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2005-06 ND Women's Basketball: Game 5

#11/15 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (4-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST) vs. Iona Gaels (2-0 / 0-0 MAAC)

- ◆ **DATE:** November 29, 2005
- ◆ **TIME:** 7:00 p.m. ET
- ◆ **AT:** Notre Dame, Ind.
Joyce Center (11,418)
- ◆ **SERIES:** Notre Dame leads 1-0
- ◆ **1ST MTG:** 12/19/80 (ND 69-65)
- ◆ **LAST MTG:** 12/19/80 (ND 69-65)
- ◆ **RADIO:** ESPN Radio 1580 AM
WNDV 1490 AM
Sean Stires, p-b-p
- ◆ **TV:** None
- ◆ **LIVE STATS:** www.und.com
- ◆ **TICKETS:** (574) 631-7356



2005-06 Schedule

4-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST

N1	Indianapolis (exhibition)	W, 84-59
N10	Ferris State (exhibition)	W, 96-45
N18	(15/16) Michigan	W, 55-45
N20	(15/16)@ Western Michigan ^{CL}	W, 71-68
N23	(13/15)@ Indiana	W, 74-61
N27	(13/15) USC ^{CL} (24/21)	W, 73-62
N29	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 ^{ESPN2}	4:00 CT
F19	• Connecticut ^{ESPN2}	7:00 ET
F22	• @ West Virginia	7:00 ET
F25	• @ Cincinnati ^{BETV}	2:00 ET
F28	• Pittsburgh	7:00 ET
M4	BIG EAST First Round ²	TBD
M5	BIG EAST Quarterfinals ²	TBD
M6	BIG EAST Semifinals ²	6/8:00 ET
M7	BIG EAST Championship ²	7:30 ET
M18	NCAA First Round ³	TBD
M19		
M20	NCAA Second Round ³	TBD
M21		
M25	NCAA Regional Semifinals ⁴	TBD
M26		
M27	NCAA Regional Finals ⁴	TBD
M28		
A2	NCAA National Semifinals ⁵	7/9:30 ET
A4	NCAA Championship Game ⁵	8:30 ET

Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame plays its final home game for nearly a month when it takes on Iona Tuesday night at the Joyce Center. The next Irish home game comes Dec. 28 vs. Valparaiso.
- ◆ Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** reaches another milestone as she will coach her 700th career game with Tuesday's contest vs. Iona.

After passing one of its sternest tests of the young 2005-06 season, No. 11/15 Notre Dame has little time to rest on its laurels, returning to the Joyce Center hardwood Tuesday at 7 p.m. (ET) against Iona.

Notre Dame (4-0) stayed unbeaten this season by using a recurring formula — coming from behind to defeat No. 24/21 USC, 73-62 on Sunday at the Joyce Center. In all four of their games this season, the Irish have trailed in the second half, and all four times, they have rallied for the victory. Against USC, Notre Dame closed the day on a 10-2 run, holding the Women of Troy to a single field goal over the final 3:10.

Senior guard **Megan Duffy** led all scorers with 19 points, pacing four Irish players in double figures. Classmate **Courtney LaVere** added 16 points off the bench, while sophomores **Charel Allen** and **Melissa D'Amico** each had 13 points (D'Amico added a career-high 10 rebounds).

Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is 11th in the latest Associated Press poll and was 15th in last week's ESPN/USA Today poll (new poll to be released Tuesday afternoon prior to tipoff).
- ◆ Iona is unranked.

Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.und.com>
- ◆ Iona: <http://www.iona.edu/athletics>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>
- ◆ MAAC: <http://www.maacsports.com>

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 **579-254 (.695)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

Saint Joseph's '77

- ◆ 19th season at Notre Dame
 - 415-155 (.728) at Notre Dame.
 - 503-196 (.720) in 24 years as head coach.

NOTES

- ◆ 27th NCAA Division I coach with 500 wins
- ◆ 2001 consensus National Coach of the Year
- ◆ Four-time Naismith Coach of the Year finalist
- ◆ Four-time conference Coach of the Year
 - BIG EAST Conference (2001)
 - Midwestern Collegiate Conference (1991)
 - North Star Conference (1988)
 - East Coast Conference (@ Lehigh) (1983)

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
34	Crystal Erwin	F	6-2	Jr.	4.5	4.8	1.0 apg	• Perfect shooting at IU (3-3 FG, 3-3 FT)
33	Melissa D'Amico	C	6-5	So.	8.0	5.5	1.8 bpg	• 1st career dbl-dbl vs. USC (13p, 10r)
13	Megan Duffy (C)	G	5-7	Sr.	16.8	3.5	5.3 apg	• 21.3 ppg. past 3 games (19 vs. USC)
24	Lindsay Schrader	G	6-0	Fr.	9.0	6.8	1.8 apg	• Leads team in rebounding (14 vs. Mich)
32	Breona Gray	G	5-9	Jr.	7.0	3.3	1.5 spg	• 1st start of yr. vs. USC (career-high 8r)

Off the Bench For the Irish

1	Tulyah Gaines	G	5-7	So.	4.0	3.3	1.0 spg	• DNP vs. USC (sprained rt. ankle at IU)
2	Charel Allen	G	5-11	So.	11.0	4.5	1.8 apg	• Double-figure scorer in 3 of 4 games
11	Amanda Tsipis	G	5-9	So.	—	—	—	• 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.	0.0	0.0	0.0	• Made college debut at IU (3 min.)
22	Christine Trezza	F	6-0	Fr.	—	—	—	• Preseason walk-on; 1 pt. vs. Ferris St.
41	Courtney LaVere (C)	F	6-3	Sr.	9.0	5.0	1.3 bpg	• Erupted for 16 pts. (7-11 FG) vs. USC

(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/ESPN2 = Game to be televised on ESPNU/ESPN2
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.

After being ranked anywhere from 15th to 22nd in preseason polls released by various media outlets, Notre Dame has steadily risen in the Associated Press poll through the first three weeks of the season, currently standing 11th, and was 15th in last week's ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll (a new version will be released Tuesday afternoon, just prior to tipoff vs. Iona).

The balance the Irish have sought this season has been evident at times during the team's first four games this season. Notre Dame has had at least three double-figure scorers in each game and six of the nine players who have seen action have scored in double digits at least once thus far. What's more, eight players are averaging at least 16 minutes of action per night.

LAST IRISH GAME

#13/15 Notre Dame 73, #24/21 USC 62
November 27, 2005
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

USC (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Funn	21	1-7	0-0	2-4	3	2	2	4
Kerr	31	6-16	0-0	3-5	11	3	3	15
Hagiya	19	4-7	2-3	0-1	2	2	4	10
Gnekow	19	0-2	0-2	0-0	5	1	3	0
Murphy	34	5-18	1-7	0-0	8	2	2	11
LeNoir	30	5-15	2-8	0-0	3	1	3	12
Jelks	11	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	1	0
Lea	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Jaskowiak	27	1-3	1-2	4-4	3	1	2	7
Parker	6	1-2	0-0	1-1	2	0	1	3
Team					7			
Totals	200	23-72	6-24	10-15	44	12	21	62

Notre Dame (73)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Ervin	20	0-0	0-0	2-2	7	1	2	2
D'Amico	32	6-10	0-0	1-3	10	0	2	13
Duffy	40	6-16	3-8	4-4	2	6	1	19
Schrader	27	3-7	0-0	2-7	4	2	1	8
Gray	30	0-3	0-1	2-2	8	1	1	2
Allen	22	4-7	1-2	4-8	4	2	3	13
LaVere	29	7-11	0-0	2-2	0	3	2	16
Team					8			
Totals	200	26-54	4-11	17-28	43	15	12	73

USC 33 29 -- 62
Notre Dame 33 40 -- 73

FG Pct: USC 31.9, Notre Dame 48.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** USC 25.0, Notre Dame 36.4. **FT Pct:** USC 66.7, Notre Dame 60.7. **Turnovers:** USC 17, Notre Dame 20. **Blocked Shots:** USC 5 (Funn 2), Notre Dame 3. **Steals:** USC 12 (Murphy), Jaskowiak 3), Notre Dame 11 (Duffy 6). **Attendance:** 5,895.

Duffy has been a strong all-around contributor for Notre Dame during its first two games. The veteran floor general is averaging a team-best 16.8 points, 5.3 assists and 4.0 steals per game, with a 3.00 assist/turnover ratio. Although she was held to three points in the season opener vs. Michigan, Duffy found other ways to help her team win, coming up with eight assists, four steals and four rebounds in 39 minutes. Since then, she has regained her scoring touch with a flourish, averaging 21.3 ppg. and leading the team in scoring during the past three Irish wins, highlighted by a career-high 26 points at Indiana (13 of those coming in the final eight minutes) and a game-high 19 points against No. 24/21 USC.

Sophomore guard **Charel Allen**, who is still working her way back to full strength after surgery to repair a torn ACL suffered in last spring's NCAA Tournament, has shown little sign of her injury to this point. In the season opener against Michigan, Allen came off the bench to drop in a game-high 16 points, including 12 in the second half. Having scored in double figures three times in Notre Dame's first four outings, she is second on the team in scoring (11.0 ppg.) and field goal percentage (.500), while standing fourth in rebounding (4.5 rpg).

Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** also has shown tremendous promise during the early portion of the season. The former McDonald's All-American already has been named BIG EAST Freshman of the Week once (Nov. 21) after turning in an impressive 10-point, 14-rebound effort in her debut outing against Michigan, becoming just the second player in school history (first since 1979) to record a double-double in her first game. Schrader leads the team in rebounding (6.8 rpg.) and is tied for third in scoring (9.0 ppg.).

Potent Notables About The Fighting Irish

- Notre Dame's No. 11 ranking in the latest Associated Press poll represents the 22nd consecutive appearance for the Irish in that survey, dating back to the start of the 2004-05 season. All told, Notre Dame has appeared in 131 Associated Press polls since the balloting debuted 30 years ago, with their first AP ranking (No. 25) coming on Dec. 31, 1990.
- The Irish have won 56 of their last 59 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season. 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

ND Opponent PPG Since 1999-2000	PPG
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	

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.





Around the BIG EAST

Current Standings

	Overall		BIG EAST	
	W	L	W	L
(8/9) Connecticut	5	0	0	0
(14/17) DePaul	5	0	0	0
South Florida	5	0	0	0
◆(11/15) NOTRE DAME	4	0	0	0
St. John's	4	0	0	0
Villanova	4	0	0	0
Cincinnati	3	0	0	0
Louisville	3	0	0	0
(6/7) Rutgers	2	0	0	0
Pittsburgh	4	1	0	0
Georgetown	3	1	0	0
Marquette	3	1	0	0
West Virginia	2	1	0	0
Seton Hall	2	2	0	0
Syracuse	2	2	0	0
Providence	1	3	0	0

Through games of Nov. 28

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

Player of the Week

Nov. 21 Mel Thomas, Connecticut
Nov. 28 Jessica Dickson, South Florida

Freshman of the Week

Nov. 21 Lindsay Schrader, Notre Dame
Nov. 28 Xenia Stewart, Pittsburgh

Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Tuesday, Nov. 29

Iona at Notre Dame	7:00p
Colgate at Syracuse	7:00p
Quinnipiac at Providence	7:00p
Bethune-Cookman at Rutgers	7:30p
Louisville at Western Kentucky	8:00p

Wednesday, Nov. 30

Cincinnati at Xavier	7:00p
Fairleigh Dickinson at St. John's	7:00p
Georgetown at Fordham	7:00p
Seton Hall at Saint Joseph's	7:00p
Duquesne at Pittsburgh	7:00p
Robert Morris at West Virginia	7:00p
DePaul at Wisconsin-Milwaukee	8:00p

Thursday, Dec. 1

Hartford at Connecticut (@Hartford Civic Ctr.)	7:00p
George Washington at Villanova	7:30p

Friday, Dec. 2

Navy at Providence	5:00p
St. John's vs. Wake Forest (@Evanston, Ill.)	6:30p
Pittsburgh at Penn State	7:00p
South Florida at North Carolina	7:00p
Marquette at Wisconsin	8:00p

Saturday, Dec. 3

Rutgers vs. San Jose State (@Iowa City, Iowa)	1:00p
St. John's vs. TBD (@Evanston, Ill.)	2/4:00p
BYU at Seton Hall	2:00p
West Virginia at UNC-Greensboro	2:00p
Appalachian State at Georgetown	3:00p
Eastern Illinois at Cincinnati	8:00p
Purdue at DePaul	8:00p

All times Eastern and subject to change



and second-best of the Muffet McGraw era (55.8 ppg. in 2000-01). Thus far in 2005-06, the Irish are allowing opponents to score just 59.0 ppg.

- The Irish have posted 38 wins over Top 25 opponents in the past eight seasons (1998-99 to present), most recently knocking off No. 24/21 USC, 73-62 on Sunday at the Joyce Center. In each of the past two years, Notre Dame has set a school record with seven regular-season wins over ranked opponents. Furthermore, since the start of the 2003-04 season, the Irish are 11-2 (.846) at home against Top 25 competition.
- Following Sunday's win over No. 24/21 USC, the Irish have welcomed crowds of 5,000 or more fans to 67 of their last 69 home games. The only two blemishes on that mark came in the semifinals and finals of last year's Preseason WNIT, because tickets for those games could not be included in the Notre Dame season ticket package and had to be purchased separately.
- Senior guard **Megan Duffy** was named a preseason All-American by three sources, has been cited on the preseason watch lists for both the State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy and the John R. Wooden Women's Award, and most 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.
- With a 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** became the 27th coach in NCAA Division I women's basketball history to reach the 500-win mark. She also is the 10th Division I coach to earn her 500th victory prior to age 50.

A Quick Look At Iona

The road to success can be a long and sometimes painful journey, and Iona has learned first-hand the rigors of that trip. Based in New Rochelle, N.Y., the Gaels are seeking their first winning season since 1981-82, but they feel confident that the tools are there to not only move back into the black, but also make a run deep into the postseason.

Iona posted a 6-22 record last year, including a 4-14 mark and 10th-place finish in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference. The Gaels subsequently lost in the opening round of the MAAC Tournament to Siena, 76-67. However, nine letterwinners and four starters are back from that club, spearheaded by five of the top six scorers from a season ago.

This year, Iona has gotten off to a solid 2-0 start with home wins over Bucknell, 75-58, and Wichita State, 73-71. In the latter contest played last Saturday, the Gaels led by nine with just over 90 seconds to play before WSU went on an 8-1 run to get within striking distance. In the end, Iona held on for the victory, as the Shockers missed the first of two potential game-tying free throws with no time remaining.

Sharpshooting junior guard **Toni Horvath**

has been Iona's leading scorer thus far in 2005-06, averaging 14.0 ppg. with a .526 field goal percentage and .750 three-point ratio (6-of-8). Sophomore guard **Tiara Headen** is second on the squad in scoring (13.5 ppg.) and rebounding (7.0 rpg.), while 6-5 junior center **Martina Weber** is third in scoring (11.5 ppg.) and junior center **Regan Pettijohn** is tops in rebounding (12.0 rpg.). Pettijohn also was the first MAAC Player of the Week selection this season after collecting 16 rebounds in the win over Bucknell.

Anthony Bozzella is in his fourth season as the head coach at Iona with a record of 16-70 (.186). He is in his 14th year as a college head coach with a 170-201 (.458) ledger, having also spent time at Southampton and Long Island and leading LIU to the 2002 NCAA Tournament. Tuesday night's game vs. Notre Dame will be Bozzella's first-ever matchup with the Irish.

The Notre Dame-Iona Series

This year represents just the second time ever that Notre Dame and Iona have met on the basketball court, with the Irish having won the only prior contest in the series.

On Dec. 19, 1980, Notre Dame edged out the Gaels, 69-65 in the first round of the Penn Holiday Tournament, which was held at the famed Palestra in Philadelphia. **Janice Crowe** rang up a double-double with 20 points and 11 rebounds, while **Sheila Liebscher** chipped in with eight points and nine rebounds and **Shari Matvey** had nine points and seven rebounds for the victors, who rallied from a 37-33 halftime deficit.

As a team, the Irish shot just 34.6 percent from the floor (27-of-78), but held a decisive 60-45 edge in the rebounding column and forced 24 Iona turnovers. **Celeste Grier** led the Gaels with a game-high 25 points, while **Maria Johnson** registered a double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds, and **Debra Stephens** just missed a double-double with 12 points and nine rebounds.

Notre Dame would go on to lose in the semifinals of the Penn Holiday Tournament the next afternoon, falling to Delaware, 70-56.

Other Notre Dame-Iona Series Tidbits

- When Tuesday's game tips off, it will mark the longest hiatus between games in Notre Dame women's basketball history (24 years, 11 months, nine days). That's 11 days longer than the break between contests in the series between the Irish and IPFW (Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne), who went 24 years, 10 months and 28 days before their series picked up against on Dec. 21, 2003 (an 82-54 Irish win at the Joyce Center).
- Notre Dame has two New York natives on its roster — sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** (Manorville/William Floyd HS) and freshman forward **Christine Trezza** (Staten Island/Notre Dame Academy HS). In the 29-year history of Irish women's basketball, eight players have come from the state of New York, including All-America forward and Mount Vernon product **Katryna Gaither** (1993-97).



• Notre Dame is 35-2 (.946) all-time against New York schools, including an 18-0 record at the Joyce Center, with an average winning margin against the Empire State of 25.1 points per game. What's more, in those 18 home wins, only two have been by single-digit margins (71-66 vs. Syracuse on Dec. 8, 1990; 72-65 vs. St. John's on Jan. 26, 2005).

ND vs. State of N.Y.		
	Overall	Home
Army	1-0	1-0
Fordham	1-0	1-0
◆IONA	1-0	0-0
St. John's	15-0	7-0
Syracuse	18-2	9-0
TOTAL	35-2	18-0
	(.946)	(1.000)

Notre Dame vs. The MAAC

The Irish are 4-0 all-time against current Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) teams, although this will be Notre Dame's first match-up against a school from that league since 1992.

ND vs. MAAC		
	Overall	Home
Canisius	0-0	0-0
Fairfield	1-0	0-0
◆IONA	1-0	0-0
Loyola	2-0	1-0
Manhattan	0-0	0-0
Marist	0-0	0-0
Niagara	0-0	0-0
Rider	0-0	0-0
St. Peter's	0-0	0-0
Siena	0-0	0-0
TOTAL	4-0	1-0
	(1.000)	(1.000)

Iona is just the second MAAC team to ever play at the Joyce Center. On Dec. 21, 1991, Loyola (Md.) came to South Bend and dropped an 84-49 decision to the Irish. The Greyhounds are 0-2 all-time vs. Notre Dame, while both Iona and Fairfield are 0-1.

Curiously, of the four previous Irish encounters with the MAAC, only the Iona contest took place prior to the arrival of head coach **Muffet McGraw** in 1987.

Starting Strong

The Irish are off to a 4-0 start for the second time in as many seasons, marking the first time in the 29-year history of the program Notre Dame has put together back-to-back 4-0 starts (the Irish began last year with a 7-0 record).

All told, Notre Dame has won the first four games of the season only seven times, with six of those coming in the **Muffet McGraw** era, and five in the past eight years (1998-99 to present). In the six previous 4-0 starts, the Irish went on to win at least 20 games and reach the NCAA Tournament five times. The lone exception was the program's first season (1977-78), when only 17 games were played, all at the AIAW Division III level, and the Irish went 13-4.

ND 4-0 Starts		
Year	Start	Finish
'77-78	5-0	13-4
'93-94*	4-0	22-7
'98-99*	6-0	26-5
'00-01*	23-0	34-2*
'02-03*	4-0	21-11
'04-05*	7-0	27-6
◆'05-06*	4-0	??

* = coached by Muffet McGraw
* = won NCAA championship

A November To Remember

Notre Dame will be seeking to close out the month of November undefeated for the second time in as many seasons and the third time in four years. The Irish are 40-8 (.833) in November games since they joined the BIG EAST Confer-

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			05-06	All Time
Nov. 8, 2005	408	15	1	129
Nov. 21, 2005	516	13	2	130
Nov. 28, 2005	654	11	3	131
SEASON HIGHS	654	11		

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
Nov. 22, 2005	292	15	3	122
SEASON HIGHS	294	15		

ence 11 seasons ago. In addition, Notre Dame has won 11 in a row and 22 of its last 27 games during the year's penultimate month. The last time the Irish lost a game in November was on Nov. 30, 2003 — an 83-59 setback at No. 3 Tennessee.

The 700 Club

Although it doesn't have the same cachet as her 500th career win 11 days ago vs. Michigan, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** will coach the 700th game of her career when the Irish return to action Tuesday night vs. Iona.

McGraw is in her 24th season as a collegiate mentor, having posted a 503-196 (.720) record, including a 415-155 (.728) mark in 19 years at Notre Dame. During her first 23 seasons walking the sidelines on campus, McGraw has piloted her teams to an astounding 18 20-win seasons (16 at ND) and 21 winning campaigns (16 with the Irish). In addition, McGraw's clubs have earned 12 NCAA Tournament berths, six trips to the NCAA Sweet 16, two NCAA Final Four showings and the 2001 national title. McGraw also has steered eight league champions (regular season and/or tournament) and she has been named conference Coach of the Year by four different leagues — East Coast (@Lehigh), North Star, Midwestern Collegiate and BIG EAST.

No Rest For The Weary

Notre Dame is set to play its fifth game in 11 days when it takes on Iona Tuesday night at the Joyce Center. It also will be the second 48-hour turnaround for the Irish this season, who opened Nov. 18 with a 9 p.m. game vs. Michigan (W, 55-45), then came back 41 hours later with a road game at Western Michigan (W, 71-68).

While the grueling schedule averages approximately one game every two days, it's not a surprise to most of the current Irish players. Last season, Notre Dame opened up with five games in 10 days, the first four coming in the Preseason WNIT, which was headlined by wins over No. 6 Duke (76-65) and No. 10/9 Ohio State (66-62).

In addition, the Irish are no strangers to postseason play. The BIG EAST Championship has seen Notre Dame play on consecutive nights several times in recent years, and the NCAA Tournament commonly features games split 48 hours apart.

National Polls

Associated Press Poll

• November 28, 2005: Poll #3

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 Duke (21)	5-0	1,123	1
2 ◆Tennessee (22)	5-0	1,116	2
3 LSU	4-0	1,043	3
4 Ohio State	3-0	985	4
5 Baylor	6-0	959	5
6 ◆Rutgers	2-0	907	6
7 North Carolina	4-0	879	7
8 ◆Connecticut	5-0	870	8
9 Maryland	4-1	738	10
10 Minnesota	4-0	719	12
11 NOTRE DAME	4-0	654	13
12 Stanford	3-1	605	15
13 Michigan State	3-2	559	9
14 ◆DePaul	5-0	486	17
15 Arizona State	4-1	452	16
16 Texas	3-1	405	18
17 Georgia	3-2	380	11
18 Temple	5-0	372	21
19 Vanderbilt	5-1	355	20
20 Oklahoma	5-1	339	22
21 New Mexico	5-1	200	25
22 ◆Purdue	2-1	165	19
23 UCLA	2-2	128	—
24 Texas Tech	1-4	102	14
25 ◆Utah	2-1	93	23

Others Receiving Votes: ◆Louisville 59, Washington 49, Boston College 30, ◆North Carolina State 29, ◆USC 27, Virginia Tech 25, Virginia 20, ◆Villanova 17, George Washington 11, Western Kentucky 10, Mississippi 9, Arizona 7, Wake Forest 7, Florida State 6, Saint Joseph's 3, BYU 2, Bowling Green 2, Kansas 1, Middle Tennessee 1.

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll

• November 22, 2005: Poll #3

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ◆Tennessee (25)	2-0	767	1
2 Duke (4)	2-0	745	2
3 LSU (1)	1-0	693	3
4 Ohio State (1)	1-0	667	4
5 Baylor	3-0	641	5
6 ◆Connecticut	4-0	623	7
7 ◆Rutgers	0-0	593	6
8 North Carolina	2-0	560	8
9 Michigan State	2-0	488	11
10 Maryland	2-0	433	14
11 Georgia	2-1	422	10
12 Minnesota	2-0	386	17
13 Stanford	1-1	380	9
14 Arizona State	3-0	376	15
15 NOTRE DAME	2-0	292	16
16 Texas Tech	1-2	274	13
17 ◆DePaul	2-0	272	18
18 Texas	1-1	263	12
19 Temple	3-0	247	19
20 ◆Utah	1-0	181	20
21 ◆USC	2-0	162	23
22 Vanderbilt	2-1	160	20
23 Oklahoma	3-1	137	22
24 ◆Purdue	1-0	126	24
25 New Mexico	3-1	68	—

Others Receiving Votes: UCLA 35, ◆North Carolina State 25, ◆Louisville 18, Boston College 6, Western Kentucky 6, ◆Villanova 5, Florida State 4, Kansas State 3, Rice 3, Kansas 2, Kent State 2, Kentucky 2, Oregon 2, ◆South Florida 2, ◆Arkansas State 1, Mississippi 1, Southern 1, TCU 1.

LW = last week

◆ = 2005-06 Notre Dame opponent





Iona Series

Notre Dame Leads Series, 1-0

Date	Site	Result	Score
12/19/80	Philadelphia*	W	69-65

* = Penn Holiday Tournament

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	69	69.0
Iona	65	65.0

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 1 game

Muffet McGraw vs. Iona: First meeting

Anthony Bozzella vs. Notre Dame: First meeting

McGraw vs. Bozzella: First meeting

ND Biggest Win: 4 (69-65 on 12/19/80)

IONA Biggest Win: None

ND Longest Win Streak: 1 (1980)

IONA Longest Win Streak: None

It's A Local Call

During its first seven games of the season, Notre Dame leaves the state of Indiana just twice. Back on Nov. 20, the Irish traveled one hour over the state line to Western Michigan (a 71-68 victory in Kalamazoo). Notre Dame will hit the open road again this weekend, visiting Wisconsin Sunday for a 1:30 p.m. (CT) game in Madison.

Of the remaining five games in this unique opening part of the schedule, three are home contests (Michigan, USC, Iona) and two are against in-state rivals (Indiana and Purdue).

Get 'Em While They're Hot

Tickets are going extremely fast for Notre Dame's Dec. 31 home game vs. Tennessee at the Joyce Center. As of Nov. 28, less than 1,000 tickets were available to the general public for the New Year's Eve matinee, which will represent the Lady Vols' first visit to South Bend since 1994.

Should the game sell out, it would be the third capacity crowd in Notre Dame women's basketball history and the first since the 2000-01 season. That year, the Irish hosted two sellouts at the Joyce Center — Jan. 15 vs. No. 1 Connecticut (W, 92-76) and Feb. 24 vs. Georgetown (W, 65-53 on Senior Night).

For more information on how to obtain tickets for all Notre Dame women's basketball games, fans may contact the Irish athletics ticket office Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (ET) at (574) 631-7356 or stop by the ticket windows located on the second floor of the Joyce Center (enter via Gate 1).

Megan Duffy Named To BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

Senior guard **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, Ohio/Chaminade-Julienne HS) earned a place on the BIG EAST Conference Weekly Honor Roll, it was announced by the league office on Monday. The Weekly Honor Roll is a new citation presented by the BIG EAST this season to recognize additional players who were not chosen as the conference's Player or Freshman of the Week.

Duffy averaged 22.5 points, 5.5 assists and 5.0 steals per game with a .452 field goal percentage (14-of-31) last week as the Irish improved to 4-0 on the campaign with victories over Indiana (74-61) and No. 24/21 USC (73-62). Duffy poured in a career-high 26 points against Indiana, including 13 in the final eight minutes, and led the team in scoring with 19 points vs. the nationally-ranked Women of Troy.

In addition, Duffy played all 40 minutes in both games last week and committed just one turnover. That works out to a sparkling 11.00 assist/turnover ratio.

South Florida forward Jessica Dickson was named the BIG EAST Player of the Week after logging 28.3 ppg. and 7.0 rpg. in three wins.

Game #4 Recap: No. 24/21 USC

Nothing came easy for Notre Dame against USC.

The 13th-ranked Fighting Irish turned the ball over 20 times, struggled from the free-throw line down the stretch and scored in spurts, yet

LAST IRISH GAME VS. IONA

Notre Dame 69, Iona 65
Penn Holiday Tournament — First Round
December 19, 1980
The Palestra (Philadelphia, Pa.)

Iona (65)

Player	min	fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Grier	37	11-20	3-7	5	1	2	25
Burke	32	2-7	4-4	1	6	2	8
Taylor	17	2-7	0-2	0	0	2	4
Stephens	31	4-8	4-5	9	0	5	12
O'Connor	25	2-10	0-0	6	2	2	4
Sullivan	20	1-6	0-0	2	8	5	2
Johnson	24	4-6	2-4	11	1	3	10
Kelly	3	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0
Warner	11	0-2	0-0	2	2	1	0
Team				8			
Totals	200	26-68	13-22	45	20	22	65

Notre Dame (69)

Player	min	fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Lally	31	1-4	0-0	2	1	2	2
McManus	20	2-8	1-2	7	1	5	5
Conboy	8	2-4	0-0	1	1	2	4
Liebscher	22	4-10	0-0	9	1	3	8
Klauke	17	3-7	0-3	6	1	3	6
Ryan	18	3-12	3-4	4	0	1	9
Hensley	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Mullins	6	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Crowe	29	8-15	4-10	11	0	1	20
O'Malley	13	1-4	2-2	4	4	1	4
Smith	10	1-6	0-0	2	0	1	2
Matvey	21	2-7	5-7	7	0	3	9
Team				5			
Totals	200	27-78	15-28	60	9	22	69

Iona	37	28	--	65
Notre Dame	33	36	--	69

FG Pct: Iona 38.2, Notre Dame 34.6. **FT Pct:** Iona 59.1, Notre Dame 53.6. **Turnovers:** Iona 24, Notre Dame 18. **Attendance:** N/A.

managed to beat the 24th-ranked Trojans, 73-62 on Sunday at the Joyce Center.

"We'd kind of like to have one where it just looked good and felt good the whole game," Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** said. "But I think that's the way it's going to be for us this year."

McGraw was most pleased that the Irish didn't let the mistakes get them down.

"In the end, when we just couldn't make a free throw, and we had possessions where we couldn't make a rebound, I thought we just kept battling," she said. "I think that was one of the turning points for this young team. One of our worries was that when they made a lot of mistakes, they might put their heads down."

The Trojans trailed only 63-60 with 3:11 left, but were 1-of-9 from the field down the stretch. The drought included two air balls, and they missed front ends of two one-and-ones.

"We forced them to take some contested shots," McGraw said.

The Irish (4-0) pulled away despite missing six straight free throws in the final minutes. Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** drove end-to-end for a layup to give the Irish a 65-60 lead and start the decisive run. Senior guard **Megan Duffy**, who had a game-high 19 points, followed with a layup off one of her six steals. Notre Dame ended its poor shooting from the free throw line, making 6-of-7 to put the game away.

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** had career highs of 13 points and 10 rebounds for her first career double-double. Senior forward





Courtney LaVere had 16 points on 7-of-11 shooting, and sophomore guard **Charel Allen** added 13 points — both players came off the bench for the Irish.

Chloe Kerr led USC with 15 points and 11 rebounds, Camille LeNoir had 12 points, Es-haya Murphy had 11 and Jamie Hagiya had 10. However, USC shot just 31.9 percent from the floor in the game (23-of-72).

"If we could have shot around 36 percent, who knows?" USC coach Mark Trakh said. "You have to execute the last few minutes of the game. You have to make big shots, and Notre Dame did that."

It was the second straight road loss for the Trojans (2-2), who were 6-7 on the road last year.

Noting The USC Win

- The Irish knock off their first ranked opponent this season, their 15th in the past two-plus seasons and their 38th in the past seven-plus years; since the start of the 2003-04 season, Notre Dame is 11-2 at home against Top 25 teams (and one of the two losses was an 82-73 overtime setback to #15 Michigan State last season).
- Late-game runs have played a pivotal role in the last two Irish wins — Notre Dame closed its victory at Indiana on a 19-6 spurt, and ended the win over USC on a 10-2 charge.
- The Irish have won 56 of their last 59 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season.
- Notre Dame improves to 7-1 all-time against USC, including a 4-0 record at the Joyce Center; this year's score also was identical to the last time the Women of Troy came to South Bend (73-62 on Dec. 22, 2003).
- Notre Dame was one point shy of its largest point total in the series, while USC matched its second-highest series point total.
- The Irish now are 17-15 (.531) all-time against Pac-10 Conference teams, but have won 14 of their last 17 games vs. the Pac-10.
- The eight-point first-half deficit (29-21 at 4:36) was the largest for Notre Dame at any time this season.
- The Irish had a season-best four players score in double figures, the first time that's happened since March 6, 2005, when another Notre Dame quartet pulled off the feat vs. West Virginia in the BIG EAST Conference Championship quarterfinals at the Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center.
- Senior forward **Courtney LaVere** came off the bench to score 16 points, her highest output since she had 17 in a reserve role at Pittsburgh on Feb. 5, 2005.
- Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** registered new career highs with 13 points and 10 rebounds en route to her first career double-double; prior to this season, D'Amico had scored in double figures just once, but she has done so twice in four games this year.
- Junior guard **Breona Gray** made her first start of the season, grabbing a career-high eight rebounds and matching her personal best with three steals.

A Double Cheeseburger For Schrader

A 2005 McDonald's All-America selection who played in that elite all-star game back in March on her new home floor at the Joyce Center, freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** felt right at home from the first moment she stepped into the historic venue, scoring nine points in that contest.

As if there was any doubt about her abilities, Schrader put them all to rest in Friday's season-opening win vs. Michigan, rolling up a double-double (10 points, 14 rebounds) in her first college game, which she started. Schrader is just the second Notre Dame player ever to record a double-double in her debut contest, and the first Irish player to do so since the program elevated to Division I status in 1980-81 (ND was a Division III program for its first three seasons). The only other career-opening double-double by a Notre Dame freshman came from Shari Matvey, who had 21 points and 14 rebounds in a 68-60 conquest of Marion on Nov. 30, 1979 at the Taylor Invitational in Upland, Ind.

Give Her Five (Hundred)

With Notre Dame's 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, head coach **Muffet McGraw** became the 27th women's basketball coach in NCAA Division I history to reach the 500-win mark. McGraw now has a career record of 503-196 (.720) in 24 years of coaching, including 19 seasons at Notre Dame (415-155, .728).

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

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

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

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 (*Lindy's Annual*)
preseason "Terrific 10" (*Street & Smith's*)
preseason top five point guards in nation (ESPN.com)
preseason all-BIG EAST Conference
Nov. 28 BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

G Lindsay Schrader

Nov. 21 BIG EAST Freshman of the Week

Division I Coaches With 500 Wins Before Age 50

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

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

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 avg. 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).

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 cham-

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 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

pion 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. 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 in 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 11 of the 19 seasons 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, focuses 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 six seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 100-8 (.926) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 29 of their last 31 such contests. Notre Dame has opened this season by winning three of its first four games after it led at the break (the Irish were tied at halftime of Sunday's win over USC).

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past 11 seasons, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 151-9 (.944) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Notre Dame added another tally to this ongoing defensive trend with a 55-45 conquest of Michigan on opening night at the Joyce Center.

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

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past decade (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 91-3 (.968) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only

blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995 and a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998.

Sweet Success

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

The Gold Standard

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

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 129 of their last 140 games (.921) 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 ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 56 of their last 59 non-BIG EAST contests (.949) 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 279-72 (.795) record at the venerable facility. In three of the previous six seasons (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish were a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Jammin' The Joyce

Beginning with its national championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has ranked among the top 20 in the nation in attendance each of the past five years, including a No. 16 rating in 2004-05 (5,830 fans per game). Notre Dame has averaged 6,014 fans in its first two games this season, including 6,134 for the season opener Nov. 18 vs. Michigan.

What's more, each of the top 20 women's basketball crowds in Joyce Center history have occurred during the 19-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw** (1987-present), with 19 of those 20 occurring in the past six seasons

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).





2005-06 Trends

Day of the Week

Sunday	2-0
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	0-0
Wednesday	1-0
Thursday	0-0
Friday	1-0
Saturday	0-0

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m. local time)	2-0
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	2-0

Location

Home games	2-0
Road games	2-0
Neutral site games	0-0

Halftime score

Leading at the half	3-0
Tied at the half	1-0
Trailing at the half	0-0

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	2-0
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	0-0
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	2-0

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	2-0
Lower pct. than opponent	2-0
Shoot 45% or better	2-0
Shoot less than 45%	2-0
Hold opponent under 40%	2-0

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	3-0
Make same number of free throws	0-0
Make fewer free throws	1-0

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	3-0
Commit same number of turnovers	0-0
Commit more turnovers	1-0

Miscellaneous

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

Margin of Victory

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

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	0-0
Big Ten	2-0
Mid-American	1-0
Pac-10	1-0

Month

November	4-0
December	0-0
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0



(2000-01 to present). Lastly, the Irish have attracted at least 5,000 fans to 67 of their last 69 home games, including 12 contests with at least 8,000 fans and the first two sellouts in the program's history (both in 2001).

A third sellout could be on the horizon for Notre Dame, as there are less than 1,000 tickets remaining for the Dec. 31 game vs. Tennessee, the Lady Vols' first visit to the Joyce Center since 1994.

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 already is 2-0 in televised games this season. The Irish defeated both Western Michigan (71-68 on Nov. 20) and No. 24/21 USC (73-62 on Nov. 27) in contests broadcast live to a regional audience by Comcast Local (based in Detroit).

Six of the remaining seven 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. 29 vs. Iona** — Teddy Bear Toss (\$2 off admission when bringing a stuffed animal); on PA announcer's cue at halftime, toys will be tossed to the Joyce Center court and collected for donation to Toys for Tots ... 2005-06 Notre Dame women's basketball Beanie Bears will be given to the first 1,000 fans in attendance ... post-game autograph session with selected Irish players.

Next Game: Wisconsin

The Irish opened a two-game road trip against Big Ten Conference schools when they take on Wisconsin Sunday at 1:30 p.m. (CT) at the Kohl Center in Madison, Wis. Notre Dame is 4-2 all-time against the Badgers, whom they defeated in their last matchup, 82-64 on Dec. 4, 2003 at the Joyce Center.



2005-06 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 4-0 (Home: 2-0, Away: 2-0, Neutral: 0-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0

----- Notre Dame Highs -----											
Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	Time/Result	Streak	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 18	15/16		MICHIGAN	W 55-45	W1	1-0		Allen-16	Schrader-14	Duffy-8	6,134
Nov. 20	15/16		at Western Michigan ^{CL}	W 71-63	W2	2-0		Duffy-19	Duffy-7	two with 2	2,116
Nov. 23	13/15		at Indiana	W 74-61	W3	3-0		Duffy-26	LaVere-8	Duffy-5	976
Nov. 27	13/15	24/21	USC ^{CL}	W 73-62	W4	4-0		Duffy-19	D'Amico-10	Duffy-6	5,895
Nov. 29			IONA	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 4			at Wisconsin	1:30 p.m. CT							
Dec. 7			at Purdue	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 17			vs. Arkansas State ¹	2:30 p.m. PT							
Dec. 18			vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹	Noon/2:30 p.m. PT							
Dec. 28			VALPARAISO	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 31			TENNESSEE ^{CSTV}	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 4			• at St. John's	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 7			• SETON HALL	1 p.m. ET							
Jan. 10			• MARQUETTE	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 14			• at Louisville	1 p.m. ET							
Jan. 17			• DePAUL ^{CSTV}	7:30 p.m. ET							
Jan. 21			• at Georgetown	4 p.m. ET							
Jan. 24			• at Rutgers ^{CSTV}	7:30 p.m. ET							
Jan. 28			• SOUTH FLORIDA	Noon ET							
Jan. 31			• at Syracuse	7:30 p.m. ET							
Feb. 4			• PROVIDENCE	1 p.m. ET							
Feb. 7			• VILLANOVA ^{ESPN}	6 p.m. ET							
Feb. 12			• at DePaul ^{ESPN2}	4 p.m. CT							
Feb. 19			• CONNECTICUT ^{ESPN2}	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 22			• at West Virginia	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 25			• at Cincinnati ^{BETV}	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 28			• PITTSBURGH	7 p.m. ET							

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game

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

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

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

CL = Game televised live on Comcast Local

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

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

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

2005-06 ATTENDANCE

	Totals	Avg.	High
All Games:	15,121	3,780	6,134 (UM - 11/18)
Home:	12,029	6,014	6,134 (UM - 11/18)
Away:	3,092	1,546	2,116 (WMU - 11/20)
Neutral:	0	0	0

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

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Duffy, Megan	4-4	158-39.5	19-46	.413	7-18	.389	22-24	.917	1	13	14	3.5	5-0	21	7	0	16	67	16.8
Allen, Charel	4-0	97-24.3	17-34	.500	2-5	.400	8-15	.533	6	12	18	4.5	8-0	7	9	2	4	44	11.0
Schrader, Lindsay	4-4	121-30.3	15-34	.441	0-0	.000	6-19	.316	4	23	27	6.8	7-0	7	11	2	3	36	9.0
LaVere, Courtney	4-0	98-24.5	16-35	.457	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	10	10	20	5.0	10-0	4	8	5	3	36	9.0
D'Amico, Melissa	4-4	82-20.5	14-27	.519	0-0	.000	4-9	.444	7	15	22	5.5	13-0	1	4	7	0	32	8.0
Gray, Breona	4-1	107-26.8	10-28	.357	2-11	.182	6-6	1.000	3	10	13	3.3	4-0	3	5	0	6	28	7.0
Erwin, Crystal	4-4	82-21.5	5-15	.333	0-0	.000	8-9	.889	6	13	19	4.8	10-0	4	14	1	2	18	4.5
Gaines, Tulyah	3-3	48-16.0	3-9	.333	0-0	.000	6-9	.667	3	7	10	3.3	4-0	1	4	0	3	12	4.0
Smith, Chandrica	1-0	3-3.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team									12	8	20	5.0			2				
Notre Dame	4	800	99-229	.432	11-34	.324	64-95	.674	52	111	163	40.8	62-0	48	64	17	37	273	68.2
Opponents	4	800	88-243	.362	21-66	.318	39-57	.684	58	96	154	38.5	81-0	51	75	12	29	236	59.0

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 13, Opponents 4

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	133	140	-- 273
Opponents	115	121	-- 236



2005-06 Single Game Highs & Lows

Team Superlatives

NOTRE DAME HIGH	NOTRE DAME LOW	CATEGORY	OPPONENT HIGH	OPPONENT LOW
74 at Indiana (11/23/05)	55 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	Points/Game	68 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	45 by Michigan (11/18/05)
40 (2nd) vs. USC (11/27/05)	26 (1st) vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	Points/Half	38 (2nd) by W. Michigan (11/20/05)	20 (1st) by Michigan (11/18/05)
28 at Indiana (11/23/05)	18 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	Field Goals Made	25 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	18 by Michigan (11/18/05)
65 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	51 at Indiana (11/23/05)	Field Goal Attempts	72 by USC (11/27/05)	55 by Indiana (11/23/05)
.549 at Indiana (11/23/05)	.305 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	FG Percentage	.417 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.319 by USC (11/27/05)
6 at Indiana (11/23/05)	0 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Made	8 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	1 by Indiana (11/23/05)
13 at Indiana (11/23/05)	4 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Attempts	24 by USC (11/27/05)	7 by Indiana (11/23/05)
.462 at Indiana (11/23/05)	.000 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Percentage	.421 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.143 by Indiana (11/23/05)
19 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	12 at Indiana (11/23/05)	Free Throws Made	16 by Indiana (11/23/05)	3 by Michigan (11/18/05)
29 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	18 at Indiana (11/23/05)	Free Throw Attempts	23 by Indiana (11/23/05)	6 by Michigan (11/18/05)
.800 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.607 vs. USC (11/27/05)	FT Percentage	.769 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.500 by Michigan (11/18/05)
54 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	27 at Indiana (11/23/05)	Rebounds	44 by USC (11/27/05)	33 by Michigan (11/18/05)
15, twice (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)	7 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	Assists	15 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	10 by Indiana (11/23/05)
12 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	6 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	Steals	12 by USC (11/27/05)	4 by Indiana (11/23/05)
7 at Indiana (11/23/05)	2 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	Blocked Shots	5 by USC (11/27/05)	1 by Indiana (11/23/05)
20 vs. USC (11/27/05)	12 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	Turnovers	21 by Michigan (11/18/05)	17 by USC (11/27/05)
18 at Indiana (11/23/05)	12 vs. USC (11/27/05)	Fouls	23 by Michigan (11/18/05)	18 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)

Individual Superlatives

	NOTRE DAME	OPPONENT
Points Scored	26 by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	29 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Field Goals Made	8 by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Field Goal Attempts	15 by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	19 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)	.636 (7-11) by Courtney LaVere vs. USC (11/27/05)	.833 (5-6) by Carrie Smith of Indiana (11/23/05)
3-Point Field Goals Made	3, twice (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. USC, 11/27/05)	7* by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	8 by Megan Duffy vs. USC (11/27/05)	10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)	.500 (3-6) by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	1.000 (2-2) by Ta'Shia Walker of Michigan (11/18/05)
Free Throws Made	8 by Megan Duffy at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	6 by Jenny DeMuth/Whitney Thomas of Indiana (11/23/05)
Free Throw Attempts	8, three times (MR: by Charel Allen vs. USC, 11/27/05)	10 by Jenny DeMuth of Indiana (11/23/05)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)	1.000 (8-8) by Megan Duffy at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	1.000 (4-4), twice (MR: by Allison Jaskowiak of USC, 11/27/05)
Rebounds	14 by Lindsay Schrader vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	12 by Whitney Thomas of Indiana (11/23/05)
Assists	8 by Megan Duffy vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	7 by Tiera DeLaHoussaye of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Steals	6 by Megan Duffy vs. USC (11/27/05)	3, three times (MR: Jaskowiak/Murphy of USC, 11/27/05)
Blocked Shots	3 by Melissa D'Amico at Indiana (11/23/05)	2, three times (MR: by Jamie Funn of USC, 11/27/05)
Turnovers	8 by Lindsay Schrader vs. USC (11/27/05)	5 by Jamie Hagiya of USC (11/27/05)
Minutes Played	40, twice (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. USC, 11/27/05)	40, three times (DeLaHoussaye/Moore/Rost of WMU, 11/20/05)

* = tied Notre Dame opponent record





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

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall		3-Point		FT-A	Pct.	Rebs.		PF-DQ	A	TO	B	S	Pts
	FG-A	Pct.	FG-A	Pct.			Off-Def-Tot							
NOTRE DAME (6,134)	18-59	.305	0-4	.000	19-29	.655	22-32-54	16-0	11	19	2	12	55	
vs. Michigan	18-56	.321	6-16	.375	3-6	.500	9-24-33	23-0	14	21	4	8	45	
NOTRE DAME	27-65	.415	1-6	.167	16-20	.800	14-25-39	16-0	7	12	5	6	71	
at Western Michigan (2,116)	25-60	.417	8-19	.421	10-13	.769	11-26-37	18-0	15	18	2	5	68	
NOTRE DAME	28-51	.549	6-13	.462	12-18	.667	5-22-27	18-0	15	13	7	8	74	
at Indiana (976)	22-55	.400	1-7	.143	16-23	.696	17-23-40	19-0	10	19	1	4	61	
NOTRE DAME (5,895)	26-54	.481	4-11	.364	17-28	.607	11-32-43	12-0	15	20	3	11	73	
vs. USC	23-72	.319	6-24	.250	10-15	.667	21-23-44	21-0	12	17	5	12	62	

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



**2005-06 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists**

Opponent	Gaines	Allen	Tsipis	Duffy	Bolden	Smith	Trezza	Schrader	Gray	D'Amico	Erwin	LaVere
MICHIGAN	6-4-0	16-5-0	DNP	3-4-8	DNP	DNP	DNP	10-14-2	6-2-1	10-7-0	0-3-0	4-7-0
@ Western Michigan	6-5-1	4-5-1	DNP	19-7-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	11-5-0	6-1-0	8-4-1	7-5-2	10-5-0
@ Indiana	0-1-0	11-4-4	DNP	26-1-5	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	7-4-3	14-2-1	1-1-0	9-4-1	6-8-1
USC	DNP	13-4-2	DNP	19-2-6	DNP	DNP	DNP	8-4-2	2-8-1	13-10-0	2-7-1	16-0-3

Home games in ALL CAPS
DNP = did not play



2005-06 Miscellaneous Statistics

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Most First Half Points Scored	38 at Western Michigan (11/20)	
Most First Half Points Allowed	33 by USC (11/27)	
Most Second Half Points Scored	40 vs. USC (11/27)	
Most Second Half Points Allowed	38 by Western Michigan (11/20)	
Fewest First Half Points Scored	26 vs. Michigan (11/18)	
Fewest First Half Points Allowed	20 by Michigan (11/18)	
Fewest Second Half Points Scored	29 vs. Michigan (11/18)	
Fewest Second Half Points Allowed	25 by Michigan (11/18)	

Largest Leads

Notre Dame: 15 — 74-59 (1:33, 2nd) at Indiana (ND 74-61), 11/23

Opponent: 8 — 29-21 (4:36, 1st) by USC (ND 73-62), 11/27

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 8 — 29-21 (4:36, 1st) by USC (ND 73-62), 11/27

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: None

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

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

Rebound Advantage: ND: 2 (ND Record — 2-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 2 (ND Record — 2-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

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

Notre Dame Margin: +29 points, +7.3 ppg. (ND — 106 pts., 26.5 ppg.; Opponents — 77 pts., 19.3 ppg.)

Point Differential	3	10	11	13
Notre Dame Wins	1	1	1	1
Notre Dame Losses	0	0	0	0

Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks ALL GAMES vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS

Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gaines, Schrader.....3-0

Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gray, Schrader.....1-0

Complete Games Played: 2 // Opponents: 3

Most Minutes: 40, twice (Megan Duffy at Indiana, 11/23; Duffy vs. USC, 11/27)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 13 (Allen 3, Duffy 3, D'Amico 2, LaVere 2, Schrader 2, Gray 1) // Opponents: 11

20-29-Point Games: 1 (Duffy 1) // Opponents: 2

30-39-Point Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 3 (Duffy 2, Allen 1)

Team-High Honors*: 4 (Duffy 3, Allen 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 2 (D'Amico 1, Schrader 1) // Opponents: 3

Game-High Honors*: 1 (Schrader 1)

Team-High Honors*: 4 (D'Amico 1, Duffy 1, LaVere 1, Schrader 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 3 (Duffy 3)

Team-High Honors*: 5 (Duffy 4, Erwin 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 2 (D'Amico 1 - USC; Schrader 1 - UM) // Opponents: 3

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





The Last Time It Happened...

Notre Dame recorded a

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

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

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

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

Notre Dame shot

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

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

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

Notre Dame

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

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

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

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

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

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

• scored 100 points on the road never

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

• scored 100 points & lost never

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

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

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

played an overtime game was on 12/2/04 (Michigan State 82, ND 73 - ot)*

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

rallied from a double-digit deficit to win was on 2/15/05 — 15 points (11-26, 1:57, 1st) at Boston College (ND 54-47)

won on a "last second" shot was on 12/19/04 (ND 50, Marquette 47 — Jacqueline Batteast three-pointer at 0:00)

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

had five double-figure scorers was on 11/12/04 (ND 92, Illinois State 73) — Courtney LaVere 18, Megan Duffy 15, Charel Allen 14, Jacqueline Batteast 13, Teresa Borton 11,

Crystal Erwin 10* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

had six double-figure scorers was on 11/12/04 (ND 92, Illinois State 73) — Courtney LaVere 18, Megan Duffy 15, Charel Allen 14, Jacqueline Batteast 13, Teresa Borton 11,

Crystal Erwin 10* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

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

Beth Morgan 11, Jeannine Augustin 10

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

committed 10 turnovers or less was on 2/15/05 (ND 54, Boston College 47) — 10 turnovers

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

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

An Irish player had

25 points was on 11/23/05 — Megan Duffy (26) at Indiana (ND 74-61)

30 points was on 11/20/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (32) vs. Ohio State (ND 66-62)* (*Preseason WNIT Championship Game at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a "double-double" was on 11/27/05 — Melissa D'Amico (13 pts., 10 reb.) vs. USC (ND 73-62)*

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

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

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

An opposing player had

25 points was on 11/20/05 — Casey Rost (29), Western Michigan (ND 71-68)

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

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

10 rebounds was on 11/27/05 — Chloe Kerr (11), USC (ND 73-62)*

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

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

10 assists was on 12/4/03 — Stephanie Rich (12), Wisconsin (ND 82-64)*

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

5 steals was on 3/21/05 — Carrie Buckner (5), Arizona State (ASU 70-61) (*NCAA Tempe Region Second Round at Fresno, Calif.*)

a "double-double" was on 11/27/05 — Chloe Kerr (15 pts., 11 reb.), USC (ND 73-62)*

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

* = indicates Notre Dame home game



2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 1

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

Michigan (45)

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

Notre Dame (55)

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

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

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

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



GAME 2

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

Notre Dame (71)

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

Western Michigan (68)

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

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

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

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

GAME 3

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

Notre Dame (74)

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

Indiana (61)

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

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

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

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



2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 4

#13/15 Notre Dame 73, #24/21 USC 62
November 27, 2005
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

USC (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Funn	21	1-7	0-0	2-4	3	2	2	4
Kerr	31	6-16	0-0	3-5	11	3	3	15
Hagiya	19	4-7	2-3	0-1	2	2	4	10
Gnekow	19	0-2	0-2	0-0	5	1	3	0
Murphy	34	5-18	1-7	0-0	8	2	2	11
LeNoir	30	5-15	2-8	0-0	3	1	3	12
Jelks	11	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	1	0
Lea	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Jaskowiak	27	1-3	1-2	4-4	3	1	2	7
Parker	6	1-2	0-0	1-1	2	0	1	3
Team					7			
Totals	200	23-72	6-24	10-15	44	12	21	62

Notre Dame (73)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Erwin	20	0-0	0-0	2-2	7	1	2	2
D'Amico	32	6-10	0-0	1-3	10	0	2	13
Duffy	40	6-16	3-8	4-4	2	6	1	19
Schrader	27	3-7	0-0	2-7	4	2	1	8
Gray	30	0-3	0-1	2-2	8	1	1	2
Allen	22	4-7	1-2	4-8	4	2	3	13
LaVere	29	7-11	0-0	2-2	0	3	2	16
Team					8			
Totals	200	26-54	4-11	17-28	43	15	12	73

USC	33	29	--	62
Notre Dame	33	40	--	73

FG Pct: USC 31.9, Notre Dame 48.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** USC 25.0, Notre Dame 36.4. **FT Pct:** USC 66.7, Notre Dame 60.7. **Turnovers:** USC 17, Notre Dame 20. **Blocked Shots:** USC 5 (Funn 2), Notre Dame 3. **Steals:** USC 12 (Murphy, Jaskowiak 3), Notre Dame 11 (Duffy 6). **Attendance:** 5,895.

NOTES: Notre Dame is off to a 4-0 start for the second consecutive season, the first time in the program's 29-year history the Irish have put together back-to-back 4-0 starts (last year's team began the year 7-0) ... the Irish knock off their first ranked opponent this season, their 15th in the past two-plus seasons and their 38th in the past seven-plus years ... since the start of the 2003-04 season, Notre Dame is 11-2 at home against Top 25 teams (and one of the two losses was an 82-73 overtime setback to #15 Michigan State last season) ... late-game runs have played a pivotal role in the last two Irish wins — Notre Dame closed its victory at Indiana on a 19-6 spurt, and ended the win over USC on a 10-2 charge ... the Irish have won 56 of their last 59 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season ... Notre Dame improves to 7-1 all-time against USC, including a 4-0 record at the Joyce Center ... this year's score also was identical to the last time the Women of Troy came to South Bend (73-62 on Dec. 22, 2003) ... Notre Dame was one point shy of its largest point total in the series, while USC matched its second-highest series point total ... the Irish now are 17-15 (.531) all-time against Pac-10 Conference teams, but have won 14 of their last 17 games vs. the Pac-10 ... the eight-point first-half deficit (29-21 at 4:36) was the largest for Notre Dame at any time this season ... the Irish had a season-best four players score in double figures, the first time that's happened since March 6, 2005, when another Notre Dame quartet pulled off the feat vs. West Virginia in the BIG EAST Conference Championship quarterfinals at the Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center ... senior forward Courtney LaVere came off the bench to score 16 points, her highest output since she had 17 in a reserve role at Pittsburgh on Feb. 5, 2005 ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico registered new career highs with 13 points and 10 rebounds en route to her first career double-double ... junior guard Breona Gray grabbed a career-high eight rebounds and matched her personal best with three steals ... senior guard Megan Duffy's six steals were one away from her career high — she also played all 40 minutes for the second consecutive game and has had 11 assists and only one turnover in those 80 combined minutes.

#1 Tulyah Gaines

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started first three games of the season, the first starting assignments of her career.
- ◆ Had six points, four rebounds and three steals in season-opening win vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points and five rebounds in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Suffered injury to right ankle two minutes into game at Indiana ... did not play vs. USC.



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

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

Assists

Career..... 4 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Field Goals

Career.... 4 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 6 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career.....4, three times (MR: vs. Mich., 11/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)

Steals

Career.....3, three times (MR: vs. Mich., 11/18/05)

Blocked Shots

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

Minutes Played

Career.....27 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Miscellaneous

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

Gaines' Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	29-0	398-13.7	21-63	.333	0-0	.000	27-42	.643	17	40	57	2.0	39-0	31	56	1	24	69	2.4
2005-06	3-3	48-16.0	3-9	.333	0-0	.000	6-9	.667	3	7	10	3.3	4-0	1	4	0	3	12	4.0
TOTALS	32-3	446-13.9	24-72	.333	0-0	.000	33-51	.647	20	47	67	2.1	43-0	32	60	1	27	81	2.5

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

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

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#2 Charel Allen

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has come off bench in each of first three games as she gradually works her way back to full strength (off-season surgery to repair torn ACL from 2005 NCAA Tournament).
- ◆ Scored game-high 16 points (6-14 FG) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Cracked double figures for second time this season with 11 points and career-high tying four assists at Indiana — six points came in game-changing 27-8 second-half run.
- ◆ Tossed in 13 points (4-7 FG) and hit three key free throws in the final minute to preserve victory over #24/21 USC.



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

Career..9, twice (MR: at Seton Hall, 3/1/05)

Assists

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

Field Goals

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

Field Goal Attempts

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

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 2, twice (MR: at Syracuse, 1/19/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career...2, four times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Free Throws

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

Free Throw Attempts

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

Steals

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

Blocked Shots

Career.....2, twice (MR: vs. CSU, 11/22/04)

Minutes Played

Career.....32, three times (MR: at Pitt., 2/5/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games 3/12
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/1
(noted in season/career format)

Allen's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	33-0	794-24.1	87-199	.437	7-16	.438	72-85	.847	48	89	137	4.2	63-1	47	60	11	39	253	7.7
2005-06	4-0	97-24.3	17-34	.500	2-5	.400	8-15	.533	6	12	18	4.5	8-0	7	9	2	4	44	11.0
TOTALS	37-0	891-24.1	104-233	.446	9-21	.429	80-100	.800	54	101	155	4.2	71-1	54	69	13	43	297	8.0

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

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

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#11 Amanda Tsipis

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has yet to see action during the '05-06 regular season.
- ◆ Scored four points in each of Notre Dame's two exhibition games this year.



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

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

Assists

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

Field Goals

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

Field Goal Attempts

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

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

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

Free Throw Attempts

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

Steals

Career.....None

Blocked Shots

Career.....None

Minutes Played

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

Miscellaneous

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

Tsipis' Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	12-0	32-2.7	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	0.1	1-0	1	2	0	0	6	0.5
2005-06	Has not yet played this season																		
TOTALS	12-0	32-2.7	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	0.1	1-0	1	2	0	0	6	0.5

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

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

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

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
- ◆ John R. Wooden Women's Award Preseason All-American
- ◆ First-team preseason All-American (Women's Basketball News Service)
- ◆ Third-team preseason All-American (*Lindy's College Basketball Annual*)
- ◆ "Terrific 10" (*Street & Smith's*)
- ◆ Top five point guards in the nation (ESPN.com)
- ◆ Preseason all-BIG EAST Conference

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Team co-captain (second year).
- ◆ Started all four games this season (41 starts in a row and 68 of the past 69 games; only non-start came on March 2, 2004 vs. Syracuse, when she yielded her place in the lineup for Senior Night).
- ◆ Leads team in scoring (16.8 ppg.), assists (5.3 apg.) and steals (4.0 spg.), while playing a team-high 39.5 minutes per game thus far (at least 39 min. in all four games).
- ◆ Had scoring limited vs. Michigan (three points), but found other ways to contribute with game highs of eight assists and four steals.
- ◆ Tallied team-best 19 points and seven rebounds at Western Michigan; also connected on four free throws in the final 26 seconds to seal victory.
- ◆ Pumped in career-high 26 points (8-15 FG, 3-6 3FG) at Indiana, including 13 in a game-changing 27-8 run late in the second half ... also dished out five assists and had four steals without a turnover while playing all 40 minutes.
- ◆ Led team in scoring for third consecutive game, finishing with game-best 19 points vs. #24/21 USC, along with six assists (one turnover) and six steals.

Duffy In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Second in free throw percentage (.850)
- ◆ Fourth in minutes per game (31.62)
- ◆ Sixth in assists (397)
- ◆ Sixth in assists per game (3.93)
- ◆ Sixth in three-point field goals made (110)
- ◆ Sixth in three-point field goal attempts (292)
- ◆ Eighth in free throws made (290)
- ◆ Tied for eighth in three-point percentage (.377)
- ◆ Ninth in steals per game (1.75)
- ◆ 10th in minutes played (3,194)



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 26 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 8 vs. Villanova (3/9/03)

Assists

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

Field Goals

Career... 8, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/23/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 16 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

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

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 10 vs. Wisconsin (12/4/03)

Free Throws

Career..... 11 at St. John's (2/17/04)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 13 at St. John's (2/17/04)

Steals

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

Blocked Shots

Career.... 1, four times (MR: vs. ASU, 3/21/05)

Minutes Played

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

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/2
 Double-figure scoring games..... 3/43
 20-point games 1/6
 Double-figure assist games..... 0/4
 5-assist games 3/39
 5-steal games..... 1/6
(noted in season/career format)

Duffy's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2002-03	32-5	748-23.4	22-91	.242	7-35	.200	45-59	.763	9	51	60	1.9	59-1	73	78	1	26	96	3.0
2003-04	32-31	1066-33.3	93-231	.403	46-114	.404	86-105	.819	11	82	93	2.9	56-0	125	92	1	45	318	9.9
2004-05	33-33	1222-37.0	110-252	.437	50-125	.400	137-153	.895	7	94	101	3.1	50-0	178	103	2	90	407	12.3
2005-06	4-4	158-39.5	19-46	.413	7-18	.389	22-24	.917	1	13	14	3.5	5-0	21	7	0	16	67	16.8
TOTALS	101-73	3194-31.6	244-620	.394	110-292	.377	290-341	.850	28	240	268	2.7	170-1	397	280	4	177	888	8.8

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	39	0-5	0-0	3-4	1	3	4	1	8	3	0	4	3
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	39	5-10	1-4	8-8	0	7	7	1	2	3	0	2	19
N23	@ Indiana [^]	40	8-15	3-6	7-8	0	1	1	2	5	0	0	4	26
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	40	6-16	3-8	4-4	0	2	2	1	6	1	0	6	19
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
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J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
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F22	• @ West Virginia													
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#14 Brittney Bolden

Guard • 5-7 • Fr.-HS • South Bend, Ind. (Adams HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Walk-on player added to roster following preseason tryouts.
- ◆ Has not yet appeared in a game this season.
- ◆ Averaged five minutes in Notre Dame's two exhibition games this year; had two assists vs. Indianapolis and one steal vs. Ferris State.



Career Highs

Points
Career.....None

Rebounds
Career.....None

Assists
Career.....None

Field Goals
Career.....None

Field Goal Attempts
Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goals
Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts
Career.....None

Free Throws
Career.....None

Free Throw Attempts
Career.....None

Steals
Career.....None

Blocked Shots
Career.....None

Minutes Played
Career.....None

Miscellaneous

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

Bolden's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2005-06		Has not yet played this season																	
TOTALS		Has not yet played in her career																	

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Brittney Bolden

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana		Did not play											
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
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J17	• DePaul													
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F25	• @ Cincinnati													
F28	• Pittsburgh													

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
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J31	• @ Syracuse													
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#22 Christine Trezza

Forward • 6-0 • Fr.-HS • Staten Island, N.Y. (Notre Dame Academy HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Walk-on player added to roster following preseason tryouts.
- ◆ Has not yet appeared in a game this season.
- ◆ Played in both of Notre Dame's exhibition games, scoring one point (1-2 FT) with two rebounds and a steal in five minutes vs. Ferris State.



Career Highs

Points
Career.....None

Rebounds
Career.....None

Assists
Career.....None

Field Goals
Career.....None

Field Goal Attempts
Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goals
Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts
Career.....None

Free Throws
Career.....None

Free Throw Attempts
Career.....None

Steals
Career.....None

Blocked Shots
Career.....None

Minutes Played
Career.....None

Miscellaneous

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

Trezza's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.	
2005-06		Has not yet played this season																		
TOTALS		Has not yet played in her career																		

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Christine Trezza

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	
N18	Michigan		Did not play												
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play												
N23	@ Indiana		Did not play												
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play												
N29	Iona														
D4	@ Wisconsin														
D7	@ Purdue														
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹														
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹														
D28	Valparaiso														
D31	Tennessee														
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#24 Lindsay Schrader

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

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Freshman of the Week (Nov. 21)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all four games this season ... became first Notre Dame freshman to start season opener since Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton vs. Valparaiso on Nov. 18, 2001.
- ◆ Leads team in rebounding (6.8 rpg.), is second in minutes played (30.3 per game) and tied for third in scoring (9.0 ppg.).
- ◆ Opened college career with a bang, posting a double-double vs. Michigan with 10 points and 14 rebounds ... only second player in school history to register double-double in college debut (Shari Matvey - 21p, 14r vs. Marion on Nov. 30, 1979) ... 14 rebounds also were most by Irish player since Batteast's 18 boards at Connecticut on Feb. 23, 2003.
- ◆ Tossed in season-high 11 points and grabbed five rebounds at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Contributed seven points, four rebounds and season-bests of three assists and two blocks in win at Indiana.
- ◆ Had eight points, four rebounds in victory over #24/21 USC.



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 11 at W. Michigan (11/20/05)

Rebounds

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

Assists

Career..... 3 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Field Goals

Career..... 5 at W. Michigan (11/20/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 11 at W. Michigan (11/20/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career.....2, twice (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Steals

Career..... 1, three times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Blocked Shots

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

Minutes Played

Career.....33, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/23/05)

Miscellaneous

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

Schrader's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2005-06	4-4	121-30.3	15-34	.441	0-0	.000	6-19	.316	4	23	27	6.8	7-0	7	11	2	3	36	9.0
TOTALS	4-4	121-30.3	15-34	.441	0-0	.000	6-19	.316	4	23	27	6.8	7-0	7	11	2	3	36	9.0

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	33	4-9	0-0	2-6	3	11	14	3	2	1	0	1	10
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	28	5-11	0-0	1-2	1	4	5	2	0	1	0	1	11
N23	@ Indiana [^]	33	3-7	0-0	1-4	0	4	4	1	3	1	2	0	7
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	27	3-7	0-0	2-7	0	4	4	1	2	8	0	1	8
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
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#32 Breona Gray

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Came off the bench in first three games, before moving into the starting lineup in Sunday's win vs. #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Had six points (4-4 FT) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Was key factor in win at Indiana, replacing injured Tulyah Gaines early in first half and going on to score 14 points (6-11 FG, 2-5 3FG) ...10 of her markers came in first half.
- ◆ Made first start vs. #24/21 USC, collecting career-high eight rebounds and matching personal standard with three steals.



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

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

Assists

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

Field Goals

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

Field Goal Attempts

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

Three-Point Field Goals

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

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

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

Free Throws

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

Free Throw Attempts

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

Steals

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

Blocked Shots

Career... 1, four times (MR: at Prov., 2/9/05)

Minutes Played

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

Miscellaneous

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

Gray's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2003-04	29-0	330-11.4	24-58	.414	0-10	.000	17-27	.630	13	32	45	1.6	25-0	8	25	2	13	65	2.2
2004-05	33-33	788-23.9	69-188	.367	2-6	.333	40-57	.702	35	75	110	3.3	31-0	54	54	2	41	180	5.5
2005-06	4-1	107-26.8	10-28	.357	2-11	.182	6-6	1.000	3	10	13	3.3	4-0	3	5	0	6	28	7.0
TOTALS	66-34	1225-18.6	103-274	.376	4-27	.148	63-90	.700	51	117	168	2.5	60-0	65	84	4	60	273	4.1

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan	21	1-7	0-3	4-4	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	6
N20	@ Western Michigan	23	3-7	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	6
N23	@ Indiana	33	6-11	2-5	0-0	0	2	2	1	1	1	0	1	14
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	30	0-3	0-1	2-2	2	6	8	1	1	3	0	3	2
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
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#33 Melissa D'Amico

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all four games this season, the first starting assignments of her career.
- ◆ Leads team in blocked shots (1.75 bpg.) and field goal percentage (.519), and is second in rebounding (5.5 rpg.).
- ◆ Made first career start in season opener vs. Michigan, recording second-ever double-digit scoring night with 10 points and career-high seven rebounds in a personal-best 25 minutes of action.
- ◆ Scored eight points in 16 minutes at Western Michigan, then blocked career-high three shots in nine minutes at Indiana ... saddled with foul trouble in both games.
- ◆ Turned in best game to date with first career double-double vs. #24/21 USC, logging career highs of 13 points (6-10 FG) and 10 rebounds in a personal-best 32 minutes.



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 13 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 10 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Assists

Career... 1, five times (MR: at WMU, 11/20/05)

Field Goals

Career.....6, twice (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 10 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career...2, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 11/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career...4, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 11/18/05)

Steals

Career.... 1, three times (MR: at Valpo., 11/30/04)

Blocked Shots

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

Minutes Played

Career..... 32 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 1/1

Double-figure scoring games..... 2/3

20-point games 0/0

Double-figure rebound games 1/1

5-block games..... 0/0

(noted in season/career format)

D'Amico's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2004-05	26-0	159-6.1	21-48	.438	0-0	.000	7-16	.438	15	22	37	1.4	34-0	4	14	12	3	49	1.9
2005-06	4-4	82-20.5	14-27	.519	0-0	.000	4-9	.444	7	15	22	5.5	13-0	1	4	7	0	32	8.0
TOTALS	30-4	241-8.0	35-75	.467	0-0	.000	11-25	.440	22	37	59	2.0	47-0	5	18	19	3	81	2.7

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	25	4-9	0-0	2-4	2	5	7	3	0	1	1	0	10
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	16	4-7	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	4	1	0	2	0	8
N23	@ Indiana [^]	9	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	4	0	1	3	0	1
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	32	6-10	0-0	1-3	3	7	10	2	0	2	1	0	13
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
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J17	• DePaul													
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J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
F4	• Providence													
F7	• Villanova													
F12	• @ DePaul													
F19	• Connecticut													
F22	• @ West Virginia													
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#34 Crystal Erwin

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all four games this season, coming off impressive summer workouts and strong improvement in her all-around game.
- ◆ Fourth on the team in rebounding (4.8 rpg.).
- ◆ Had quality minutes in win at Western Michigan, finishing with seven points and five rebounds.
- ◆ Registered perfect shooting night at Indiana (3-3 FG, 3-3 FT), ending up with nine points and four rebounds despite picking up fourth foul with 13 minutes to play.
- ◆ Had season-high seven rebounds in 20 minutes vs. #24/21 USC.



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

Career.....10 vs. St. John's (1/26/05)

Assists

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

Field Goals

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

Field Goal Attempts

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

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

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

Free Throw Attempts

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

Steals

Career..... 4 vs. Middle Tenn. (3/23/04)

Blocked Shots

Career.... 1, 16 times (MR: at WMU, 11/20/05)

Minutes Played

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

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/1
 Double-figure scoring games..... 0/7
 20-point games 0/2
 Double-figure rebound games 0/1
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Erwin's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2003-04	32-0	353-11.0	42-94	.447	0-0	.000	22-42	.524	26	41	67	2.1	72-2	15	45	7	23	106	3.3
2004-05	33-17	579-17.5	67-162	.414	0-0	.000	40-71	.563	51	75	126	3.8	82-4	29	55	8	18	174	5.3
2005-06	4-4	86-21.5	5-15	.333	0-0	.000	8-9	.889	6	13	19	4.8	10-0	4	14	1	2	18	4.5
TOTALS	69-21	1018-14.8	114-271	.421	0-0	.000	70-122	.574	83	129	212	3.1	164-6	48	114	16	43	298	4.3

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

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	17	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	2	0	5	0	0	0
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	28	2-9	0-0	3-4	1	4	5	2	2	2	1	1	7
N23	@ Indiana [^]	21	3-3	0-0	3-3	2	2	4	4	1	2	0	0	9
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	20	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	6	7	2	1	5	0	1	2
N29	Iona													
D4	@ Wisconsin													
D7	@ Purdue													
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹													
D18	vs. N.C. State/Utah ¹													
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
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F12	• @ DePaul													
F19	• Connecticut													
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#41 Courtney LaVere

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

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Team co-captain (first year).
- ◆ Has come off the bench in all four games this season, as she continues to recover from handful of injuries.
- ◆ Third on team in rebounding (5.0 rpg.), with half of 20 rebounds coming on offensive glass ... also second in blocked shots (1.25 bpg.) and tied for third in scoring (9.0 ppg.).
- ◆ Collected four points and seven rebounds in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Notched first double-digit game of season with 10 points and five rebounds (four offensive) at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Had solid all-around effort at Indiana with six points (3-4 FG) and eight rebounds, including five critical boards in final seven minutes ... also logged 900th career point and 100th career block vs. the Hoosiers (eighth player in school history with 100 blocks).
- ◆ Sparked Irish past #24/21 USC with season-high 16 points (7-11 FG) in 29 minutes.

LaVere In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Eighth in blocked shots (101)
- ◆ Ninth in blocks per game (1.05)



Career Highs

Points

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

Rebounds

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

Assists

Career..5, twice (MR: vs. Illinois St., 11/12/04)

Field Goals

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

Field Goal Attempts

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

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....1, five times (MR: at Syr., 1/19/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....2 vs. Penn State (3/27/04)

Free Throws

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

Free Throw Attempts

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

Steals

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

Blocked Shots

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

Minutes Played

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

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles.....0/8
 Double-figure scoring games.....2/45
 20-point games.....0/6
 Double-figure rebound games.....2/8
 5-block games.....0/1
(noted in season/career format)

LaVere's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2002-03	32-10	723-22.6	151-311	.486	1-3	.333	95-136	.699	81	99	180	5.6	88-5	21	80	27	19	398	12.4
2003-04	32-17	709-22.2	113-274	.412	3-10	.300	47-85	.553	61	84	145	4.5	87-1	30	75	41	36	276	8.6
2004-05	28-16	583-20.8	88-190	.463	1-6	.167	34-59	.576	34	76	110	3.9	61-2	37	57	28	26	211	7.5
2005-06	4-0	98-24.5	16-35	.457	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	10	10	20	5.0	10-0	4	8	5	3	36	9.0
TOTALS	96-43	2113-22.0	368-810	.454	5-19	.263	180-284	.634	186	269	455	4.7	246-8	92	220	101	84	921	9.6

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

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

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