



**#7 Ross Brezovsky**

Sophomore  
Second Baseman

Naples, Florida  
Barron Collier H.S.

5-10 • 170 • Bats: Left

Returning starter at second base who has shown marked improvements in preseason workouts, most notably in his defensive consistency and in using the whole field more during his at-bats ... a scrappy and hard-nosed player whose offensive role revolves around putting the ball in play, moving runners over and minimizing strikeouts ... beginning to show the benefits of lessons learned in an often challenging rookie season ... an all-state shortstop as a prep, with athletic ability and skills to play multiple infield positions ... has similarities to former Notre Dame standout third baseman Andrew Bushey ('02), due to strong arm and quality lefthanded swing with occasional power ... combines good bat control with tremendous bat speed for smooth swing that is quick and compact ... combines with sophomore pitchers Wade Korpi and Joey Williamson and freshman infielder Eddy Mendiola as four Florida natives on 2006 roster ... known for his energetic attitude and love for the game, with great hustle and baseball instincts ... played alongside classmate David Gruener on the Hays (Kan.) Larks of the Jayhawk League, during the summer of 2005 ... hit .256 with 15 walks and 18 runs scored in 31 games played with the Larks (8 RBI, 3 2B, 12 Ks) ... current Notre Dame seniors Craig Cooper and Cody Rizzo played with the Larks in '03 ... his teammates on the '05 Hays team included two players - Bowling Green's Eric Lawson and Tyler Wasserman - from teams regularly on the ND schedule ... played key role for victorious Gold team (10-9) in '04 fall intrasquad scrimmage (2-for-4, BB), with RBI single and clutch two-run double in bottom of the 8th (9-9) before scoring winning run ... reprised those heroics as batting leader for victorious Blue in 2005 intrasquad series (4-for-9, 2 RBI, 2 R, 2B, BB, 2 SB) ... one of 15 Floridians to play for Notre Dame in the Paul Mainieri era (the program's all-time monogram winners include 18 from Florida) ... enters 2006 spring semester with 3.26 cumulative GPA (3.20 in '05 fall semester).

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Shared '05 team lead in triples (2), also ranking 4th in doubles (8) and 5th in sac. bunts (6) ... hit .320 vs. LHPs (.239 vs. RHPs) ... compiled .298 leadoff on-base pct. while batting .288 with runners in scoring position, .246 with 2-outs ... advanced runners 44% of the time ... other '05 stats included .261 batting avg. in 56 GP/53 GS (35 R, 2 3B, 2 HR, 20 RBI, .356 slugging, .329 on-base, 3-5 SBs, 13 Es/.944 fielding pct.) ... made 15 of his 53 starts at third base, 34 at second (final 35 games) and three at SS (single start at LF) ... hit mostly at bottom of order (24 starts in 8-hole), with four early starts as leadoff batter ... made 10 early errors at third but totaled just 3 Es at second in final 34 GP ... had just one error in final 15 games (81 chances) ... batted .200 in BIG EAST regular season (3 RBI, 10 R, HR, 2B, 4 BB) ... hit 34 points higher on the road (.278, 11 RBI, 18 R, HR, 3 3B, 4 2B, 4 BB) than at home (.244, 9 RBI, 17 R, HR, 3 2B, 13 BB) ... batted 1-for-13 at NCAA Gainesville Regional (R, BB, 4 Ks) after going 2-for-9 at BIG EAST Tournament (RBI, 2 R, 2B, K) ... had 5 RBI in late-April win over Cleveland State (4-for-4, HR, 2B, BB; 13-3) and similar game two weeks late at Pittsburgh (4-for-4, RBI, 4 R, HR, BB; 21-1) ... helped upset #17 USC with pair of RBI (13-6) ... played lead role in 5-2 win over Villanova (2-for-3, 3 R, SB) ... his groundrule double scored Alex Nettey to end 4-3 win over Florida A&M (at UCF, on opening week) ... closed Dayton series with 3-for-4 game (2 R, HBP; 10-11) ... hit 3-for-5 versus Oral Roberts (R) en route to earning all-tournament spot at Alamo City Irish Baseball Classic (.357, 5-for-14, 3 R, 3B).

**PREP & PERSONAL:** Named second team all-state as senior at Barron Collier High School, batting .390 with 21 RBI (HR, 9 2B, 10 SB) and earning Gold Glove Award (4 Es in 42 GP) ... second team all-state as junior after leading team with .425 batting

(.546 OB, 5 3B, 41 R, 16 SB) and serving as closer for regional runner-up (26-7) ... rated by *Baseball America* as one of nation's top 400 prospects (65th in Florida) ... Team One Baseball listed him as nation's #37 prospect among prep shortstops ... hit .352 as a sophomore (21 RBI, 14 SB, 9 saves) ... only freshman on '01 varsity (.310, 15 RBI, 12 SB) ... led team to conference titles final two seasons, earning team MVP in '03 and '04 (also all-conference, all-city) ... senior team captain ... MVP with Central Florida Renegades in summer of '03 (team-best .354, just 6 Es in 61 GP) ... named to top prospect team at '03 Perfect Game showcase (Ft. Myers) ... selected for Diamond Club Showcase that features top 80 seniors in Florida ... named to '03 and '04 Bud Adamson and Bud Roth all-tournament teams ... played in Southwest Florida senior all-star game and senior all-star classic ... graduated with 4.2 GPA ... lettered as sophomore receiver on BCHS football team ... made official visit on '03 ND-Washington State football weekend (player host was Cody Rizzo) ... father Paul Brezovsky played lacrosse at Ashland ... born Aug. 26, 1985, in Mt. Kisco, N.Y. ... son of Paul and Karen Brezovsky ... full name is Ross Joseph Brezovsky ... enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters ... intends to major in economics.



**Brezovsky's Career Stats**

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB	SLG	AVG
2005	56/53	188	35	49	8	2	2	20	17	4	42	4/6	3-5	.329	.356	.261



# The **ND** Sophomores

Projectable lefthander with great arm strength and mound presence ... a key to his improvement in 2006 will be greater command of the strike zone with all his pitches ... joins senior Tom Thornton, junior Mike Dury, classmate Wade Korpi and freshman Sam Elam in giving the Irish staff lefthanded pitchers in each class ... attracted pro scouts while playing at lower-division high school ... has made key strides in mechanics while improving his off-speed pitches... burst onto scene in fall of '03, with boost in velocity ... throws a quality slider and changeup, with good movement ... has a powerful leg drive and competitive maturity ... a tough matchup due to his low arm-slot ... pitched for the Blue team in the 2004 fall intrasquad game (2 IP, 6 H, 4 R, BB, 3 Ks, HB) but did not pitch in the 2005 fall intrasquad series due to a minor injury ... played alongside classmate Ross Brezovsky on the Hays (Kan.) Larks of the Jayhawk League, during the summer of 2005 ... started nine of his 11 outings with the Larks (one complete game), coming a 3.63 ERA and 5-2 record while totaling 59 strikeouts, 23 walks and 44 hits allowed in 52.0 innings ... other recent Notre Dame players to play for the Larks include current seniors Craig Cooper and Cody Rizzo (in '03) ... his teammates on the '05 Hays team included two players - Bowling Green's Eric Lawson and Tyler Wasserman - from teams regularly on the Notre Dame schedule ... one of six Washington natives to play for Notre Dame in the Paul Mainieri era ... previous Notre Dame baseball players to wear 29 include RHP Chuck Symeon (who tossed a shutout vs. Texas at the 1957 College World Series).

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Finished rookie season with a 5.95 ERA, 0-1 record and a save in 14 appearances (one start) ... totaled nine strikeouts, 10 walks and 29 hits allowed (.329 opponent batting average) in 19.2 innings pitched ... did not allow an inherited runner to score (0-of-8) ... logged four effective relief innings to qualify for the save versus Florida A&M, at Central Florida, in his college debut (4 IP, 5 H, 2 R/ER, BB, 3 Ks, BK; 18-3) ... tossed 2.0 shutout innings in 10-2 win over Dayton, played at the Chicago Cubs spring train-

ing site (HoHoKam Park) in Mesa, Ariz. (H, BB, 2 Ks) ... had a 10.64 ERA after his first six outings but did not allow a run in his final eight appearances (8.2 IP, 6 H, 6 BB, 3 Ks) for the final ERA of 5.95 ... started in 5-0 shutout of Manchester, as part of a planned rotation (3 IP, 2 H, 2 BB, 2 Ks).

**PREP & PERSONAL:**

First varsity athlete from Life Christian Academy to sign with Div. I school ... all-state as senior (1.90 ERA, 4-1, 65 Ks, 30 IP, 5 BB) ... 1.96 ERA as junior (42 Ks, 5 BB, 25 IP) ... rated among nation's top 300 prospects, 9th in Washington (per Perfect Game/Baseball America) ... three times all-conference ... two-year captain, '02 and '04 MVP ... strong '03 summer with Riptide club (1.75, 66 Ks, 24 BB, 71 H, 68 IP) ... topped out at 91 mph at Arizona Fall Classic (fall '02) ... pitched at '02 Jr. Olympics (Tucson), '03 Area Code Games (Long Beach), '03 Silver Glove Showcase (Houston) ... rated No. 5 pitcher at '03 Stanford All-Star Camp ... 11th in *Baseball Northwest* rankings for top '04 prospects ... played in Pacific Northwest Championships (Washington Metros) ... member of Baseball Northwest team, with impressive fall '03 outing vs. Tacoma JC (4-plus IP, 8 Ks, 0 R) ... lettered in football as freshman and sophomore ... (QB/TE) ... his brothers went to Tacoma Baptist ... graduated with 3.87 GPA ... sophomore class president ... campus visit on '03 ND-Florida State football

## #29 David Gruener

Sophomore  
Lefthanded Pitcher

Gig Harbor, Washington  
Life Christian Academy H.S.

6-2 • 195



weekend (player hosts were Cody Rizzo, Mike Dury) ... brother Chris played football at Azusa Pacific, cousin Andy Holden at Pacific Lutheran ... born Sept. 21, 1985, in Tacoma, Wash. ... son of Roger and Shirleen Gruener ... full name is David Scott Gruener ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business.

**Gruener's Career Stats**

Year	G/GS/CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HB	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA
2005	14/1/0	19.2	29	17	13	10	9	1	0	1	.349	0	0-1	1	5.95





**#13 Wade Korpi**

Sophomore  
Lefthanded Pitcher

Lake Worth, Florida  
Santaluces H.S.

5-10 • 180

included 1.45 ERA (4-3, 73 Ks, 53 IP) ... key member of 2003 Florida Bombers summer team, with 4.1 IP to help win World Wood Bat Association's senior-division national title (also won Connie Mack state crown) ... played in Cuba three times, most recently during the summer of '03 (15 Ks, 2 H, 0 R, 9 IP vs. Cuban under-18 national team) ... one of nine pitchers selected to represent *Baseball America* team at Perfect Game World Wood Bat Championship in Jupiter, Fla. ... played in county all-star game ... ranked academically among top 5% of his class ... made campus visit on '03 ND-Michigan State football weekend ... born March 10, 1986, in Sneedville, Tenn. ... son of Evelyn and Brian Korpi ... full name is Wade Jared Korpi ... an anthropology major, in the College of Arts and Letters.



Second-year lefthander who rates as one of the most improved members of the Irish staff ... set to enter 2006 season in tremendous physical shape and with a renewed command of the strike zone with all three of his pitches ... could emerge in expanded role, after serving as midweek starter and lone reliever in 2005 ... a polished lefthander who ranked among the best prep pitchers in the southeast while starring alongside his current Notre Dame classmate Joey Williamson on staff at Santaluces High School (they were the first teammates to sign with the Irish in the Paul Mainieri era) ... has advanced knowledge of the game and makes excellent use of his fastball, changeup and curve ... crafty pitcher who knows how to set up hitters ... product of strong youth-baseball area ... has a mature mound presence ... able to repeat his delivery on consistent basis ... continues to make strides in controlling the running game ... played during the summer of '05 with the Valley League's Staunton (Va.) Braves, posting 5.47 ERA and 53 strikeouts as staff workhorse (2-3 record, 10 appearances, 9 starts, 49.1 innings, 29 walks, 50 hits allowed, .259 opp. batting avg.) ... two of his Staunton teammates play for BIG EAST newcomers: South Florida third baseman Joey Angleberger and Louisville's David Torcise ... also earlier played with Torcise and USF's Blake Tillet on the Florida Bombers summer team ... pitched for the Gold team during Notre Dame's 2004 fall intrasquad scrimmage (2.1 IP, 5 H, 5 R/2 ER, BB, K) and also made a start for the Blue team in the 2005 intrasquad series (he had no-decision)... one of 16 Floridians to play for the Irish in the Paul Mainieri era ... other Notre Dame players who have worn No. 13 include power-hitting first baseman Joe Binkiewicz ('92) ... enters 2006 spring semester with a 3.11 cumulative GPA, including a 3.40 in the fall of '05.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Ranked 3rd on the 2005 staff in starts (9), 4th in wins (4-3), innings (54.1) and groundouts (54), and 5th in strikeouts (32) and appearances (18) ... his other '05 stats included a 5.47 ERA, 33 walks and 73 hits allowed (.327 opp. avg.) ... made college debut as opening-week starter versus Florida A&M, at Central Florida (5.1 IP, 7 H, 3 R/2 ER, 5 BB, 3 Ks; no-decision in 4-3 win) ... tossed relief inning for first win of season, versus Cincinnati (H; 10-4) ... picked up next two wins as starter versus Western Michigan (5 IP, 6 H, 3 R, 3 BB, 3 Ks; 9-5) and Toledo (6 IP, 6 H, 2 R/ER, 3 Ks; 6-2) ... posted season-high 8 strikeouts in 10-4 loss to Central Michigan (5 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 4 BB) ... drew start versus Purdue at South Bend's minor-league Coveleski Stadium (6 IP, 11 H, 6 R/3 ER, BB, K; 9-7) ... registered final win in 7-2 game versus Oakland (4 IP, 4 H, R, 3 BB, K) ... allowed just a single earned run in 5.0 innings as starter and tough-luck loser versus #19 USC (5 H, 3 R, 2 BB, 2 Ks; 3-9) ... lost final game of season as starter versus host Florida, in NCAA regional (2.1 IP, 3 H, 5 R, 3 BB, 2 Ks).

**PREP & PERSONAL:** Closed career at Santaluces High School with first team all-state honors (10-0, 1.18 ERA, school-record 125 Ks, 28 BB, 28 H, 65 IP, 2 saves) ... led county in wins and Ks ... his '04 nine-inning averages included: 17.3 Ks, 3.9 BB and 3.9 H (4.5 K-BB ratio) ... rated among nation's top 250 prospects, 45th in Florida (per Perfect Game/*Baseball America*) ... led team to '03 and '04 conference titles ('04 national ranking) ... named all-conference and all-city in final two seasons, three times honorable mention all-area (first team in '04) ... posted 1.06 ERA as a junior (4-1, 63 Ks, 39 IP; 14.5 Ks per 9 IP) on '03 squad that was ranked No. 1 in the state ... his sophomore season

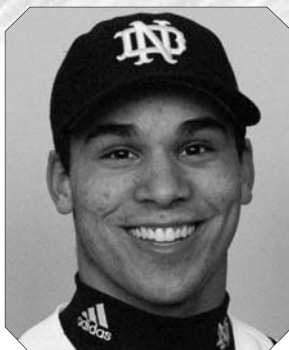
**Korpi's Career Stats**

Year	G/GS/CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HB	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA
2005	18/9/0	54.1	73	44	33	33	32	4	7	1	.327	3	4-3	0	5.47





Versatile sophomore returns alongside junior Mike Dury and freshman Jeremy Barnes as three players on 2006 roster who are effective two-way players ... could see time as a corner outfielder, hard-hitting DH or key reliever ... could be in the mix for the open closer spot, along with classmate Joey Williamson and freshman Kyle Weiland ... solid righthanded pitcher with great athleticism and arm strength ... has deceptive delivery from multiple arm angles, with good mastery from the 3/4 slot ... key to his success could be greater consistency from the lower slot, yielding more effectiveness with his sinker and slider ... spunky competitor and strike thrower, with a tough fastball plus a good breaking ball and changeup ... has significant arm speed and late break ... continue to make strides in his mechanics ... a free-swinger from the right side, with good bat speed ... already has made a name for himself by consistently distinguishing himself with clutch performances at the plate and on the mound ... loves to play the game full-speed ... a hard hitter who can spray the ball around the park ... played during the summer of 2005 with the Euleus LoneStars of the Texas Collegiate League ... several of his LoneStars teammates play for teams on ND's '06 schedule: Arizona's J.T. Bloodworth and Texas A&M's Chance Corgan, Blake Rampy and Keith Stein ... picked up win for Gold team in '04 fall intrasquad game (3 IP, 3 H, 3 R, BB, 4 Ks; hit 2-for-4, BB) ... tossed scoreless relief inning in '05 Blue-Gold series but tagged with bad-luck



#3 **Tony Langford**

Sophomore  
RH Pitcher/Outfielder

Fort Worth, Texas  
Fort Worth Country Day H.S.

5-11 • 180 • Bats: Right



loss (H, 2 UER, 2 BB; also batted 2-for-9 with an RBI ... joins fellow pitchers Barnes, Jeff Manship and Sam Elam as three of eight Texas natives to play for Irish in Paul Mainieri era (the program's all-time monogram winners include 14 from Texas) ... inherited No. 3 jersey worn previously by All-America second baseman Steve Sollmann.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Finished 4th on '05 team in RBI (28), 5th in slugging pct. (.384) and home runs (3) ... also 3rd on team in 2-out RBI (16), 4th in 2-out batting (.309), 5th in batting with runners in scoring position (.317) ... owned .286 leadoff on-base pct. ... hit .274 vs. RHPs, .302 vs. LHPs ... 0-for-5 with bases loaded ... 1-for-3 as a pinch-hitter ... advanced baserunners 47% of the time ... owned a -14 plate-discipline ratio (3 BB+2 HBP-19 Ks) ... other '05 stats included .283 batting avg. in 51 GP/39 GS (45-for-159, 16 R, 7 2B, .384 slugging, .303 on-base, sac. fly, sac. bunt, 1-1 SBs and an error) ... emerged as key reliever, compiling 3.63 ERA in 17.1 IP (2-0, save, 16 H/258 opp. avg., 6 BB, 13 Ks) ... starts included 20 in left, 17 at DH and 2 in right ... hit mostly in 5-hole (18), plus starts in 6th (10) and 7th (9) spots (one each batting cleanup and 8th) ... hit .273 in BIG EAST regular season (15 RBI, 2 HR) ... hit .279 on road (5th on team; 15 RBI, 2 HR), .286 at home (13 RBI, HR) ... hit .246 post-finals, including 2-for-11 at NCAA Gainesville Regional (3 GP/2 GS, R, 2B, K) ... helped beat Stetson in 7-4 NCAA elimination game (2-for-5, R, 2B) ... played lead role in late-season upset of #17 USC (3-for-5, 2-run HR, 2 R; 13-6) ... hit 4-for-10 to help sweep WVU in final week (2 RBI, R, BB) ... went 3-for-4 in first start, vs. Southwest Missouri (3 RBI, R, BB), followed by 2-for-4 game vs. Evansville (2B

and 2-for-5 vs. South Dakota State (RBI) ... added 3-for-6 effort in game-2 vs. Georgetown (RBI, 2 R, 2B) ... hit 2-run HRs in 8th and 9th to fuel late comeback in extra-inning loss at Rutgers ... went 3-for-4 in win over Bowling Green (RBI, 2 R, 2B, SAC ... worked out of jam to win 12-inning game vs. Purdue (0.2 IP, BB, K) and saved win next day versus Valparaiso (1.2 IP, H, 3 BB, K) ... helped beat Pittsburgh in BIG EAST winners-bracket game (IP, H, K; 4-2) ... logged nine straight appearances without being charged for a run (9.2 IP, H, 4 BB, 8 Ks) ... allowed just 2-of-9 inherited runners to score.

**PREP & PERSONAL:** Star for Ft. Worth Country Day High School and summer-league Arlington Wizards - both coached by former big leaguer Cecil Espy (he logged eight seasons with the Reds, Rangers, Pirates, Dodgers) ... played for Dallas Knights in summer of '04 (1.42 ERA, 42 Ks, 29.2 IP; hit .382) ... four times all-conference, all-area ... senior season included 1.11 ERA (5-3, 81 Ks, 18 BB, 50 IP, 24 H, .174 opp. avg., save, 11 GP/8 GS, 14 Ks per 9 IP) and .413 batting (3 HR, 3 3B, 8 2B, 7 R, 19 RBI, 489 OB, .700 slugging, 12 BB) ... rated #71 prep prospect in Texas (Perfect Game/Baseball America) ... '03 summer included shutout stints vs. Midwest Prospects (6 Ks, 5 IP) and Austin-based Advanced Baseball Academy (11 Ks, 0 H, 6.0 IP), at World Wood Bat Nationals in East Cobb, Ga.) ... posted 2.25 ERA as junior (6-2, 2 saves, .211 avg., 67 Ks, 13 BB, 32 H, 47.2 IP) while batting .338 (24 R, 10 RBI, 4 3B, 5 2B, 9 SB) ... team MVP as freshman (conference champs) and senior (captain) ... hit .422 with '02 Wizards (24 R, 12 SB, 14 RBI, 7 2B, 2 3B) ... played in three Perfect Game All-Star Games ... all-conference (league's top passer) in football as sophomore and junior ... named Ft. Worth area's outstanding Hispanic youth leader of '03 ... a student ambassador executive ... visited campus on ND-USC football weekend (player hosts were Sollmann, Javi Sanchez, Grant Johnson) ... sister Lisa Langford plays softball at Louisiana Tech ... born Aug. 17, 1985, in Dallas ... son of Anita Langford ... full name is Michael Anthony Langford ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business.

**Langford's Career Stats**

Year	G/GS/CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HB	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA	
2005	15/0/0	17.1	16	9	7	6	13	1	3	1	.258	0	2-0	1	3.63	
Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB	SLG	AVG
2005	44/39	159	16	45	7	0	3	28	3	2	19	1/1	1-1	.303	.384	.283





**Brett  
#2 Lilley**

**Sophomore • Third Baseman**

**North Canton, Ohio  
Hoover H.S.**

**5-7 • 165 • Bats: Left**

Returning starter at third base, tabbed for pre-season all-BIG EAST honors by the league's coaches and *Baseball America* (which also rated him the BIG EAST's "top defensive third baseman") ... his first season with the Irish in 2005 produced Freshman All-America honors (also third team all-BIG EAST and league rookie of the year) ... set for return from back injury that sidelined him for most of 2005 summer (he played just four games with the Delaware, Ohio, Cows) and all of '05 fall practice ... pesky left-handed batter and strong top-of-the-order producer, due to his on-base ability and advanced hitting approach ... led the BIG EAST in '05 with a .502 on-base pct. that included 30 times hit-by-pitch (4th-most in NCAA history) ... top candidate for All-America and Academic All-America honors, entering '06 with 3.62 cumulative GPA as a business major (3.67 in spring of '05, 3.65 in fall of '05) ... tough competitor and strong leader who plays with controlled intensity ... effective bunter who also can hit for high average ... has great knowledge of strike zone and fireplug attitude that puts pressure on defenses ... shows great ability to control bat and use whole field, with gap power ... adds speed and great baserunning instincts ... has great range and quickness, with good hands and strong arm ... prep shortstop who has proved to be a fearless defensive player at the hot corner in '05 ... hit 1-for-5 (R, SB) for Blue in '04 fall intrasquad game ... 13th Ohio native (five starters from '02 CWS team) to play for Irish in 12-year Mainieri era (64

all-time monogram winners) ... inherited No. 2 jersey worn previously by All-American Steve Stanley ('02) ... his former Central Catholic HS teammates Alex Schmidt (Ball State) and Brad Competty (Oakland) play for teams on Notre Dame's 2006 schedule.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Earned Freshman All-America honors (per *Collegiate Baseball*) while also being named BIG EAST rookie of the year and third team all-BIG EAST ... completed one of top seasons ever by ND freshman, leading team in six categories ... joined Eric Danapilis (.429, in '90) and Pete Schmidt (.367, '71) as only freshmen ever to lead the Irish in batting (.355) ... his .502 on-base pct. was best in BIG EAST and just shy of ND freshman record (.509, by Danapilis), also 9th in ND history (2nd-best since '94) ... his team-record 30 times hit-by-pitch ranked 2nd in nation and 4th in Div. I history ... totaled 76 hits and 64 "free passes" (34 walks, 30 HBP), with Ryan Topham (63 BB, 4 HBP in '95) being the only ND player ever with more free passes in a season ... led team in batting with runners in scoring position (.448) and with 2-outs (.439, 12 RBI), 3rd with .515 leadoff OB ... advanced runners team-best 66% of time, delivered RBI 73% of time (2nd on team; 11-of-15) with runner on 3rd and fewer than 2-outs, and owned team-best .368 batting vs. RHPs (4th with .323 vs. LHPs) ... team leader in plate discipline, at +31 (34 BB+30 HBP-33 Ks; rest of team was -16) ... midseason switch from second to third base helped turn ND's season around (14-14 start; 24-10-1 after switch) ... made just 8 errors at third (35 GP, 29 E-free; .923 fielding pct.), after ND had 18 third-base Es in first half of '05 ... had hits in 55 of 63 games, reached base in 58 and went hitless in back-to-back games just twice (no 3-game hitless slumps) ... BIG EAST leader in OB, 6th in walks (34) and runs (56), 8th in hits (76), 9th in batting ... led BIG EAST freshmen in batting, OB and walks (2nd in runs) ... could have been first team all-BIG EAST but two top hitters - BC's Jared McGuire (.381) and WVU's Justin Jenkins (.359) - also played third ... team leader in batting, OB, HBPs and sac. bunts (9) ... joined Matt Edwards as only players to start all 63 games ... 2nd on the team in hits, runs, walks and multi-hit games (20), 3rd in multi-RBI games (9), 4th in stolen bases (9), total bases (81) and RBI (28) ... had 5-hit game vs. Cincinnati, a 4-for-4 vs. UConn and six 3-hit games ... other '05 stats: 5 doubles, .379 slugging, 14 Es and .949 fielding pct. - plus .333 batting in BIG EAST games (20 R

... his 51 error-free games included 21-game span without an E (96 chances) from March 24-April 21 and 14-game E-free stretch (five postseason games) ... made just one error in BIG EAST play (.990) ... Brian Stavisky (64, in '00) is only ND freshman ever to start or play in more games ... his 172 fielding assists set ND freshman record ... Brant Ust (66, in '97) is only ND freshman ever to score more runs ... team's 2nd-best hitter in postseason (.360, 5 RBI, 5 R, 5 HBP) ... hit .417 in NCAA Gainesville Regional (5-for-12, 3 RBI, 2 R, 4 HBP) ... 2nd on team in batting at home (.415, 15 RBI, 30 R, 18 BB, 10 HBP) and on road (.308, 13 RBI, 26 R, 16 BB, 20 HBP) ... made 63 starts in 2-hole (12 leadoff) ... had 4 HBP (one shy of NCAA record) in early win at Central Florida (4-2) ... first ND freshman ever to post 5-hit game in home opener (vs. Cincinnati, 2 RBI, R, 2 SB) ... hit 2-for-4 with key opposite-field double in 13-6 upset of #17 USC (2 RBI, R, SAC) ... helped post 21-1 win at Pittsburgh (2-for-5, 3 R, HBP) ... played lead roles in NCAA wins over Stetson (3-for-5, 2-run single; 7-4) and UNC (RBI single, 2 HBP; 3-0) ... had back-to-back hitless games on Spring Break but went 10 weeks before his only other consecutive games without a hit.

**PREP & PERSONAL:** Set Canton Central Catholic HS record for career batting avg. (.483; school-record .495 as freshman) ... played for Hoover HS as senior but slowed by hand injury (6-for-16, 5 RBI, 4 BB, 3 HBP) ... rated among Ohio's top-10 prospects (#1 at 2B), per *Buckeye Scout* ... all-state SS for '03 CCCHS team that went 32-2 as state runner-up (.469, 28 RBI, 45 R, HR, 2 3B, 15 2B, 13 BB, state-record 19 HBP, .685 OB, 8 Es, 33 GP) ... first team all-state as sophomore 2B (.486, 19 RBI, 32 R, 6 2B, 3B, 19 BB, 7 HBP, .630 OB, 4 Ks, 2 Es, 25 GP) ... hit .495 in '01 (all-district, 33 RBI, 40 R, 12 2B, 2 3B, 5 SB, 11 BB, 5 HBP, .632 OB, 4 Es, 29 GP) ... one of two preps in '04 summer Pizza Oven Wood-Bat League, featuring former college/pro players and rated nation's best amateur league ... named to Pizza Oven all-state game (2nd on team with .387 batting; also 13 BB) ... played '02-'03 summers with Stark County Stars (hit .440 for '02 Regional runner-up) ... played summer of '01 for Boys of Summer regional qualifier (team-best .550 batting) ... competed in St. Louis with Ron Hunt Eagles in summers of '99 (team-best .450) and '00 (team-best .522) ... lettered as WR, DB and kicker with Hoover ('00) and CCC ('01-'02) football (only sophomore to start both ways in '01) ... made 8-of-9 FGs as prep (33-yarder sent '01 regional-title game into OT) ... member of National Honor Society (4.41 GPA) ... visited campus on USC-ND football weekend (player host was Greg Lopez) ... his sister Tricia is a star softball shortstop at Purdue ... born July 30, 1985, in Canton, Ohio ... son of Bill and Deborah Lilley ... full name is Brett William Lilley ... enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business.



**Lilley's Career Stats**

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB	SLG	AVG
2005	63/63	214	56	76	5	0	0	28	34	30	33	1/9	9-18	.502	.379	.355



# The Sophomores

Second-year member of pitching staff who could be in the mix for the vacant closer's role in 2006 ... coming off a strong 2005 summer season while also seeing a big boost in his velocity since the end of the '05 college season ... becoming more of a power pitcher as his fastball pushes into the low-90s ... tremendous competitor on the mound whose success in '06 could hinge on his overall consistency ... could make a big jump in his production after up-and-down freshman season while adjusting to the college game ... has strong arm keen desire to challenge hitters ... throws a sinking fastball with movement on both sides of the plate, to go along with a tough slider and changeup that he is comfortable throwing on any count ... has the physical tools and mechanics to dominate on the college level ... pitched as a prep in talent-rich Florida, alongside Notre Dame classmate Wade Korpi at Santaluces High School (they were the first teammates to sign with the Irish in the Paul Mainieri era) ... he and Korpi combined for a 19-1 record, 0.87 ERA and 215 strikeouts in 133 innings as 2004 all-state performers) ... was top pitcher for the 2002 U.S. Youth National Team ... played during the summer of '05 with the Valley League's Luray (Va.) Wranglers, posting impressive numbers that included a 2.06 ERA, 42 strikeouts, just 20 walks and 26 hits allowed, and a low .188 opponent batting average in 39.1 innings (3-0, 9 GP/6 GS) ... could face four of his Luray teammates - Jordan Tolliver, Josh Irvine, Adam Amar and Marcus Davis - when Notre Dame plays Memphis in Millington, Tenn. ... two other members of he '05 Wranglers (Kyle Matuszek and Doug Nelms) play in the BIG EAST Conference, at West Virginia ... had an impressive start (3 IP, 2 H, R, 2 BB, 2 Ks) for the Blue team in the 2004 fall intrasquad game ... also posted win in relief for the victorious Blue team in Notre Dame's 2005 fall intrasquad series (2.1 IP, 2 H, BB, K) ... one of 15 Floridians to play for the Irish baseball program during the Paul Mainieri era ... joined 20 of his teammates in posting a GPA above 3.0 (3.08) during the 2005 fall semester.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Went 1-1 with a 6.66 ERA in 14 appearances, including two starts ... totaled 18 strikeouts and nine walks in 25.2 innings, allowing 37 hits (.330 opponent batting average) ... ranked 4th on staff with 10.52 groundouts per 9 IP, also 5th in Ks per 9 IP (6.31) and groundout-to-flyout



## #51 Joey Williamson

Sophomore  
Righthanded Pitcher

Lantana, Florida  
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ratio (1.07) ... allowed 5-of-10 inherited baserunners to score ... helped beat Florida A&M in his college debut (3 IP, 2 H, 2 BB, 2 Ks, 4-3) ... hard-luck loser (5 UER) in 13-9 game versus Dayton, in Mesa, Ariz. (2.1 IP, 5 H, 6 R/1 ER, 3 BB, 4 Ks) ... beat Chicago State in first start of season, logging four innings as part of planned rotation (8 H, 3 R, BB, K; 15-3) ... touched for pair of unearned runs in 3.0 innings versus Ball State (4 Ks) ... made second start versus Valparaiso (3.0 IP, 9 H, 6 R, K, 2 HBP; 9-7) ... allowed just an unearned run in 3.0 innings versus Oakland (H, 2 K; 7-2).

**PREP & PERSONAL:** Named first team all-state as senior at Santaluces High School, after posting a county-best 0.57 ERA plus a 9-1 record, 90 Ks, 22 walks and 43 hits allowed in 68 innings (with one save) ... his 9-inning averages in '04 included: 11.9 Ks, 2.9 BB and 4.3 H (4.1 K-to-BB ratio) ... rated among nation's top 150 prospects and 31st in Florida (Perfect Game/Baseball America) ... four times named all-conference, twice all-city and senior team MVP ... helped team win three conference ('02-'04) and two regional titles ('03-'04), plus national ranking ... played in county and state all-star games ... saw limited time on the mound as a junior (1.35, 2-0, 2 SV, 50 Ks, 25 IP) while playing first base for state's top-ranked team (also was a catcher during his prep career) ... one of two 15-year-olds on 2002 U.S. Youth National Team, helping win Pan Am Games silver medal in Venezuela ... also won elimination game versus the Dominican Republic (5 IP, 0 R, H, BB, 5 Ks; 6-2) ... retired first nine batters he faced and had sacrifice bunt to help U.S. rally for 5-run inning (the U.S. beat Mexico but lost to Cuba in 3-1 final) ... had short start in earlier win over Antilles (1.2 IP, 3 H, 1 ER, 3 Ks) ... qualified for U.S. team at trials in Houston (trained in Miami) ... had breakthrough '03 fall season at showcase events ... posted 10 Ks in 5.0 innings versus Puerto Rico select national team (fall '03; 2 H, BB) while competing with West Palm Beach Yellow Jackets at Perfect Game Showcase ... competed in

fall of '03 at MLB Pro Scouts Diamond Showcases, after starring with Team Florida USA in summer of '03 and earning an invite to U.S. Junior National Team try-outs in Joplin, Mo. (he was one of the youngest players invited) ... named all-tournament at the 2003 Westminster Invitational in Ft. Lauderdale (5 IP, 0 R; hit over .300, 2 HRs) ... member of the National Honor Society ... visited campus on '03 ND-Michigan State football weekend ... born Jan. 28, 1986, in Atlanta ... son of David Williamson and Phyllis Wager ... full name is Joseph David Williamson ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters ... intends to major in political science and computer applications.



### Williamson's Career Stats

Year	G/GS/CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HB	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA
2005	14/2/0	25.2	37	28	19	9	18	2	9	1	.330	0	1-1	0	6.66

