boroumand (S, Jr., 6-0); Megan McGrane (L, Sr., 5-7); Gini Ullery (OH, Sr., 5-9); Ashley White (OH/MH, Sr., 6-1)

Volleyball SID: Brad Cuprik
Office: (412) 648-1018
Fax: (412) 648-8240
Email: bcuprik@athletics.pitt.edu
Press Row: (412) 648-2318
Website: pittsburghpanthers.com

Notes: ND and UP will meet for the 14th consecutive season and 24th time overall ... ND has won 18 of the previous matches against its most-common opponent ... the 14-year streak of at least one contest against the Panthers also is the longest vs. any current foe ... the teams met twice in both 2003 and '04, once in the regular season and again in the BIG EAST tournament final ... after ND had won 15 straight, the Panthers prevailed twice in '03 (when the teams were the league's co-champs in the regular season), but the Irish struck back last season, winning 30-25, 30-22, 30-19 at home in the regular season and 30-23, 30-26, 30-26 at Pittsburgh in the postseason ... ND is 15-4 all-time at Pittsburgh, including 7-3 vs. the Panthers (other matches in BIG EAST tournament) ... the schools first met in 1984 in Pittsburgh, with the Panthers winning 3-0 ... the Irish eliminated Pitt from the 1994 NCAA tournament second round with a four-game win in the Joyce Center ... the BIG EAST era has seen the Irish win 14 of 16 matches, with the teams playing in the league tournament on six occasions ... ND leads in games won 56-30 ... these were the only two BIG EAST teams to earn bids to the 2004 NCAA tournament ... libero Meg Henican had 25 digs in both matches in '04, totals that have been surpassed in three-game matches just three times in ND history.

Current Irish vs. Pittsburgh

Brewster	5 MS/MP, 18 GP, 57/3.17 K, .306 (16 E, 134 TA), 19/1.06 D, 7 BS/32 BA/2.17, 3/0.17 SA, 1 A, 83/4.61 PTS
Burrell	5 MP, 12 GP, 1 K, 2 TA, 2/0.17 D, 17/1.42 A, 1 PT
Cooper	2 MS/4 MP, 12 GP, 12/1.00 K, .132 (7 E, 38 TA), 5/0.42 D, 2 BS/3 BA/0.42 BA, 1/0.08 A, 15.5/1.29 PTS
Henican	5 MP, 16 GP, 2/0.13 K, .000 (2 E, 8 TA), 96/6.00 D, 1/0.06 BA, 11/0.69 A, 3.5/0.22 PTS
Herndon	4 MP, 14 GP, 3 TA, 31/2.21 D, 3/0.21 A
Kelbley	5 MS/MP, 18 GP, 61/3.39 K, .262 (22 E, 149 TA), 15/0.83 D, 6 BS/14 BA/1.11, 2/0.11 SA, 1/0.06 A, 76/4.22 PTS
Stasiuk	2 MS/MP, 6 GP, 16/2.67 K, .140 (8 E, 57 TA), 27/4.50 D, 1 BS/3 BA/0.67, 2/0.33 SA, 6/1.00 A, 20.5/3.42 PTS
Tarutis	2 MS/MP, 6 GP, 5/0.83 K, .267 (1 E, 15 TA), 14/2.33 D, 1 BS/3 BA/0.67, 75/12.50 A, 7.5/1.25 PTS



Villanova Wildcats

Saturday, Nov. 12 • 10:00 a.m. EST
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 13-0



Location: Villanova, PA
Founded: 1842
Enrollment: 6,250
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: Jake Nevin Fieldhouse (1,500)
Athletic Director: Vince Nicastro

Head Coach: Gilad Doron (Temple '00)
Record at VU (Yrs.): 9-18 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistant: Li Chen (Shanghai P.E. College '82)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 9-18 (3-7/9th)

Postseason: None

Final AVCA Ranking: —

Starters Returning/Lost: 7/0

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/3

Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Megan Abbott (MB, Sr., 6-3); Megan Bye (L, Sr., 5-7); Dana Kabashima (OH, Sr., 5-10); Jen Lalli (S, Jr., 5-3); Celine Nguyen (OH, Sr., 5-9); Kacy Sellers (MH, So., 6-1); Adrian Semrau (MB, Jr., 6-4)

Volleyball SID: Megan Bradshaw
Office: (610) 519-4120
Fax: (610) 519-7323
Email: megan.bradshaw@villanova.edu
Press Row: None
Website: villanova.com

Notes: The Irish and Wildcats will meet for the 11th consecutive season and 14th time overall ... Notre Dame has won all 13 previous contests, including a 30-27, 30-24, 30-22 match in 2004 at VU ... this will be Villanova's seventh trip to the Joyce Center, where it has won three games ... the teams once played a five-game match, as 12th-ranked Notre Dame rallied from a 2-0 deficit to prevail (15-12 in the fifth) in 1996 in the Joyce Center ... the schools met once prior to the Irish becoming a BIG EAST member in 1995: Notre Dame won 15-7, 16-14, 15-4 in 1982 at Villanova ... ND and VU have played twice in the BIG EAST Championship, with the Irish triumphing in three games in the semifinals in 1995 in the Joyce Center and in four in the title match in 1997 ... the latter contest, played in South Orange, N.J., saw Villanova take the first game before Notre Dame rallied ... the Irish lead in games won 39-5 ... Notre Dame's 13 victories against Villanova are the most without a defeat against any opponent ... in 1999, the Irish turned in their third-highest hitting percentage in school history against VU, with 60 kills and just eight errors on 102 swings for a .510 mark ... libero Meg Henican had 26 digs in last year's match, which is tied for the second-highest total ever by an ND player in a three-game match.

Current Irish vs. Villanova

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 30/3.33 K, .303 (7 E, 76 TA), 15/2.14 D, 2 BS/13 BA/2.14, 2/0.22 A, 38.5/4.28 PTS
Burrell	3 MP, 7 GP, 1 K, .000 (1 E, 8 TA), 9/1.29 D, 3/0.43 BA, 1/0.14 SA, 18/2.57 A, 4/0.57 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/3 MP, 7 GP, 8/1.14 K, .148 (4 E, 27 TA), 1 D, 3 BS/6 BA/1.29, 14/2.00 PTS
Heintzman	1 MP, 2 GP, 2/1.00 K, -.400 (6 E, 10 TA), 1 BS, 3/1.5 PTS
Henican	3 MP, 8 GP, 3/0.38 K, .182 (1 E, 11 TA), 43/5.38 D, 1 BS/1 BA/0.25, 1 SA, 2/0.25 A, 5.5/0.69 PTS
Herndon	2 MP, 6 GP, 1 TA, 11/1.83 D
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 11 GP, 33/3.00 K, .267 (10 E, 86 TA), 5/0.45 D, 6 BS/15 BA/1.91, 1/0.13 SA, 1 A, 47.5/4.32 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 2/0.67 K, -.143 (3 E, 7 TA), 6/2.00 D, 1 SA, 1 A, 3/1.00 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 3/1.00 K, .200 (1 E, 10 TA), 5/1.67 D, 1 BA, 2/0.67 SA, 26/8.67 A, 5.5/1.83 PTS

Rutgers Scarlet Knights

Sunday, Nov. 13 • 2:00 p.m. EST
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 12-0



Location: New Brunswick, NJ
Founded: 1766
Enrollment: 35,000
Color: Scarlet
Conference: BIG EAST
Home Court: College Avenue Gymnasium (2,500)
Director of Athletics: Robert E. Mulcahy III

Interim Head Coach: Orlando Gonzalez
Record at RU (Yrs.): First season
Career Record (Yrs.): First season
Assistants: Orlando Gonzalez (Michigan State '03), Shayla Bush (Rutgers '04)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 16-10 (4-6/T-6th)

Postseason: None

Final AVCA Ranking: —

Starters Returning/Lost: 2/4

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/5

Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Lora Yankauskas (OH/RS, Jr., 6-0); Ashleigh Young (MH, Sr., 6-1)

Volleyball SID: Hasim Phillips
Office: (732) 445-7885
Fax: (732) 445-3063
Email: hphillips@scarletknights.com
Press Row: None
Website: scarletknights.com

Notes: The schools will meet for the 11th consecutive season and the 13th time overall ... Notre Dame has won all 12 previous meetings, taking 36 of the 37 games ... ND won 30-23, 30-22, 30-24 a season ago in New Brunswick ... the Irish are 6-0 in the Joyce Center against RU ... the teams met once prior to the Irish joining the BIG EAST in 1995, a 3-0 Notre Dame win in 1986 at the Hackerman Showcase in Houston, Texas ... ND and RU have met once in the postseason, in the 2000 BIG EAST Championship title match at the Joyce Center ... in that match, Notre Dame's Denise Boylan had 62 assists, the most-ever for an Irish player in a three-game match ... the lone Scarlet Knight game victory came in 1998 at the Joyce Center, when Rutgers won the third game 17-15 (after dropping the second 15-1) ... the 37-point victory for ND in '03 is tied for its third-largest margin of victory since the 30-point format was adopted.

Current Irish vs. Rutgers

Brewster	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 35/3.89 K, .467 (7 E, 60 TA), 8/0.89 D, 1 BS/13 BA/1.56, 1/0.11 SA, 1/0.11 A, 43.5/4.83 PTS
Burrell	3 MP, 7 GP, 2 TA, 2/0.29 D, 1/0.14 BA, 23/3.29 A, 0.5 PTS
Cooper	1 MS/2 MP, 5 GP, 5/1.00 K, .273 (2 E, 11 TA), 2/0.40 D, 2 BS/2 BA/0.80, 1/0.20 A, 9/1.80 PTS
Heintzman	1 MP, 1 GP, 2/2.00 K, .333 (0 E, 6 TA), 2/2.00 PTS
Henican	4 MP, 7 GP, 1 K, .000 (1 E, 2 TA), 23/3.29 D, 1/0.14 SA, 1/0.14 A, 2/0.29 PTS
Herndon	1 MP, 3 GP, 5/1.67 D, 1/0.33 A
Kelbley	3 MS/MP, 9 GP, 33/3.67 K, .509 (4 E, 57 TA), 6/0.67 D, 3 BS/10 BA/2.17, 3/0.33 SA, 44/7.33 PTS
Stasiuk	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 9/3.00 K, .238 (4 E, 21 TA), 9/3.00 D, 2/0.67 BA, 2/0.67 A, 10/3.33 PTS
Tarutis	1 MS/MP, 3 GP, 3/1.00 D, 1/0.33 BA, 1/0.33 SA, 27/9.00 A, 1.5/0.50 PTS

In 2004, Lauren Brewster became the eighth Notre Dame player to be the BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player.

BIG EAST Championship

Friday, November 18 • Quarterfinals
Saturday, November 19 • Semifinals
Sunday, November 20 • Final
Louisville, KY • Kentucky Int'l Convention Center

Conference Website: bigeast.org
Host School: Louisville
Teams Participating: League's top eight teams based on records in conference play

Notes: ND has reached the final of the BIG EAST Championship all 10 years since becoming a league member in 1995, winning eight titles (1995-98, 2000-02, '04) and holding a 19-2 (.905) record (tops in the conference) ... in 2004, ND beat Pittsburg 3-0 in the final on the Panthers' home court ... Irish middle blocker Lauren Brewster was the tournament MVP ... Syracuse and Boston College were the other teams to qualify for last year's tournament ... it will be Notre Dame's first trip to Louisville since 1994 (first to KY since '01) ... the Panthers' 10 titles (1982, '84, '86, '88-94, 2003) are the most by any school, with Notre Dame's eight as the next-highest total ... the Joyce Center has played host to the BIG EAST tournament three times (1995, 2000, and '03) ... for more on Notre Dame's history in the BIG EAST, see page 73.

Current Irish in BIG EAST Championship

Brewster	6 MS/MP, 22 GP, 75/3.41 K, .357 (15 E, 168 TA), 26/1.18 D, 3 BS/43 BA/2.09, 3/0.14 SA, 1 A, 102.5/4.66 PTS
Burrell	6 MP, 15 GP, 5 TA, 5/0.33 D, 1 BA, 21/1.40 A, 0.5 PTS
Cooper	2 MS/4 MP, 11 GP, 16/1.45 K, .275 (5 E, 40 TA), 5/0.45 D, 4 BS/5 BA/0.82, 22.5/2.05 PTS
Henican	6 MP, 22 GP, 1 K, 1 TA, 110/5.00 D, 12/0.55 A, 1 PT
Herndon	4 MP, 14 GP, 6 TA, 39/2.79 D
Kelbley	6 MS/MP, 22 GP, 78/3.55 K, .304 (22 E, 184 TA), 16/0.73 D, 2 BS/16 BA/0.82, 3/0.14 SA, 2/0.09 A, 91/4.13 PTS
Stasiuk	2 MS/MP, 7 GP, 19/2.71 K, .172 (9 E, 58 TA), 28/4.00 D, 1 BS/3 BA/0.57, 6/0.86 A, 21.5/3.07 PTS
Tarutis	2 MS/MP, 7 GP, 6/0.86 K, .462 (0 E, 13 TA), 16/2.29 D, 3/0.43 BA, 1 SA, 87/12.42 A, 8.5/1.21 PTS



Rice Owls

Friday, Nov. 25 • 7:00 p.m.
Irish Thanksgiving Invitational
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 3-1

Location: Houston, TX
Founded: 1891
Enrollment: 4,805
Colors: Blue and Gray
Conference: Conference USA
Home Court: Autry Court (5,000)
Athletics Director: Bobby May



Head Coach: Genny Volpe (Texas A&M '95)
Record at Rice (Yrs.): 25-5 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Melissa Ferris (Arizona '96), Trent Herman (Fort Hayes State '99)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 25-5 (12-1/1st WAC East)
Postseason: WAC semifinals (d. Tulsa 3-0, l. Nevada 1-3); NCAA first round (l. Michigan 1-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: -
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 6/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kristina Hoban (S, Sr., 5-9); Yvette Kirk (L/DS, So., 5-5); Tessa Kuykendall (MB, Jr., 6-3); Olaya Pazo (OH/RS, Sr., 5-11)

Volleyball SID: Patty Barnes
Office: (713) 348-5637
Fax: (713) 348-6019
Email: pbarnes@rice.edu
Press Row: None
Website: riceowls.com

Notes: The Irish and the Owls will play for the first time since 1994 and the fifth time overall ... Notre Dame has won each of the last three after Rice took the first-ever match ... the most-recent contest saw the #15 Irish prevail 15-6, 15-2, 15-3 at home in the 1994 Golden Dome Invitational ... Rice's victory was at home in 1986 in a five-game match (15-12 in the fifth) ... this will be the Owls' third trip to the Joyce Center, where they are winless ... Notre Dame leads 11-6 in game victories ... both of the first two matches between the teams were 3-2 affairs, with ND prevailing in the 1987 Eastern Kentucky Colonel Invitational in Richmond (15-7 in the fifth) ... Notre Dame and Rice played in three consecutive years from 1986-88, but have played just once since then ('94) ... Notre Dame holds a 7-5 all-time record against current members of Conference USA ... Debbie Brown boasts a 6-1 mark vs. C-USA, including a 4-0 record while at ND ... nine Texas natives (fourth-most, behind California-23, Illinois-18, and Indiana-18) have played volleyball for the Irish, including current senior Carolyn Cooper (Houston, Lutheran South Academy, Houston Jrs. VBC) ... she is the second Houston-area product to be a regular for the Irish over the last decade, following Jo Jameyson (1997-2000, Alvin, Alvin H.S., Houston Juniors VBC).



Houston-native Carolyn Cooper will face Rice for the inaugural Irish Thanksgiving Invitational.

Tennessee Lady Volunteers

Saturday, Nov. 26 • 7:00 p.m.
Irish Thanksgiving Invitational
Notre Dame, IN • Joyce Center
First Meeting

Location: Knoxville, TN
Founded: 1794
Enrollment: 25,058
Colors: Orange and White
Conference: Southeastern
Home Court: Stokely Athletics Center (5,000)
Athletics Director: Joan Cronan



Head Coach: Rob Patrick (Miami University '83)
Record at UT (Yrs.): 166-86 (8)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Mike Minnis (Central Oklahoma '93), Cindy Young (Georgia '96)

2004 Record (Conf./Finish): 32-3 (15-1/T-1st East)
Postseason: SEC tournament champions (d. Auburn 3-1, d. Arkansas 3-1, d. Florida 3-2); NCAA round of 16 (d. Eastern Kentucky 3-1, d. Texas A&M 3-1, l. Ohio State 2-3)
Final AVCA Ranking: 10th
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kristen Andre (MB, Sr., 6-1); Cynthia Buggs (DS/L, Jr., 5-8); Amy Morris (OH, Sr., 6-0); Julie Knytych (S, Sr., 5-9); Annie Sadowski (DS/L, Jr., 5-7); Yuliya Stoyanova (OH/RS, So., 6-1)

Volleyball SID: Matt MacDonald
Office: (865) 974-8873
Fax: (865) 974-8875
Email: mmacdon5@utk.edu
Press Row: (865) 974-0618
Website: utladyvols.com

Notes: The Irish and Lady Vols will meet in women's volleyball for the first time ... the match will be televised on a tape-delayed basis by Comcast Sports Net ... it will be the second first-time opponent of the 2005 season for Notre Dame, which will play its inaugural match with South Florida on Oct. 21 ... the Irish head into the season having won four in a row against first-time foes, having beaten the College of Charleston in the opening round of the 2002 NCAA tournament before downing Fresno State, Sacramento State, and UC Irvine in regular-season play a year ago ... the last first-time defeat for ND came on Nov. 15, 2002, in a five-game match at Miami (15-7 in the fifth) ... Debbie Brown holds a 14-12 career record against current members of the Southeastern Conference, including an 11-8 mark while at Notre Dame ... senior All-America middle blocker Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Brentwood H.S., Impact VBC) is the first Volunteer State native ever to be named to one of the AVCA's All-America teams at any four-year college (Divisions I, II, III, NAIA) ... ND and UT have met 53 times previously in other sports, with the Vols holding a 40-13 advantage ... the majority of those matchups have come in women's basketball (UT leads 16-0) or women's tennis (UT leads, 13-4).

NCAA Championship

Dec. 1-4 • First/Second Rounds • 16 Campus Sites
Dec. 8-11 • Round of 16/Quarterfinals • Selected Sites
Dec. 15 • Semifinals • San Antonio, TX • Alamodome
Dec. 17 • Final • San Antonio, TX • Alamodome

Tournament Website: ncaasports.com
Regional Sites: Qwest Center in Omaha, Neb.; Recreation Building in University Park, Pa.; Maples Pavilion in Stanford, Calif.; G. Rollie White Coliseum in College Station, Texas
Final Four Host School: Texas-San Antonio
Teams Participating: 31 conference champions earn automatic bids and 33 gain at-large entrance into the field of 64
NCAA Selection Show: Sunday, Nov. 27

Notes: Notre Dame has earned a spot in the NCAA Championship 14 times, including in each of the last 13 years (one of just nine schools to do so), posting a 12-14 all-time record ... ND has advanced to the final 16 on five occasions (1988, '93-95, '97), highlighted by a quarterfinal appearance in 1993 ... in 2004, 11th-seeded Stanford defeated Minnesota 3-0 in the title match in Long Beach, Calif., for the Cardinal's sixth national championship ... Notre Dame's Joyce Center has played host to NCAA-tournament action on six occasions, going 6-2 ... the Irish were home for first-round play in 1988, '93, '94, and '95 before being a first- and second-round site in 1996 and 2002.

Current Irish in NCAA Championship

Brewster	5 MS/MP, 17 GP, 55/3.24 K, .177 (27 E, 158 TA), 25/1.47 D, 3 BS/22 BA/1.47, 4/0.24 SA, 1/0.06 A, 76.5/4.50 PTS
Burrell	5 MP, 14 GP, 1/0.07 D, 14/1.00 A
Cooper	1 MS/3 MP, 10 GP, 11/1.10 K, .022 (10 E, 44 TA), 2/0.20 D, 1 BS/6 BA/0.70 BA, 1 A, 15/1.50 PTS
Henican	5 MP, 17 GP, 85/5.00 D, 6/0.35 A
Hemdon	1 MS/3 MP, 10 GP, 2 TA, 24/2.40 D, 1/0.10 SA
Kelbley	5 MS/MP, 17 GP, 51/3.00 K, .187 (23 E, 150 TA), 10/0.59 D, 2 BS/18 BA/1.18, 5/0.29 SA, 1/0.06 A, 67/3.94 PTS
Stasiuk	2 MS/MP, 7 GP, 16/2.29 K, .178 (8 E, 45 TA), 18/2.57 D, 1 BS/2 BA/0.43, 2/0.29 SA, 5/0.71 A, 20/2.86 PTS
Tarutis	2 MS/MP, 7 GP, 2/0.29 K, .000 (2 E, 12 TA), 25/3.57 D, 1 BA, 2/0.29 SA, 71/10.14 A, 4.5/0.64 PTS



Lauren Brewster, the only Volunteer State native ever to be named an AVCA All-American at any four-year college, will lead the Irish in their first-ever meeting with Tennessee.

