A photograph of a basketball player, Senior Torrian Jones, in action. He is wearing a white Notre Dame basketball jersey with "IRISH 20" printed on the front. The jersey also features a small American flag patch on the right shoulder and "NOTRE DAME" on the left. He is dribbling a basketball with his right hand. The background shows a blue basketball court with a Notre Dame logo and a crowd of spectators.

Senior Torrian Jones

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2003-04 UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME MEN'S BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS



NOTRE DAME DIRECTORY:

Location Notre Dame, Indiana 46556
 Founded 1842
 Enrollment 10,311
 Nickname Fighting Irish
 Colors Gold and Blue
 President Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.
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 Athletic Department Website www.und.com

MEN'S BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS:

Head Coach Mike Brey (George Washington '82)
 Career Record 165-83 (.665)/8 years
 Record at Notre Dame 66-31 (.680)/3 years
 Associate Head Coach Sean Kearney (Scranton '81)
 Assistant Coaches Lewis Preston (Virginia Military Institute '93)
 Rod Balanis (Georgia Tech '93)
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations Martin Ingelsby (Notre Dame '01)
 Men's Basketball Office (574) 631-6225
 Conference BIG EAST
 Home Arena (Capacity) Joyce Center (11,418)
 Starters Returning/Lost 3/2
 Monogram Returning/Lost 7/4
 2002-03 Record 24-10
 2002-03 BIG EAST Conference Record 10-6
 BIG EAST Regular Season Finish T3rd in BIG EAST WEST DIVISION
 BIG EAST Tournament Results lost to St. John's (86-83), first round
 Postseason NCAA West Regional Semifinals
 def. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (70-69), first round
 def. Illinois (68-60), second round
 lost to Arizona (71-88), regional semifinal
 2003-04 Captains TBA

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FACTS ON THE FIGHTING IRISH:

Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Monogram Winners Returning/Lost: 7/4
Newcomers: 4

Monogram Winners Returning (7)
***denotes numbers of monograms won**

Rick Cornett* 6-8/244, So., F, 2.5 ppg., 1.1 rpg.
 Jordan Cornette** 6-9/235, Jr., F, 3.0 ppg., 4.2 rpg.
 Torin Francis* 6-10/240, So., F, 11.1 ppg., 8.4 rpg.
 Torrian Jones*** 6-4/195, Sr., G, 4.9 ppg., 3.3 rpg.
 Omari Peterkin 6-8/260, So., F/C, DNP in 2002-03
 Chris Thomas** 6-1/182, Jr., G, 18.7 ppg., 4.0 rpg., 6.9 aspg.
 Tom Timmermans *** 6-11/253, Sr., C, 3.2 ppg., 2.7 rpg.
 Chris Quinn* 6-2/178, So., G, 3.9 ppg., 1.6 rpg., 1.5 aspg.

Letterwinners Lost (4)
***denotes number of monograms won**

Matt Carroll**** 6-6/212, G, 19.5 ppg., 5.0 rpg., 1.6 aspg.
 Dan Lustig* 6-5/195, F, 1.1 ppg., 0.0 rpg.
 Jere Macura**** 6-9/225, F, 0.8 ppg., 0.8 rpg.
 Dan Miller* 6-8/220, G/F, 13.9 ppg., 5.7 rpg./, 2.4 aspg.

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 Dennis Latimore# 6-8/238, Jr., F, Halstead, KS/Halstead

#will be eligible to play in 2004-05

2003-04 Notre Dame Men's Basketball Rosters

Alphabetical Roster

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Pos.</u> | <u>Ht.</u> | <u>Wt.</u> | <u>Yr.</u> | <u>Hometown/High School</u> |
|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
| 43 | Russell Carter | G | 6-4 | 190 | Fr. | Paulsboro, NJ/Paulsboro |
| 11 | Rick Cornett* | F | 6-8 | 244 | So. | Country Club Hills, IL/Homewood Christian Academy |
| 12 | Jordan Cornette** | F | 6-9 | 235 | Jr. | Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier |
| 15 | Colin Falls | G | 6-4 | 200 | Fr. | Park Ridge, Ill./Loyola Academy |
| 34 | Torin Francis* | F | 6-10 | 240 | So. | Roslindale, MA/Tabor Academy |
| 5 | Omari Isreal | F | 6-8 | 220 | Fr. | Rockville, MD/Our Lady of Good Counsel |
| 20 | Torrian Jones*** | G | 6-4 | 195 | Sr. | Morrisville, PA/Pennsbury |
| 41 | Dennis Latimore# | F | 6-8 | 238 | Jr. | Halstead, KS/Halstead |
| 4 | Omari Peterkin | F/C | 6-8 | 260 | So. | St. Thomas, Virgin Islands/Antilles School |
| 1 | Chris Thomas** | G | 6-1 | 182 | Jr. | Indianapolis, Ind./Pike |
| 50 | Tom Timmermans*** | C | 6-11 | 253 | Sr. | Driehuis, Netherlands/Blue Ridge School (Va.) |
| 2 | Chris Quinn* | G | 6-1 | 178 | So. | Dublin, OH/Coffman |

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Veteran Notre Dame Squad Look To Remain Among Nation's Elite

Experience a key as Irish focus on a second straight berth in NCAA Sweet 16.

The indications are evident.

When Notre Dame men's basketball coach Mike Brey assumed the head coaching duties in July of 2000, he had one vision — to restore the past glory and tradition of a basketball program looking for an identity. Brey envisioned securing an elite status for the Irish program.

After three consecutive NCAA tournament berths and last year's Sweet 16 appearance, Brey and the Irish appear headed in the right direction. When Notre Dame was bracketed in the West Regional with the likes Arizona, Duke and Kansas, it was a clear testament to Brey's vision.

"Last year's appearance in the Sweet 16 certainly was a strong endorsement for the momentum our program has gained during the past three years," Brey says. "Last season our players talked about getting past the first and second rounds and into that second weekend in March all season long. One of the trademarks of building a program is to develop consistency. I think we've done that the past three seasons."

With success, comes a level of expectation for consistency. No one knows of the pressures of getting to the top of the summit better than Brey, a participant in six Final Fours during his eight seasons on the Duke coaching staff.

The 2003-04 Notre Dame team returns three starters and seven monogram winners from last year's squad that finished with a 24-10 record and recorded the most wins since the 1986-87 campaign. Depth will be the hallmark of this year's team as the Irish will boast a potent attack from both the perimeter and inside.

Hopes for the upcoming season were bolstered when junior point guard Chris Thomas announced his plans to return to school after entering his name in the NBA Draft in early May. Thomas, one of the nation's most complete backcourt players, has been a primary catalyst for Notre Dame in his first two seasons. His ability to score and distribute the ball makes him one of the nation's most talented players. Thomas' return will certainly heighten the level of expectation for the upcoming season.

"With Chris coming back we can look to this year and be very excited about our basketball team," Brey says. "But I think the key to this season will be that we have a lot of guys in our locker room who have experienced winning and have been part of the success we have enjoyed the past three seasons.

"Our players expect a lot of themselves and they expect to do great things," he continues. "It's neat that they have such a high level of expectation. When the goals and hopes are really high, then the dreams can be big."

While the return of Thomas is an assurance that Notre Dame will be bonafide contender nationally, this Irish squad will be more than just a one-player team. Brey is known for his ability to both develop talent and recruit talented players. This year's returnees and newcomers will provide Notre Dame with its deepest team since Brey's arrival three years ago.

Notre Dame's frontline play will be strong with the return of sophomore Torin Francis, who started all 34 games for the Irish as well as senior Tom Timmermans and junior Jordan Cornette, two part-time starters a year ago. Sophomores Rick Cornett and Omari Peterkin are expected to contend for increased playing time and provide the Irish with depth up front.

Brey's backcourt will be bolstered by the experience of senior Torrian Jones, one of the team's most versatile players at both ends of the floor, and sophomore Chris Quinn, who will rotate with Thomas between point guard and shooting guard.

"There's going to be plenty of competition for playing time in the pre-season," Brey says. "I expect that our practices, as they have in the past, will continue to be very competitive. Our depth all-around will be one of strengths this year."

Notre Dame also has assembled a talented freshman class that features sharpshooter Colin Falls, guard Russell Carter and forward Omari Isreal.

"I'm really excited about our incoming freshman class," Brey says. "All three of these players are very athletic and will add versatility to our lineup. When looking at this class as a whole, it certainly is one that is going to help move this program forward."

One of the challenges Brey will issue to his team this season is a better commitment to defense and guarding an opposing player. The Irish

A talented Notre Dame backcourt will once again be led by preseason All-America candidate Chris Thomas.



head coach was somewhat disappointed by his team's field goal percentage defense (Notre Dame allowed its opponents to shoot 41.2 percent from the field). In Brey's first two seasons, that had been strength of his team.

"We relied on out-scoring people too much last season," Brey says. "I don't want to take anything away from our offensive potency, but we weren't good enough defensively, and that is something that disappointed me. With all of the teams I coach, we're always going to be able to score a lot of points, but from the onset of this season, we're going to stress a strong commitment to defense as well."

While Notre Dame is expected to once again assemble a strong offensive arsenal, Brey has to replace two of its top three scorers lost to graduation— Matt Carroll and Dan Miller. Carroll capped off his remarkable career as the school's leading three-point shooter. In his final season in an Irish uniform, he averaged 19.5 points en route to earning first-team all-BIG EAST honors and honorable mention All-America accolades. Miller averaged an impressive 13.9 points per contest and was the team's second-leading rebounder at 5.7 boards per game.

With the losses of Carroll and Miller, the biggest question mark facing Brey will be finding a couple more outside shooting threats. Thomas is known for his three-point accuracy, but also look for Jones, Cornette and Quinn to elevate their game from beyond the arc. Falls is a player in the same mold as Carroll so it may be just a matter of time before he becomes a steady contributor to the Irish's scoring attack from the perimeter.

"Matt and Dan are certainly huge losses for us," Brey says. "I think we can replace them with a number of different guys. Jones and Cornette will provide us with an outside game on the wing, and then throw in Thomas and Quinn and also Falls and Carter. As we have in the past, we want to be able to stretch defenses out."

The versatility of Notre Dame's lineup will allow Brey the luxury of

experimenting with different combinations on the floor. The Irish coach will utilize that option to create havoc for opposing defenses.

Frontcourt

An untested and inexperienced frontline posed question marks for Notre Dame at the start of last season. With three key contributors — senior Tom Timmermans, junior Jordan Cornette and sophomore Torin Francis — back from that team, this will certainly not be an area of concern for Brey this season. It will be the first time during Brey's tenure that the Irish will have the fortune of returning all of its frontcourt players.

Depth will not be an issue. In addition to Timmermans, Cornette and Francis, the Irish will also look to sophomores Rick Cornett and Omari Peterkin for considerable contributions off the bench.

"Having Tom, Jordan and Torin all back will certainly give us a lot of options up front," Brey says. "We have three guys returning who saw a lot of playing time last season. They are seasoned veterans with a great understanding of our program and system and who are ready to help us reach the next level."

At 6-11, 235 pounds, Timmermans is a force for the Irish underneath the basket. The Driehuis, Netherlands center enjoyed his best outing in a Notre Dame uniform last season as he averaged 3.2 points and 4.2 rebounds and earned 11 starts in the 31 contests he played.

Timmermans gives the Irish a physical presence both underneath and around the basket and he gained greater confidence each time he stepped onto the floor. He's a very skilled player with excellent passing abilities and a nice shooting touch.

"I'm excited about Tom," Brey says. "He played with a great deal of confidence last year and I expect him to carry that into this season. Tom's a great defensive player and is not afraid to go up against an opposing team's best player."

"I expect that we're going to see that same defensive intensity from him this year, but I also believe that he is going to be much more comfortable offensively. I'll like to see him develop his outside shooting, but for a guy with his size, he has excellent passing abilities."

Brey anticipates that Cornette's game will continue to flourish. The 6-9, 235-pound forward from Cincinnati, Ohio provided solid minutes for the Irish as a starter and off the bench last season, averaging 3.0 points, 4.2 rebounds and 2.2 blocked shots. Cornette's versatility allows him to play underneath and away from the basket. It is going to be that versatility which will allow Brey to mix up his lineup with different matchups on the floor.

"I just love the flexibility that Jordan brings to our lineup," Brey says. "He's a terrific defensive player and can guard anybody on the floor. Jordan has the ability to play inside, but also can step away from the basket and be as effective from the perimeter."

"He's an extremely tough player for opposing teams to defend. What is most impressive to me about Jordan is that for a big guy, he has such a high basketball IQ. He really thinks a lot when he is on floor. He's a great passer and thinks more like a guard. I love having him on the floor because he's always thinking about game situations."

After just one season, Francis, a member of the '03 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team, showed why he was one of the most sought after players in the country coming out of high school. Unquestionably, he will rank as one of the top big men in the country this season.

In averaging 11.1 points, a team-leading 8.4 rebounds and 1.8 blocked shots, Francis' game is one of both power and finesse. A starter in all 34 games last season, he averaged 28.6 minutes per game. With the experience he gained and the confidence he attained after last season, the 6-10, 240-pound forward from Roslindale, Mass., will look to become more of a first option for the Irish offensively, especially in the low post. In addition, he'll likely be one of the nation's top rebounders.

"Similar to what Chris Thomas did in his freshman year, Torin Francis had a fabulous rookie season," Brey says. "We couldn't have asked more of him last season. One of the goals that I have talked about with Torin is that he works to become one of the best rebounders in the country."

"I also think that he can be one of the most dominant players in the low post both offensively and defensively. Torin is such a determined player with a hunger for becoming the best player on the floor. I look for Torin to elevate his game to another level and to continue to improve all aspects of his game."

After somewhat limited playing time a year ago, Rick Cornette is looking to become a fixture in the Irish lineup. The 6-8, 244 pound forward from Country Club Hill, Ill., has an imposing basketball frame. The sec-



Notre Dame will count on Tom Timmermans physical presence underneath this season.

ond-year player will have a strong physical presence on the floor this season, while his natural rebounding ability will be a tremendous asset for Notre Dame. Cornett played in 12 games as a rookie and averaged 2.5 points and 1.1 rebounds.

"Rick's going to have a bigger role this season and we're counting on him to be a big part of our team," Brey says. "He has a tremendous physical presence on the floor as a defensive player. Rick's, greatest asset is his natural rebounding ability. The coaching staff and I are anxious to see his development and see how far he has progressed since the end of season."

Omari Peterkin did not see action as a rookie that allowed him to develop his skills and become acclimated to Brey's system. The 6-8, 260 pound forward is an extremely skilled basketball player with great hands and a soft shooting touch. The native of U.S. Virgin Islands is expected to continue to develop and see playing time this season.

"Omari is a very skilled basketball player," Brey says. "He has great hands and knows how to finish around the basket. The biggest thing that he has to continue to work on is his conditioning. He and Rick are going to be battling each other for playing time."

Notre Dame's other Omari, Omari Isreal, is somewhat of a question mark heading into his first season. The 6-8, 220 pound forward from Rockville, Md., tore his ACL during his final scholastic campaign and still is recovering from the surgery. He scored more than 1,500 points during his high school career. Isreal has good footwork and versatility to play in and around the basketball, but also the skill to move outside.

"Omari's situation is going to be day-to-day," Brey says. "He's an extremely talented player who gives us great flexibility at the forward

spot. Because of our depth at forward and in the frontcourt, there isn't going to be a need to hurry his recovery or his rehabilitation. We're not going to have him rush back, and instead, be patient with his recovery."

Backcourt

Strong backcourt play has always been vital to the success of Brey's teams. Notre Dame's backcourt once again will rank as one of the nation's finest with returnees Chris Thomas, Torrian Jones and Chris Quinn. This talented trio will be the catalyst to the fortunes of this year's Irish squad.

Notre Dame got a big boost when Thomas announced his plans to return for his junior season after entering his name in the spring for the '03 NBA Draft. A two-year starter for the Irish at point guard, he may be the best combined scorer and ball distributor in all of college basketball during the upcoming campaign. Thomas heads into the season as a bonafide All-America candidate.

The 6-1, 182 pound native of Indianapolis, Ind., was Notre Dame's second-leading scorer a year ago with an 18.7 scoring average. An honorable mention All-America selection and second-team all-BIG EAST honoree, he led the Irish in assists (6.9 per game) for the second consecutive season.

Thomas' extraordinary talent and fearlessness make him a tough matchup for opposing defenses. His ability to score from anywhere on the floor and his adept passing skills have made him one of the nation's most feared players. The one area of Thomas' game that Brey would like to see him improve is game management.

"I'm excited to have the opportunity to coach Chris Thomas again," Brey says. "and he is just as excited about being back at Notre Dame. He's one of the country's most exciting players at any position. I believe his draft experience in May and June has made him a much more focused player. I think that he is going approach this season in a much more business-like manner.

"Chris' confidence on the court trickles down to all of our others players. They feed off of that and he makes us such a better basketball team. His fearlessness on the court and his ability to make plays is a winning combination. I've talked to Chris about how to become better at managing the game, and I look for him to improve in that area. I do, however, want him to continue to be fearless on the court."

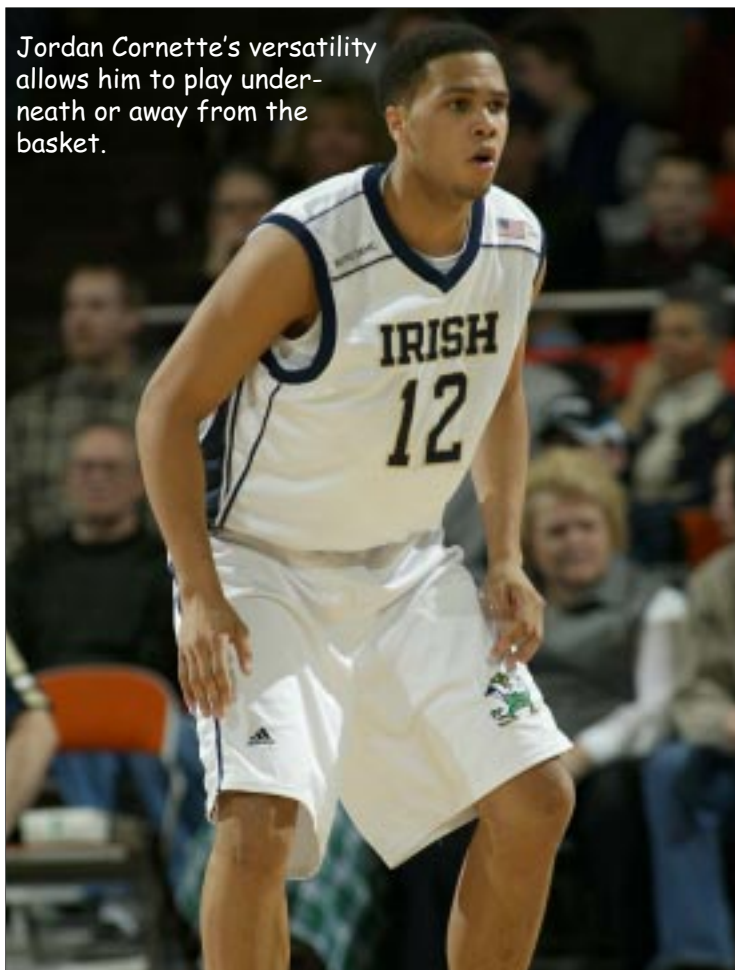
Senior Torrian Jones has displayed great unselfishness in his first three seasons, and has been someone Brey has been able to count on to fill any role on the floor. Best known for his defensive prowess, the 6-4, 195-pound native of Fairless Hills, Pa., will look to become an all-around threat at both ends of the floor this season. He will enjoy a more expanded role in the Irish lineup.

Jones averaged 4.9 points and 3.3 rebounds last year and played in 33 contests. His impact on the game, however, cannot be measured in statistics alone. His vocal leadership on the floor will be one of his greatest contributions this season.

Jones is a slasher that likes to drive to the basket, but he also has shown the ability to shoot from the outside. Look for him to become more offensive-minded this season and become more of a scoring threat.

"Torrian's role will be greatly expanded this season," Brey says. "He'll be our strongest voice in the locker room and his leadership is going to be very important to the success of our basketball program. We know that he is one of our best defensive players, but I think you're going to see a young man who displays more of an offensive game.

Jordan Cornette's versatility allows him to play underneath or away from the basket.



"I like the fact that he is a slasher and can drive to the basket. Torrian is going to be on the floor a great deal of time this season."

While not as flashy as Thomas, Notre Dame's other point guard, Chris Quinn, has talents equal to those of his backcourt counterpart. Although Thomas will handle a major of the point guard duties, Brey has no qualms about handing the ball over to the 6-2, 178-pound dynamo from Dublin, Ohio.

Quinn is an excellent ballhandler who rarely turns the ball over. He played in all 34 games last season and netted 3.9 points and dished off 1.5 assists. In addition, he turned the ball over just 15 times in averaging 15.3 minutes on the floor. Like Thomas, he will enjoy being one of Notre Dame's top three-point threats.

Brey will utilize Quinn primarily at that spot on the floor, but the flexibility of playing both he and Thomas at either of those two positions (point and two-guard) will create havoc for opposing defenses.

"Chris (Quinn) is looking forward to playing with Chris Thomas in the backcourt this season," Brey says. "It's going to be a combination that is going to work very well for us. He's one of most consistent players in terms of his demeanor on the court. Chris (Quinn) never gets

rattled on the floor, and that's what makes him so valuable.

"We're going to ask him to play extended minutes this season, to handle the ball a lot more and to play defense. He needs to hunt his shot a little bit more this season. Like Chris Thomas, he's a gutsy player who is going to keep us fearless."

Freshman Colin Falls, a 6-4, 200-pound shooting guard from Parkridge, Ill., is cut from the same mold as Matt Carroll. By the time his career at Notre Dame is complete, he certainly will rank as one of the finest outside shooters in school history. With the graduation of Carroll and Miller, he becomes a very important part of the Irish's perimeter attack.

Falls averaged 25.0 points, 7.0 rebounds and 4.0 assists during his final season at Loyola Academy and finished as the career scoring leader with 2,045 points. He has excellent range from beyond the arc and is a very good all-around player. Falls also is a strong defensive player.

"Colin has a tremendous shooting touch and range," Brey says, "but he showed last summer and during his senior year that he has become a complete player and not just a shooter. He's a good ballhandler and is a very versatile athlete at both ends of the floor, although the strength of his game is as an offensive threat and scorer."

Russell Carter, a 6-4, 190-pound native of Paulsboro, N.J., adds tremendous depth to the Irish backcourt. An extremely athletic player, he averaged 30.0 points, 11.2 rebounds and 3.4 assists en route to becoming just the fifth player in South Jersey prep history to lead the region in scoring in consecutive seasons. Much like Jones, he is a good defender with strong offensive skills.

"Russell is a great addition to our program because of his athletic ability," Brey says. "He is an impressive player both offensively and defensively. He know how to defend, but can also shoot the ball. Russell also is a very fearless player. He's a great investment for the future and is going to be someone who is going to continue to develop and improve. We're anxious to watch his progress."



HEAD COACH MIKE BREY

Fourth Season at Notre Dame - 66-31 (.665)

Ninth as a Head Coach - 165-83 (.680)

George Washington '82

When Mike Brey was hired as the men's basketball coach at Notre Dame in July of 2000, he had one vision — to put the Irish men's basketball program back on the college basketball map.

In three seasons along the sidelines, Brey has the program headed back in the direction of its past bas-

ketball glory with a BIG EAST Conference championship banner hanging in the Joyce Center and three NCAA tournament appearances, last year's trip to the Sweet 16 to his credit. More importantly, he has restored a sense of stability to the program.

A 16-year veteran of the college ranks as both the head coach at Delaware (1995-2000) and assistant at Duke (1987-95), Brey has compiled an impressive 66-31 mark for a .680 winning percentage in his first three seasons with the Irish. He is the only coach in the program's 98-year history to lead his teams to three consecutive 20-win seasons and NCAA tournament appearances in each of his first three seasons. Prior to Brey's arrival, the previous NCAA appearance was in '90 and the last time Irish teams earned back-to-back berths was during the '89 and '90 campaigns.

Brey owns a glossy 165-83 mark (.665) in eight years as a head coach with five of his teams advancing to NCAA competition and six postseason appearances overall (one NIT). He was honored last year by the NABC as the its District 10 Coach of the Year.

The 2002-03 campaign was certainly one of the most memorable in

recent years as it marked just the sixth time -- and first since 1986-87 -- a Notre Dame team has won 24 or more games. In recording a 24-10 record last season, the Irish defeated five top-10 opponents for the first time. Those victories over top 10 teams also were the most by any school last season. The wins over those teams included a string of three straight (No. 10 Marquette, No. 8 Maryland and No. 2 Texas) in a six-day stretch in early December. It marked the first time in school history that Notre Dame defeated three consecutive ranked opponents. After those three victories, the Irish made their season debut in the Associated Press ranking at No. 10 after being unranked prior to that point. It was the third-highest leap in the polls since the ranking began including 25 teams.

In defeating the defending national champion Terrapins and the Longhorns, Notre Dame captured the prestigious BB&T Classic in Washington, D.C.

The success for the Irish in the NCAA tournament in '03 was notable as the Irish earned the No. 5 seed in the West Region, marking the highest seed for a Notre Dame team since 1987. Notre Dame won a pair of games to reach the round of 16 for the first time since that campaign. After edging Wisconsin-Milwaukee 70-69 in the opening game, Notre Dame upset the No. 4 seed, 13th-ranked Illinois, in the second round by a score of 68-60. The Illini were the highest-seeded team to lose to the Irish since fourth-seeded TCU lost to Notre Dame in the second round of the '87 tournament.

Under Brey, Notre Dame is the only BIG EAST school to win 10-plus games each of the last three seasons. In addition, the Irish are the only

THE MIKE BREY FILE...

165-83 (.665)/eight seasons

AS HEAD COACH at NOTRE DAME (three years)

| Season | Record | League Record (Finish) | Postseason |
|---------------|---------------------|---|--|
| 2000-01 | 20-10 | 11-5 (first place - West Division) | NCAA Midwest Regional second round BIG EAST quarterfinals (first-round bye) |
| 2001-02 | 22-11 | 10-6 (second place - West Division) | NCAA South Regional second round BIG EAST semifinals (first-round bye) |
| 2002-03 | 24-10 | 10-6 (tied for third place - West Division) | NCAA West Regional round of 16 BIG EAST first round |
| Totals | 66-31 (.688) | 31-17 (.646) | |

AS HEAD COACH at DELAWARE (five years)

| Season | Record | League Record (Finish) | Postseason |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------------|--|
| 1995-96 | 15-12 | 11-7 (fourth place) | America East quarterfinals |
| 1996-97 | 15-16 | 8-10 (fifth place) | America East quarterfinals |
| 1997-98 | 20-10 | 12-6 (first place) | America East champion NCAA Midwest Regional |
| 1998-99 | 25-6 | 15-3 (first place) | America East champion NCAA East Regional |
| 1999-2000 | 24-8 | 14-4 (third place) | America East Runner Up |
| Totals | 99-52 (.656) | 60-30 (.667) | |

AS ASSISTANT COACH at DUKE (eight years)

| Season | Record | League Record (Finish) | Postseason |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| 1987-88 | 28-7 | 9-5 (third place) | ACC Tournament champion NCAA national semifinals |
| 1988-89 | 28-8 | 9-5 (second place) | ACC Tournament runner-up NCAA national semifinals |
| 1989-90 | 29-9 | 9-5 (second place) | NCAA runner-up ACC Tournament runner-up |
| 1990-91 | 32-7 | 11-3 (first place) | NCAA champion ACC Tournament champion |
| 1991-92 | 34-2 | 14-2 (first place) | NCAA champion |
| 1992-93 | 24-8 | 10-6 (third place) | NCAA second round |
| 1993-94 | 28-6 | 12-4 (first place) | NCAA runner-up |
| 1994-95 | 13-18 | 2-14 (ninth place) | |
| Totals | 216-65 (.769) | 76-44 (.633) | |

league team who has played in the NCAA tournament in '01, '02 and '03. With a 10-6 conference record last season, the Irish are now 31-17 (646) in BIG EAST regular-season contests during Brey's tenure. In each of his three seasons, at least one player has earned first-team all-conference honors. Matt Carroll is Notre Dame's most recent first-team honoree, while teammate Chris Thomas copped second-team accolades. In addition, Torin Francis was named to the league's all-rookie team. Carroll and Thomas also earned honorable mention All-America honors from the Associated Press.

Brey signed a two-year contract extension to continue as coach of the Fighting Irish through the 2008-09 campaign.

"We couldn't be more excited with the direction of the program, from the on-court successes the last two seasons, to being a factor in the NCAA tournament, to what Mike and his staff have accomplished from a recruiting standpoint," Notre Dame director of athletics Kevin White says. "We are extremely confident in Mike's leadership. He will continue to make the Irish a significant player within the BIG EAST Conference and nationally."

Less than nine months after being named head coach, Brey guided Notre Dame to a 20-10 record and the program's first BIG EAST regular-season title in capturing the West Division crown with an 11-5 record in league play.

The 11 conference wins were the most by an Irish team since becoming a league member in 1995-96 as his squad clinched the league crown with a week remaining in the regular season. Brey's squad finished 19th in the final Associated Press ranking (and were ranked as high as 10th at one time during the season) for the program's first ranking on a national basis since '89.

During the 2001-02 campaign, the Irish finished with a 22-11 record and 10-6 mark in the West Division, good for second place in the final regular-season standings. Notre Dame earned a first-round bye in the conference post-season tournament and advanced to the semifinals of the championship for the first time, after posting its first-ever BIG EAST tournament victory in the quarterfinal round.

That two-year period from (2000-02), the Irish's 21 BIG EAST wins were matched only by Connecticut and Boston College.

Brey's 31 BIG EAST regular season wins are the third most (tying him with Rollie Massimino of Villanova) by a coach in his first three seasons in the league. Only five other BIG EAST coaches have posted a better winning percentage in their first three seasons.

Notre Dame was one of only four schools (the others are Duke, Indiana and Stanford) to have a player selected in the first round of the the '01 and '02 NBA drafts. In the 2002 draft, Ryan Humphrey, a second-team All-America selection by *Basketball News*, was chosen as the 19th pick overall, which followed first-team consensus All-American Troy Murphy's 14th overall selection in '01.

Three players from the 2001-02 team garnered all-conference honors, with Humphrey earning first-team all-BIG EAST accolades and freshman sensation Chris Thomas copping third-team honors as well as taking home the league's rookie-of-the-year honor. David Graves, who finished his career as the school's career three-point field goal and steals leader, earned honorable mention recognition.

Thomas capped off his remarkable freshman campaign by earning national freshman-of-the-year accolades from *Basketball Times* and *Basketball News*.

Murphy was the '01 BIG EAST Co-Player of the Year in Brey's first season.

Brey's initial season with the Irish could qualify as anything short of a whirlwind for the 14-year veteran of the college game. Prior to coming to Notre Dame, he spent eight seasons as an assistant at Duke University and five as the head coach at the University of Delaware. Named the 17th head coach, in the program's history on July 14, 2000, Brey assembled his coaching staff, moved his family to the South Bend, Ind., area and got to work.

In his debut on the Irish sidelines on Nov. 18, the 42-year-old Rockville, Md., led the Irish to a 104-58 victory to earn his 100th career coaching victory. Brey guided his team to 19 wins during the regular season, the most by an Irish first-year coach, and also became just the second coach in school history to take his team to the NCAA tournament in his first season.

During the run to the divisional crown, Notre Dame notched eight consecutive league wins and five straight road victories for the first time as a BIG EAST member. The Irish also produced three wins over top-10 teams (Georgetown, Boston and Syracuse) for the first time since the 1991-92 campaign.

In eight seasons as a head coach, Brey's teams have won three conference titles.

And while the accomplishments of the past three seasons and in his coaching career are impressive, one can't help but be captivated by his contagious enthusiasm and genuine sincerity. He's a man whose basketball bloodlines are as impressive as any young coach in the collegiate ranks today.

A players' coach, Brey has a true passion for the game. He is an individual who appreciates the bonds and relationships he forms with his players, and a coach who understands the impact he can have on a player's life. He is, in no uncertain terms, a man who cares about the young men he coaches.

Reared in a home with two parents as educators, coaching appears to have been a natural profession for Brey to pursue. Associations with legendary coaches Morgan Wootten and Mike Krzyzewski have molded his philosophy and strengthened his foundation as a man and coach who is destined to lead Notre Dame's return to national prominence.

A former player and assistant coach for Wootten at De Matha High School and a veteran of eight seasons as an assistant on the bench next to Krzyzewski at Duke, where he helped the Blue Devils to six NCAA Final Four appearances and two national championships, success been an integral part of Brey's life as both a player and coach.

MIKE BREY vs. ALL OPPONENTS

| Opponent | W | L |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|
| Alabama | 1 | 1 |
| Albany | 1 | 0 |
| American | 3 | 0 |
| Arizona | 0 | 2 |
| Army | 1 | 0 |
| Belmont | 1 | 0 |
| Boston College | 2 | 0 |
| Boston University | 7 | 5 |
| Bucknell | 2 | 1 |
| Canisius | 4 | 0 |
| Charleston Southern | 1 | 0 |
| Charlotte | 1 | 0 |
| Cincinnati | 1 | 0 |
| The Citadel | 1 | 0 |
| Clemson | 0 | 1 |
| College of Charleston | 0 | 1 |
| Connecticut | 0 | 3 |
| Colgate | 3 | 0 |
| Cornell | 1 | 0 |
| Creighton | 0 | 1 |
| Delaware State | 4 | 0 |
| DePaul | 2 | 0 |
| Drexel | 6 | 5 |
| Duke | 0 | 2 |
| Duquesne | 1 | 0 |
| Florida | 1 | 0 |
| Furman | 1 | 0 |
| George Mason | 1 | 0 |
| Georgetown | 4 | 2 |
| George Washington | 0 | 1 |
| Hartford | 6 | 4 |
| Hawaii-Pacific | 1 | 0 |
| Hofstra | 9 | 4 |
| Howard | 2 | 0 |
| Illinois | 1 | 0 |
| Indiana | 0 | 3 |
| IUPUI | 1 | 0 |
| Kentucky | 0 | 3 |
| Lafayette | 1 | 0 |
| Long Island | 1 | 0 |
| Loyola (Chicago) | 1 | 0 |
| Maine | 6 | 6 |
| Marshall | 0 | 1 |
| Marquette | 1 | 0 |
| Maryland | 1 | 0 |
| Miami (Fla.) | 1 | 0 |
| Miami (Ohio) | 1 | 1 |
| Mississippi | 0 | 1 |
| Monmouth | 1 | 0 |
| New Hampshire | 10 | 1 |
| Northeastern | 8 | 2 |
| Pittsburgh | 5 | 2 |
| Providence | 2 | 0 |
| Purdue | 0 | 1 |
| Rider | 2 | 2 |
| Rutgers | 4 | 2 |
| Sacred Heart | 1 | 0 |
| St. John's | 2 | 2 |
| St. Joseph's (Pa.) | 0 | 2 |
| Seton Hall | 3 | 3 |
| Siena | 1 | 0 |
| Syracuse | 1 | 5 |
| Tennessee | 0 | 1 |
| Tennessee Chattanooga | 2 | 0 |
| Tennessee Tech | 1 | 0 |
| Texas | 1 | 0 |
| Towson | 12 | 2 |
| Valparaiso | 1 | 0 |
| Vanderbilt | 2 | 0 |
| Vermont | 7 | 4 |
| Villanova | 0 | 3 |
| Virginia | 0 | 3 |
| Virginia Tech | 2 | 0 |
| Washington (Md.) | 3 | 0 |
| West Virginia | 6 | 0 |
| Widener | 3 | 0 |
| Wisconsin-Milwaukee | 1 | 0 |
| Xavier | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 165 | 82 |

Having missed out on the Irish head coaching vacancy in March of 1999, Brey earned another shot at the only coaching job he coveted while the head coach at Delaware. When Matt Doherty left for the University of North Carolina in July after just one season, Brey was the man director of athletics Kevin White targeted for the Notre Dame post.

On the afternoon he was introduced as the Irish head coach, Brey made certain that current players, administrators and fans knew this was the place where he wanted to be.

"I've been in love with two coaching jobs in my five years as a head coach," he said as he stood on the podium situated on the floor of the Joyce Center, "and that's Notre Dame twice."

Brey - who led Delaware to unprecedented success during his five-year tenure as the Blue Hens' head coach from 1995-2000 including postseason bids in each of his last three seasons - has brought to Notre Dame a wealth of basketball experience and all the characteristics necessary for success.

On the day of Brey's hiring, White made perfectly clear why he (Brey) emerged as his one and only choice.

"Mike Brey brings to Notre Dame all the characteristics and elements you'd like to see in a college basketball coach," White said.

"His experiences along the way — at De Matha, at Duke and at Delaware — provide him with a tremendous background for what he will encounter at Notre Dame. Of course I talked to dozens of coaches and administrators as well as select others throughout this process, and there wasn't a single person who didn't have the highest regard for Mike both professionally and personally. With that said, I truly believe that our men's basketball program is going to have some great opportunities in the future and I am confident that Mike is the ideal person to lead the Irish program wherein we can expect to realize our full potential."

In the span of five seasons at Delaware, he guided the Blue Hens to success never before experienced in the program's history. His five years at Delaware combined to produce a 99-52 record for Brey, including a 60-30 mark in America East competition.

Prior to his arrival at the Newark, Del., school, Delaware had made only two previous trips to the NCAA tournament — but doubled that total in his third and fourth seasons. In 1997-98, Brey copped co-America East coach-of-the-year honors after his team finished with a 20-10 overall record and won the America East Conference title with a 12-6 mark. The Blue Hens earned the No. 15 seed in the NCAA Midwest Regional and lost to Purdue in the first round.

That campaign signaled what would be the first of three consecutive 20-win seasons for Brey at Delaware, a first in the program's history. In Brey's first two seasons, the Blue Hens were 30-28, finishing with a 15-12 mark in 1995-96 and 15-16 in 1996-97.

In his fourth season at Delaware, he guided the Blue Hens to a 25-6 record, the second-most wins in school history. For the second straight year, Brey's squad won the America East regular-season crown (finishing with a 15-3 record) and tournament title. As the No. 13 seed in the NCAA East Regional, the Blue Hens pushed 20th-ranked Tennessee to the final buzzer, but fell 62-52.

In 1999-2000, Delaware finished 24-8 (14-4 in conference play) and received a bid to the National Invitation Tournament, losing to Villanova in the first round.

His teams' on-court success during those five seasons helped set Delaware attendance records as well. The Blue Hens in 1998-99 averaged a record 4,815 fans (in 5,000-seat Bob Carpenter Center), including nine sellouts. Then in 1999-2000, they topped that figure with a 4,989 average and a dozen sellouts.

In Brey's five seasons with the Blue Hens, Delaware ranked as the only America East team to finish in the top half of the league standings in each of those seasons. His .659 winning percentage over the last seven years ranks as the second-best in the country (behind only Michigan State's Tom Izzo) among those Division I head coaches who took over programs in 1995-96.

Success for Brey's teams was not limited to the court. While at Delaware, every senior who completed his eligibility graduated. Mike Pegues, an all-America East forward, was a third-team GTE Academic All-American and America East Scholar-Athlete of the Year for 1997-98.

Prior to taking over at Delaware, Brey served under Krzyzewski at Duke for eight seasons beginning in 1987-88. During that time, he saw the Blue Devils advance to six NCAA Final Fours, four national title games and claim the NCAA championship in both 1991 and 1992. The Blue Devils finished with a combined 216-65 record (.769) during his eight seasons and won 24 or more games in seven of those campaigns.

During his tenure at Duke, he recruited and worked daily with four of the greatest players in that program's history — Danny Ferry, Christian Laettner, Bobby Hurley and Grant Hill.

His recruiting impact already has been felt on the Notre Dame program with the enrollment of McDonald's and Parade All-Americans Chris Thomas in the fall of 2001 and Torin Francis in 2002.

Off the court, Brey proved to be a driving force in bringing the Philadelphia 76ers training camp as well as the first-ever on-site America East Conference Men's Basketball Tournament to the Bob Carpenter Center, with Delaware as the host.

He and his wife, Tish, are very active in the South Bend community, much as they were when living in Newark. The two were active in the Coaches vs. Cancer program, helping make Delaware one of the top fundraising schools in the country through that program. In the summer of 2002 in South Bend, the Breys initiated the first annual Notre Dame Basketball Coaches vs. Cancer Golf Classic designed to raise money and awareness for the American Cancer Society. In addition, the couple hosted "Night of the Stars" at their home in Granger, Ind., an event which paid tribute to cancer survivors as well as those individuals who have made significant contributions within the community towards the fight against the disease.

In April of '03, Brey was the recipient of the CVC Champions Award for his fundraising efforts for the Coaches vs. Cancer program. He and Tish have been instrumental in raising more than \$230,000 at both Notre Dame and Delaware. Brey also was named to the CVC National Council in February of '03.

Brey previously spent five seasons as an assistant coach at his high school alma mater, De Matha High School in Hyattsville, Md., under Wooten before taking the assistant's post at Duke. He served as De Matha head junior varsity coach and varsity assistant beginning in 1982. During the five years, De Matha combined to finish 139-22 while claiming four league crowns and two city titles — as well as a number-one ranking by USA Today in 1984.

As a player, he played for two seasons at De Matha and helped the Stags finish with a combined 55-9 record.

A standout guard in college, he played three seasons at Northwestern Louisiana State (now Northwestern State) from 1977-80, leading the team in assists and steals all three years. He still ranks fifth at the school in all-time in assists with 311, while his 180 assists during his sophomore season in 1978-79 rank as the fourth best single-season total in school history.

Brey played his final collegiate season at George Washington, transferring to the Washington, D.C., school following the 1979-80 season. After sitting out the 1980-81 season, he averaged 5.0 points and 4.8 rebounds in his senior season with the Colonials. He served as team captain and earned team MVP honors in his only year of competition at the school.

Brey hails from an athletic family that still remains actively involved in high school and collegiate athletics. His father Paul was a high school athletic director in Maryland, while his mother, the former Betty Mullen, was the women's swim coach at George Washington, and perhaps the family's most accomplished athlete. She attended Purdue University and swam for the AAU team in West Lafayette while attending school. For a time, she held the world record in the 50-meter butterfly and competed with the U.S. team at the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne, Australia. She still competes in masters swimming events and is a member of the Indiana Swimming Hall of Fame, located in Indianapolis.

His mother also was a Purdue majorette and was present in Notre Dame Stadium on Oct. 2, 1954, when the 19th-ranked Boiler-makers upset the top-ranked Irish 27-14 in football. In addition, her brother Jack Mullen played guard at Duke on that school's first Atlantic Coast Conference championship team in 1960.

Brey's younger sister, Brenda, swam competitively at LSU and is a physical education teacher in the Rockville area. His younger brother, Shane, a former high school standout at Walter Johnson High School in Bethesda, Md., currently serves as an assistant athletic director at Delaware.

Born March 22, 1959, Brey is a 1982 graduate of George Washington, with a degree in physical education. He is married to the former Tish Schlapo, formerly a volleyball standout at George Washington and assistant volleyball coach at Delaware. The couple has two children — Kyle, 16 (born Jan. 11, 1987) and Callie, 12 (born April 5, 1990).



Torrian Jones

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Senior • Guard

Morrisville, PA/Pennsbury

AS A SENIOR: Will assume leadership role during the 2003-04 campaign...will be the team's strongest voice both in the locker room and on the floor... unselfish

player who will look to conclude his career with his best season ever...will enjoy an expanded role both offensively and defensively in the lineup this season and will be on the floor a large part of the time...one of the team's best defensive players with the ability to guard anyone on the floor...looks to display more of an offensive game this season...at his best when he is slashing and driving to the basket...well-respected by his teammates and a likeable player.

AS A JUNIOR: Played in 33 contests during the 2002-03 campaign...earned first start of the season and 10th of his career in win over Georgetown at the MCI Center on March 8 and also started first round BIG EAST tournament game versus St. John's...averaged a career- best 18.9 minutes per game, playing in all but one of Notre Dame's 34 contests...netted 4.9 points and 3.3 rebounds...did not see action in NCAA second round vs. Illinois after playing 17 minutes vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee...played 11 minutes in West regional semi-final contest versus Arizona...in first start of the season versus Georgetown in second meeting between the two teams, he averaged 27 minutes and finished with three points and seven rebounds against the Hoyas...played a career-high 31 minutes off the bench in victory over Virginia Tech and finished with 12 points as he connected on 6-8 shots from the field... grabbed a season-high nine rebounds, tied a personal best with five assists and blocked three shots (also tying a career-high) against Tech...scored in double figures in four games...hit the game-winning free throw with four seconds remaining in Notre Dame's double-overtime victory over Georgetown...finished the game with five points and five rebounds in 28 minutes off the bench...played 29 minutes against Vanderbilt (then a career-high) and finished the game with 12 points on 5-7 shooting from the field and a season-high seven rebounds...scored in double figures for the third time this season when he netted 10 points and finished with six rebounds in 20 minutes off the bench against Kentucky...has played 20-plus minutes in 14 games this season...connected on all three of his shots from the field in scoring seven points in second meeting versus Pittsburgh...scored nine points, grabbed six rebounds and dished off six assists in loss at Rutgers...netted seven points and grabbed four rebounds against West Virginia in 20 minutes of action in win at home...scored seven points in loss at home to Syracuse...netted six points and grabbed five rebounds in second meeting versus Mountaineers...finished with eight points against Texas in final of BB&T Classic and scored four points and grabbed a then season-best six rebounds versus Maryland...played 21 minutes in the win over Furman and finished with nine points on 3-4 shooting and made a career-high four steals...scored a season-high 13 points on 6-8 shooting against Bucknell...in the season opener against Belmont, finished with six points and two assists in 16 minutes and followed that with six points, five rebounds and two steals against IUPUI...had four points and two steals in 16 minutes off the bench against DePaul...dished

off a season-high three assists versus Albany and Maryland...grabbed four rebounds in win over Canisius...blocked a season-high three shots against Pittsburgh...had four points and four rebounds against Seton Hall...also grabbed four rebounds in second matchup versus the Pirates...played 23 minutes against Rutgers and finished with four points and three rebounds...played 20 minutes and had seven points and three rebounds against Boston College.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Played in all 33 contests while averaging 15.5 minutes...averaged 3.5 points and 2.0 rebounds...enjoyed best outing of his career when he started in place of Matt Carroll (out with a foot injury) against Miami in win over the Hurricanes...tallied a personal-best 17 points, his only double-figure scoring effort of the season, while playing a career-high 29 minutes...earned nine starts during the season, including seven straight beginning with his first career start versus Seton Hall at home...made starts against Rutgers (twice), Pittsburgh, Seton Hall (twice), Georgetown, Syracuse, Miami and St. John's...equalled his then career-high of seven points in Notre Dame's win over the Hoyas on the road...earned first career start against the Pirates at the Joyce Center and finished with four points and three rebounds...scored six points in BIG EAST Tournament victory over St. John's and dished off four assists while playing 17 minutes...was a spark for the Irish off the bench against Villanova as he played 14 minutes and finished with six points and three steals...had game-winning block off three-point attempt to preserve that road win...collected six rebounds, three assists and two steals vs. Army...scored seven points against Monmouth, while doubling his previous career high in rebounds by pulling down a team-high 10 boards against the Hawks...dished out season-high four assists vs. Monmouth...matched then-career high with six points and set new career best with five rebounds in opener vs. New Hampshire... matched career high of three steals while playing career-high 23 minutes vs. UNH...provided crucial layup against West Virginia which tied the game at 64-64 with 42 seconds remaining in the contest... played 15 minutes in the Kentucky game and had three points and two rebounds...came off the bench and played 18 minutes against Georgetown and finished with four points...grabbed three rebounds in win over Charlotte in first round of NCAA tournament.

AS A FRESHMAN: Played in 24 games off the bench for Irish in his rookie season, totaling 35 points and 17 rebounds...saw action in the first 17 games of the season...scored five points in win over Virginia Tech...played 14 minutes coming off the bench at Rutgers and scored four points...dished off a season-best five assists against Long Island while playing a season-high 19 minutes...against Loyola, had season highs with six points, three rebounds and three steals...had three points and matched season-high with three rebounds in season opener against Sacred Heart...played in both NCAA tournament games, scoring four points against Mississippi.

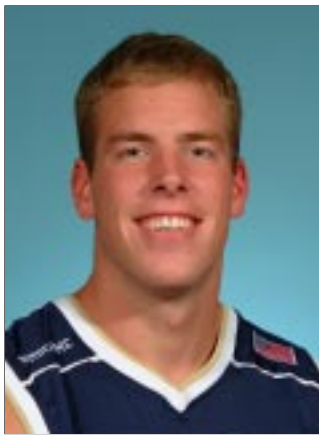
HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: A three-year letterwinner at Pennsbury High School for head coach Frank Sciolla...averaged 22.0 points,

Jones' Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA | PCT. | 3-Point | | | Rebounds | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|----------------|--|
| | | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | FT-FTA | PCT. | O | D | TOT | AVG. | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG | |
| 2000-01 | 26-0 | 179/6.9 | 13-32 | .406 | 2-8 | .250 | 7-16 | .438 | 3 | 14 | 17 | 0.7 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 20-0 | 35/1.3 | |
| BIG EAST | 12-0 | 54/4.5 | 4-9 | .444 | 1-3 | .333 | 4-8 | .500 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 8-0 | 13/1.1 | |
| 2001-02 | 33-9 | 511/15.5 | 43-93 | .462 | 5-29 | .172 | 23-40 | .575 | 14 | 53 | 67 | 2.0 | 44 | 21 | 10 | 51-0 | 114/3.5 | |
| BIG EAST | 16-9 | 260/16.3 | 21-42 | .500 | 1-12 | .083 | 18-31 | .581 | 5 | 20 | 25 | 1.6 | 17 | 11 | 5 | 32-0 | 61/3.8 | |
| 2002-03 | 33-2 | 615/18.6 | 59-114 | .518 | 5-18 | .278 | 39-58 | .672 | 34 | 74 | 108 | 3.3 | 42 | 31 | 17 | 51-0 | 162/4.9 | |
| BIG EAST | 16-1 | 317/19.8 | 29-54 | .537 | 3-10 | .300 | 17-24 | .708 | 25 | 37 | 62 | 3.9 | 19 | 8 | 10 | 26-0 | 78/4.9 | |
| TOTALS | 92-11 | 1305/14.2 | 115-239 | .481 | 12-55 | .218 | 69-114 | .605 | 51 | 141 | 192 | 2.1 | 101 | 61 | 32 | 122-0 | 311/3.4 | |
| BIG EAST | 44-10 | 631/14.3 | 54-105 | .514 | 5-25 | .200 | 39-63 | .619 | 30 | 58 | 89 | 2.0 | 37 | 22 | 16 | 66-0 | 152/3.5 | |

seven rebounds, six assists, three steals and two blocks per game in 1999-2000...led Pennsbury to conference championships his junior and senior seasons while also earning all-conference honors...as a junior, averaged 17.0 points in leading team to a school-record 26 games enroute to a 26-5 mark...team also finished with a 26-5 record in final scholastic season...Pennsbury combined for a 66-24 mark during his three seasons as a starter...also named team MVP and was an all-state selection his last two years at Pennsbury...named 1999-2000 Player of the Year by the *Bucks County Courier Times*...honored as the Player of the Year for Bucks and Montgomery Counties by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*...finished as the fourth-leading scorer in Pennsbury history with 1,188 career points...missed nine games of his senior season after suffering a broken wrist in a preseason scrimmage...scored 29 points and grabbed nine rebounds in a 71-68 second-round Class AAAA playoff game versus Williamsport...won back-to-back Suburban One League titles his junior and senior seasons, going undefeated in league play both seasons...scored the winning basket at the buzzer to propel Pennsbury to the district semifinals in 1999-2000...participated in the Pittsburgh Hoops Classic...uncles Mike and Gary Jones attended Pennsbury and both played Division I basketball, Mike at Rutgers and Gary at LaSalle...oldest of three children...son of Daryl and Bridgette Jones...full name is Torrian D'Andre Jones...born 4-16-82 in New Bern, N.C.

| | Career Highs | 2002-03 Season Highs |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Points: | 17 vs. Miami(2-23-02) | 13 vs. Bucknell (11-22) |
| Field Goals: | 6 vs. Miami (2-23-02) | 6 vs. Bucknell (11-22) |
| | vs. Virginia Tech (2-22-03) | vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 9 vs. Miami (2-23-02) | 8 vs. Bucknell (11-22) |
| Field-Goal Pct: | 1.000 on five occasions | 1.000 on two occasions |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | 2 vs. Loyola (11-22-00) | 1 on five occasions |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | 3 vs. Cornell (11-19-01) | 2 vs. Belmont (11-17) |
| | vs. Hawaii Pacific (11-23-01) | vs. Georgetown (3-8) |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | 1.000 on three occasions | 1.000 (1-1) vs. Furman (11-25) |
| | | vs. Boston College (1-25) |
| Free Throws: | 7 vs. Rutgers (3-1-03) | 7 vs. Rutgers (3-1) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 8 vs. Miami (2-23-02) | 8 vs. Rutgers (3-1) |
| | vs. Rutgers (3-1-03) | |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1.000 on 11 occasions | 1.000 on seven occasions |
| Rebounds: | 10 vs. Monmouth (11-25-01) | 9 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Assists: | 5 vs. Long Island (12-29-00) | 5 vs. Virginia Tech (2-23) |
| | vs. Virginia Tech (2-22-03) | |
| Blocked Shots: | 4 vs. Loyola Marymount (1-2-00) | 3 vs. Pittsburgh (1-6) |
| | | vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Steals: | 4 vs. Furman (11-25-02) | 4 vs. Furman (11-25) |
| Minutes: | 31 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22-03) | 31 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |



Tom Timmermans

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Senior • Center

Driehuis, Netherlands/Blue Ridge School (Va.)

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AS A SENIOR: Looks to conclude his career with a strong senior season...gives the Irish a physical presence underneath and around the basket...tallest member

on the Notre Dame roster...strong defensive player in the past...gained experience as a starter last season...skilled offensive player who will look to become more of a scoring threat this season...displays a nice shooting touch and finishes well...a great passer for a player with his size.

AS A JUNIOR: Earned 11 starts in 31 appearances during the 2002-03 campaign and averaged 3.2 points and 2.7 rebounds...missed three games early in the season with a lower back strain and was hampered by a right toe injury (turf toe) in the final six games of the season...starter in 11 games, including each of the three NCAA tournament contests versus Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Illinois and Arizona...made eight consecutive starting appearances prior to the Seton Hall game on Jan. 12...equalled his personal best with 25 minutes against Georgetown in game one this season and finished with six points, six rebounds and three assists...played only five minutes in season finale at Georgetown after injuring right toe in previous outing vs. Syracuse...played 25 minutes in loss at Syracuse, finishing with six points and six rebounds...played 20-plus minutes in seven games...scored a career-high nine points hitting 3-3 from the field and 3-3 from the free throw line vs. Connecticut in 20 minutes...also had six rebounds and six assists in victory over Pittsburgh...scored eight points in 12 minutes off the bench against Virginia Tech...earned first career start against Marquette...tied his career-best with nine points and a personal-best eight rebounds in 14 minutes of action off the bench in Notre Dame's win over West Virginia...connected on 3-5 shots from the field and was 3-3 from the free throw line...played 15 minutes in second game against Seton Hall and had six points and five rebounds on 3-4 shooting from the field...played 25 minutes against Vanderbilt and finished with four points, three rebounds, three assists and two steals...grabbed a personal best seven rebounds against Canisius...came off the bench and played 21 minutes against Creighton...finished with six points and six rebounds in the contest, in addition to a career-high two steals...played nine minutes, scored three points and grabbed two rebounds versus Bucknell in his first action of the season...played 18 minutes in win over Albany and finished with five points and four rebounds...played a career-high 23 minutes against Maryland and finished with four points and four rebounds...scored four points and grabbed three rebounds against Seton Hall.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Hampered by a sprained right knee during the pre-season and at the start of the 2001-02 campaign...missed the first nine games of the regular season...averaged 2.2 points and 1.8 rebounds...saw action in 19 games after returning to the lineup for the first time in the Alabama game...played in both games of the NCAA and BIG EAST tournaments...scored a career-high six points and grabbed four rebounds in second game back while playing 18 minutes against Colgate...scored five points in second-round NCAA tournament loss to top-ranked Duke...netted four points and grabbed

four rebounds in second meeting with West Virginia...scored five points and grabbed a then career-high five rebounds against Georgetown while playing a personal-best 23 minutes in quadruple-overtime victory...hauled in a career-high six rebounds against Rutgers in loss on the road in just nine minutes of playing time...played 21 minutes against Syracuse and matched his career-high with six rebounds...registered one of the top performances of his career against Seton Hall at home, as he finished with five points and tied a personal best with four rebounds in 13 minutes of action...scored four points against Pittsburgh while playing eight minutes...saw action for the first time in 2001-02 against Alabama.

AS A FRESHMAN: Saw action in 15 games during his rookie season, totaling 13 points and 10 rebounds...played a season-high seven minutes against Long Island...had a season-high three points against Vermont and scored two points on three other occasions...scored two points and grabbed season-high three rebounds against Loyola in six minutes of action...matched season high with three rebounds in the Tennessee Tech game.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Played for Bill Ramsey at Blue Ridge School in St. George, Va., where he earned two letters...his two years at the Blue Ridge School were his first playing basketball in the United States...averaged 15.0 points and nine rebounds per game in 1999-2000...led Blue Ridge to the state championship his senior year...grabbed 23 rebounds in one game during his final prep season...as a junior, averaged 12.5 points and 10.0 rebounds as team finished with a 19-6 record...named the team MVP his senior year at Blue Ridge...one of three children...son of Theo and Rineke Timmermans...full name is Thomas Andries Timmermans...born 7-31-81 in Ymudien, Holland.

| | Career Highs | 2002-03 Season Highs |
|---|--|--|
| Points: | 9 vs. DePaul (12-14-02) vs. West Virginia (1-29-03) | 9 vs. DePaul (12-14) vs. West Virginia (1-29) |
| Field Goals: | 4 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) | 4 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 7 vs. Pittsburgh (2-9-03) | 7 vs. Pittsburgh (2-9) |
| Field-Goal Pct: | 1.000 on 12 occasions | 1.000 on eight occasions |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | — | — |
| Three-Point Field Goals Attempted: | 2 on two occasions | 2 vs. Creighton (11-26) |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | — | — |
| Free Throws: | 4 vs. Georgetown (2-1-03) | 4 vs. Georgetown (2-1) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 8 vs. Georgetown (2-1-03) | 8 vs. Georgetown (2-1) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1.000 on 12 occasions | 1.000 on nine occasions |
| Rebounds: | 8 vs. West Virginia (1-29-03) | 8 vs. West Virginia (1-29) |
| Assists: | 3 vs. Vanderbilt (12-30-02) | 3 vs. Vanderbilt (12-30) |
| Blocked Shots: | 1 on seven occasions | 1 on four occasions |
| Steals: | 2 on three occasions | 2 on three occasions |
| Minutes: | 25 on three occasions | 25 on three occasions |

Timmermans' Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA PCT. | 3-Point | | | FT-FTA PCT. | Rebounds | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|---------|--|
| | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | PCT. | | O | D | TOT | AVG. | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG | | |
| 2000-01 | 15-0 | 36/2.4 | 3-14 .214 | 0-5 | .000 | .000 | 7-10 | .700 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 0.7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2-0 | 13/0.9 | |
| BIG EAST | 7-0 | 10/1.4 | 1-5 .200 | 0-3 | .000 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1-0 | 2/0.3 | |
| 2001-02 | 19-0 | 157/8.3 | 15-35 .429 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 11-19 | .579 | 14 | 21 | 35 | 1.8 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 37-2 | 41/2.2 | |
| BIG EAST | 13-0 | 126/9.7 | 10-29 .345 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 6-14 | .429 | 13 | 18 | 31 | 2.4 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 27-1 | 26/2.0 | |
| 2002-03 | 30-10 | 378/12.6 | 39-79 .494 | 1-3 | .333 | .333 | 21-29 | .724 | 35 | 48 | 83 | 2.8 | 21 | 7 | 4 | 74-0 | 100/3.3 | |
| BIG EAST | 16-1 | 197/12.3 | 24-48 .500 | 1-1 | 1.000 | .706 | 12-17 | .706 | 21 | 28 | 49 | 3.1 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 36-0 | 61/3.8 | |
| TOTALS | 64-10 | 571/8.9 | 57-128 .445 | 1-8 | .125 | .39-58 | .672 | 53 | 75 | 128 | 2.0 | 28 | 8 | 8 | 113-2 | 154/2.4 | | |
| BIG EAST | 36-1 | 333/9.3 | 35-82 .427 | 1-4 | .250 | 18-31 | .580 | 35 | 46 | 81 | 2.3 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 64-1 | 89/2.5 | | |



Jordan Cornette

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Junior • Forward

Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier

AS A JUNIOR: Versatile frontcourt player will be a key part of the Irish lineup this season...is expected to see considerable playing time...smart, knowledgeable player with

a great feel for the game...his versatility gives Notre Dame tremendous flexibility at both ends of the floor...tremendous shot blocker...excellent defensive player who can guard anyone on the floor...has continued to develop his shot from the perimeter and is a threat from beyond the arc.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Averaged 3.0 points, 4.2 rebounds and 2.2 blocked shots...led team with 75 blocked shots, the fourth highest single-season total in school history...started the first six games of the season and then earned starts in 15 straight contests...did not start the final five games of the 2002-03 campaign...registered first career double double with career-highs of 13 rebounds and 11 blocked shots versus Belmont...the 11 blocked shots broke the school record of eight set by LaPhonso Ellis in 1992 and the Joyce Center mark of 10 established by UCLA's Bill Walton in 1973...had four points and eight rebounds in 27 minutes vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee in NCAA first round...played 30 minutes vs. Illinois, with two points, five rebounds, and three blocked shots...grabbed five rebounds versus Arizona...averaged 5.7 rebounds in three NCAA tournament games...scored six points in BIG EAST tournament contest vs. St. John's...played nine minutes in second game against Georgetown and finished with seven points...turned in one of his best all-around performances in win over West Virginia as he scored seven points, grabbed six rebounds, dished off three assists, made three steals and blocked two shots...in second meeting versus the Mountaineers, he netted four points, grabbed five rebounds, blocked three shots and made three steals in 27 minutes...scored four points, grabbed five rebounds, dished off two assists, made two steals and blocked one shot before fouling out of Notre Dame's double-overtime victory against Georgetown...netted five points and grabbed five rebounds versus Connecticut...scored five points, grabbed 11 rebounds (the second 10-plus rebounding outing of the season) and blocked three shots in playing a career-high 34 minutes against Boston College...played 33 minutes in win over the Scarlet Knights and finished with eight points, six rebounds and eight blocked shots...scored five points and grabbed six rebounds in loss at Rutgers...played 28 minutes in win over Providence and finished with four points, seven rebounds and three blocked shots...played 30 minutes against Belmont and also dished off four assists...blocked eight shots in 23 minutes of action versus IUPUI and grabbed six rebounds, scored four points and made three steals...scored four points in win over Bucknell...scored seven points in 31 minutes of action against Creighton...had four points and six rebounds against Furman...came up with three blocked shots in 13 minutes versus Albany...played 20 minutes off the bench against DePaul and had four rebounds and four blocked shots, in addition to two steals...scored four points and blocked four shots against Canisius...made his first three-pointer of the season against Vanderbilt...grabbed four rebounds in the Pittsburgh and Seton Hall games.

AS A FRESHMAN: Appeared in 31 games and made six starting appearances in those contests...averaged 2.7 points, 3.3 rebounds and 14.3 minutes...his first career start came in the second game of the season in win over Cornell...also started the Colgate, Villanova, Georgetown, Seton Hall and Pittsburgh games...played 20-plus minutes in seven games...played in both NCAA and both BIG EAST tournament contests...finished with six points and a career-high 10 rebounds in first meeting against the Pirates, in addition to finishing with three assists and two steals while playing a career-high 32 minutes of action...matched his career rebounding high against West Virginia as he finished with 10 boards...hit two three-pointers (the

first two of his career) versus the Mountaineers, finishing with eight points...grabbed four rebounds while playing 14 minutes in second meeting with Pirates...had six rebounds versus Pittsburgh in second meeting between the two teams...earned fourth start of the season against Georgetown and responded with a personal best 11 points while playing 31 minutes...registered eight points, six rebounds and three steals in first collegiate game vs. New Hampshire...also had six rebounds vs. Cornell...blocked three shots vs. Army...played 29 minutes vs. New Hampshire Cornell...played 17 minutes in the loss to Alabama and finished with six points and two rebounds...saw 25 minutes of playing time against Villanova in BIG EAST opener...played 10 minutes against Kentucky and finished with two points and three rebounds...grabbed five rebounds in eight minutes in loss at St. John's.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Three-year member of varsity team at St. Xavier Prep, under Scott Martin...averaged 14.0 points, 7.1 rebounds and 4.0 blocks per game as a senior while earning all-state honorable mention honors...two-time all-conference and all-city honoree...in his junior year, helped St. Xavier to Ohio state title in 2000 with a 25-2 record as squad also won conference and regional crowns that year...averaged 15.0 points and 10.0 rebounds that season...selected to play in the Ohio/Kentucky and Ohio/West Virginia all-star games following his senior year...scored a career-high 25 points vs. Elder and 24 points against Moeller...captained team as a senior and was a two-time MVP at St. Xavier...led Cincinnati AAU team to runner-up finish at the 120-team AAU national tournament in Orlando, Fla., in the summer of 2000...advanced to the championship game after beating current Irish teammate Chris Thomas' Bloomington Red team in the semifinals...as a junior averaged 9.0 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.0 blocked shots while garnering all-Greater Catholic League honors as well as all-city second team accolades...attended same high school as former Irish football captain Rocky Boiman and current baseball second baseman Steve Sollman...one of three children...son of Joel and Christi Cornette...oldest brother Joel played basketball at Butler...born 3-31-83 in Columbus, Ohio.

| | Career Highs | 2002-03 Season Highs |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Points: | 11 vs. Georgetown (1-21-02) | 8 vs. Rutgers (1-14) |
| Field Goals: | 5 vs. Georgetown (1-21-02) | 3 on five occasions |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 10 vs. Boston College (1-25-03) | 10 vs. Boston College (1-25) |
| Field-Goal Pct: | 1,000 on 11 occasions | 1,000 on three occasions |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | 2 vs. West Virginia (2-20-01) | 1 on six occasions |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | 4 vs. West Virginia (2-20-01) | 3 vs. Illinois (3-22) |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | 1,000 on two occasions | 1,000 on three occasions |
| Free Throws: | 3 vs. Hawaii Pacific(11-23-01) | 2 vs. Canisius (12-22) vs. Rutgers (1-14) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 4 on three occasions | 4 vs. Boston College (1-25) vs. Rutgers (3-1) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1,000 on four occasions | 1,000 on three occasions |
| Rebounds: | 13 vs. Belmont (11-17-02) | 13 vs. Belmont (11-17) |
| Assists: | 3 vs. Seton Hall (1-26-02) | 3 vs. West Virginia (1-29) |
| Blocked Shots: | 11 vs. Belmont (11-17-02) | 11 vs. Belmont (11-17) |
| Steals: | 4 vs. Belmont (11-17-02) | 4 vs. Belmont (1-17) |
| Minutes: | 34 vs. Boston College (1-25-03) | 34 vs. Boston College (1-25) |

Cornette's Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA PCT. | 3-Point | | | Rebounds | | | O | D | TOT | AVG. | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|----------------|------|---------|
| | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | FT-FTA | PCT. | PCT. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2001-02 | 31-6 | 443/14.3 | 36-82 .439 | 3-12 | .250 | 10-21 | .476 | 40 | 62 | 102 | 3.3 | 16 | 20 | 17 | 51-2 | 85/2.7 | | |
| BIG EAST | 15-4 | 236/15.7 | 17-41 .415 | 3-9 | .333 | 5-13 | .385 | 22 | 39 | 61 | 4.1 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 25-1 | 42/2.8 | | |
| 2002-03 | 34-21 | 658/19.4 | 42-92 .457 | 6-19 | .316 | 13-23 | .565 | 45 | 98 | 143 | 4.2 | 33 | 34 | 75 | 81-2 | 103/3.0 | | |
| BIG EAST | 16-14 | 310/19.4 | 23-51 .451 | 4-10 | .400 | 8-14 | .571 | 29 | 44 | 73 | 4.6 | 12 | 17 | 31 | 39-1 | 58/3.6 | | |
| TOTALS | 65-27 | 1101/16.9 | 78-174 .448 | 9-31 | .290 | 23-44 | .523 | 85 | 160 | 245 | 3.8 | 49 | 54 | 92 | 132-4 | 188/2.9 | | |
| BIG EAST | 31-18 | 546/17.6 | 40-92 .435 | 7-19 | .368 | 13-27 | .481 | 51 | 83 | 134 | 4.3 | 22 | 27 | 38 | 64-2 | 100/3.2 | | |



Chris Thomas

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Junior • Guard

Indianapolis, IN/Pike

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AS A JUNIOR: Returns for the 2003-04 campaign as one of the top players and a bonafide preseason candidate for All-America and national player-of-the-

year honors...will be considered one of the best point guards in college basketball this season...entered his name for the 2003 National Basketball Association Draft on May 6 and then withdrew on June 16 to return to Notre Dame for his junior year...likely to be regarded as the best combination of scorer and distributor in college basketball this season...a fearless player on the court who plays with a great deal of confidence...gifted athlete with exceptional all-around skills and a tremendous court sense...has exceptional maturity and presence on the court...runs the floor extremely well and ignites Notre Dame's transition game...displays great poise on the floor and patience in the half-court offense...versatile scorer and player with excellent range from the perimeter...has the ability to drive to the basket...his creative passing skills help break down opponent defenses in the post...strong defender on the perimeter and a good rebounder at both ends of the floor...a tough guard to defend around the basket because of his scoring and passing abilities...the only player in Notre Dame basketball history to wear #1 jersey.

AS A SOPHOMORE: An honorable mention Associated Press selection...ranked second on the team in scoring with an 18.7 scoring average...also averaged 6.9 assists and 1.8 steals to lead the team, in addition to 4.0 rebounds...ranked eighth nationally in assists...scored in double figures in final 20 games of the season and dished off eight or more assists in 13 contests...became the 42nd player in Notre Dame basketball history to score 1,000 career points and just seventh player to reach the mark in his second season...has scored in double figures in 55 of 67 career games and has dished off 10-plus assists in 14 career contests...has registered 20-plus points in 24 career games...his .871 free throw percentage during the 2002-03 campaign is the best in school history...leading scorer for the Irish in its three NCAA tournament games as he averaged 21.9 points...finished with 20 points, five rebounds and five assists against Arizona in West Regional semifinal contest in Anaheim, Calif...had 17 points to help Notre Dame over Illinois in NCAA second round...led Irish with 27 points and eight rebounds in first round vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee...logged 40 minutes in all three NCAA tournament games...scored 18 points, dished off nine assists and grabbed six rebounds versus St. John's in BIG EAST tournament first-round loss to Red Storm...dished off his 400th career assist against Georgetown on Feb. 1...named to the Guardians Classic All-Tournament Team...earned BIG EAST Co-Player of the Week honors for the first time in his career for the week of January 27 after averaging 25.5 points, 6.5 assists and 6.5 rebounds in road wins at Providence and Boston College...dished off his 200th assist in '02-'03 in Rutgers game on March 1 to become the only player in Notre Dame basketball history to dish off 200-plus assists in consecutive seasons...registered 15 20-point efforts...in Irish win over Georgetown at the MCI Center, finished with 29 points, seven rebounds, six assists and three steals...scored 24 points and grabbed nine rebounds (tying a career high) in loss to Rutgers...registered his fourth double double of the season in win over Virginia Tech as he scored 21 points and tied his career-high with 13

assists...also finished with six rebounds and three steals...scored 24 points in win over Pittsburgh...also dished off eight assists against the Panthers...in second meeting versus West Virginia, scored 13 points in 38 minutes and finished with eight assists and no turnovers...netted 19 points and nine rebounds against Connecticut...scored 16 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished off eight assists against Syracuse in second meeting between the two teams...scored 14 points and dished off six assists in loss at Seton Hall...netted his fourth 20-point outing in a seven-game span in double-overtime win against Georgetown as he scored 24 points...connected on 14-16 from the free throw line (both career bests) and dished off six assists...played 45 minutes before fouling out for the first time ever in his career (spanning 54 games) against GU...finished with 28 points in overtime at Boston College, scoring 25 points in the second half...also added a season-high eight rebounds and dished off seven assists versus the Eagles as he played 42 of a possible 45 minutes...scored 16 points and dished off six assists in 38 minutes in loss at Syracuse... vs. Canisius scored 17 points and dished off 13 assists, which matched his career-high...played 23 minutes in the game (the fewest ever in the first 44 games of his career)...also had a double double against DePaul as he scored 22 points and dished off 10 assists...matched his career best with 32 points in win over Marquette...also finished with 10 assists for his eighth career double double and first of the season...scored in double figures in 10 straight games before being held to just eight points in win over Valparaiso...netted a game-high 23 points, grabbed five rebounds and dished off six assists in 38 minutes in win over Providence...scored 22 points in win over Seton Hall in first meeting between the two teams...in second matchup with Seton Hall, finished with 14 points and six assists...netted 20-plus points in consecutive games versus Bucknell, Furman and Creighton, marking the first time in his career that he scored 20-plus points in three straight contests...had 19 points, a season-high six rebounds and eight assists in win over No. 2 Texas...his three-pointer with 2:06 remaining against the Longhorns gave the Irish the lead for good...netted 19 points, dished off five assists and made three steals against Vanderbilt...scored 10 points and dished off nine assists versus Maryland...tied Dan Miller for game-high scoring honors versus Furman as he finished with 20 points, three assists and four steals...had team-high 22 points against Creighton, in addition to four assists and five steals...leading scorer against Bucknell as he finished with 20 points...scored 18 points, dished off seven assists, grabbed six rebounds and made three steals in win over West Virginia in matchup at the Joyce Center...finished with 14 points (all in the second half), seven assists and three steals against Albany...netted 14 points and dished off six assists against Kentucky...scored 15 points and dished off eight assists versus Belmont...finished with eight points and 11 assists in win over IUPUI...held to eight points against both IUPUI and Valparaiso...netted a season-low five points against Pittsburgh in first game of season.

AS A FRESHMAN: Named National Freshman of the Year by *Basketball Times* and *Basketball News*...heralded Irish rookie was the first Mr. Basketball from Indiana to attend Notre Dame...finished as the team's second-leading scorer with a 15.6 scoring average...established Notre Dame single-season record for assists (252) and steals (72)...his 516 points during the

Thomas' Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA PCT. | 3-Point | | | Rebounds | | | O | D | TOT | AVG. | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------|------|---------|
| | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | FT-FTA | PCT. | PCT. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2001-02 | 33-33 | 1255/38.0 | 160-413 .387 | 76-206 | .369 | 120-135 | .889 | 26 | 88 | 114 | 3.5 | 252 | 72 | 6 | 71-0 | 516/15.6 | | |
| BIG EAST | 16-16 | 644/40.2 | 74-202 .366 | 32-105 | .305 | 68-78 | .872 | 12 | 46 | 58 | 3.6 | 130 | 32 | 6 | 32-0 | 248/15.5 | | |
| 2002-03 | 34-34 | 1247/36.7 | 211-523 .403 | 80-208 | .385 | 135-155 | .871 | 34 | 101 | 135 | 4.0 | 236 | 62 | 8 | 80-1 | 637/17.2 | | |
| BIG EAST | 16-16 | 610/38.1 | 102-262 .389 | 38-110 | .345 | 73-86 | .849 | 19 | 57 | 76 | 4.8 | 108 | 30 | 1 | 40-1 | 315/19.7 | | |
| TOTALS | 67-67 | 2502/37.3 | 371-936 .396 | 156-414 | .377 | 255-290 | .879 | 60 | 189 | 249 | 3.7 | 488 | 134 | 14 | 151-11153/17.2 | | | |
| BIG EAST | 32-32 | 1254/39.2 | 176-464 .379 | 70-215 | .326 | 141-164 | .860 | 31 | 103 | 134 | 4.2 | 238 | 62 | 7 | 72-1 | 563/17.6 | | |

season rank as the second-most ever by an Irish freshman...2002 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year...selected to the BIG EAST All-Rookie Team and earned third team all-BIG EAST honors...named to the 2002 BIG EAST Championship All-Tournament team (first player in Notre Dame history to be selected) after averaging 19.5 points, 10.5 assists and 4.5 rebounds...*Sports Illustrated's* Player of the Week for the week of Feb. 11 after averaging 27.0 points, 11.5 assists, 5.0 rebounds and 2.5 steals in wins over Rutgers and Georgetown...a six-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week honoree...averaged team-leading 7.64 assists and 2.18 steals...finished fifth nationally in assists and 14th in free throw percentage...averaged 19.5 points, 4.5 rebounds and 10.5 assists in Notre Dame's two BIG EAST Tournament games...averaged 6.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 7.0 assists in NCAA tournament action...dished off seven assists in both NCAA tournament games, against Charlotte and Duke...grabbed a career-high nine rebounds versus the Blue Devils...averaged 38.0 minutes and played the entire game in 14 games (played 1,255 minutes of a possible 1,340)...played 30-plus minutes in 32 of 33 games (season-low 26 vs. Monmouth)...started all 33 games...scored in double figures in 24 contests and netted 20-plus points in nine games...dished off 10-plus assists in nine games and recorded seven double-doubles...registered the first triple-double in Notre Dame history as he scored 24 points, dished off 11 assists and made 11 steals against New Hampshire in his first collegiate outing...played entire 60 minutes in win against Georgetown and finished with 22 points, 12 assists and a season-high eight rebounds...hit game-winning jumper with 1:56 to play that gave the Irish the lead for good in the fourth overtime session versus the Hoyas...turned the ball over just five times in the game and once in the final 40 minutes...scored 15 points, dished off 11 assists and made five steals in BIG EAST tournament quarterfinal win over St. John's and had 24 points and 10 assists in semifinal loss to Connecticut...played all 40 minutes in both contests...connected on 6 of 9 three-pointers against the Huskies...had fourth double-double of the season against Miami as he matched his season-high with 32 points, in addition to dishing off 12 assists...tied Notre Dame single-game free-throw percentage mark as he connected on all 10 of his free-throw attempts in that game...posted third double-double in five games and fourth of the season against West Virginia as he scored 26 points and dished off 12 assists...dished off 10 assists and scored eight points in loss at St. John's...averaged one turnover every 12.30 minutes...was one of four Irish players in double figures against Providence in regular-season finale as he finished with 13 points...became the first freshman in Notre Dame history to score 30-plus points and dish off 10-plus assists in a game when he tallied a season-high 32 points and dished off 11 assists (matching a personal best) versus Rutgers for his first career double-double in the first meeting between the two teams...hit 10 of 14 shots from the field was 7 of 9 from three-point range...scored game-winning layup with 5.8 seconds remaining in 63-61 victory on the road at Seton Hall...netted 10 points, six assists and three steals while playing 40 minutes and committing just one turnover...tied for team-high scoring honors with David Graves when he finished with 19 points on 6-of-9 shooting from the field against Pittsburgh in second meeting between the two teams...scored 11 points, six rebounds, five assists, four steals and blocked two shots in 39 minutes of action in win over Seton Hall...played the entire 40 minutes against Georgetown in first meeting, tallying 13 points and dishing off eight assists...scored 13 points and eight assists in 39 minutes versus Kentucky...netted 28 points (18 in the second half) against Colgate as he connected on 9 of 12 shots from the field and 6 of 8 three-point attempts...in BIG EAST opener vs. Villanova, he played all 40 minutes, scored 18 points, dished off seven assists and made four steals...scored 15 points (all in the second half) in come-from-behind win at West Virginia...hit three key three-pointers in that contest and was 6 of 7 from the foul line in the final 1:23...played entire game in nine of 16 BIG EAST games...had nine assists and only turned the ball over two times against Syracuse...scored 14 points (all in the second half) in loss to Alabama while logging 39 minutes...tied his then season-best of 24 points against Indiana...logged 40 minutes in road games at Indiana and Miami-Ohio and in both BIG EAST tournament contests...did not commit a turnover in three of first five games (Cornell, Hawaii Pacific, Monmouth)...had 17 points, six assists and five rebounds against Canisius...scored 19 points in win at Miami-Ohio while also dishing off four assists and making three steals...had 13 points six-of-10 shooting and nine assists on vs. Army...earned all-tournament honors in Hawaii Pacific Thanksgiving Classic, averaging 10.3 points and 8.0 assists...had 19 points and eight assists while hitting 12 of 12 free throws vs. Tennessee-Chattanooga...dished off career-high 13 assists vs. Hawaii Pacific...his 11 steals against New Hampshire in his first collegiate outing broke the Notre Dame and Joyce Center record for steals in a game, shattering Ray Martin's seven against Northwestern in 1974...scored 22 points, including 6-of-7 shooting from three-point range, against Cornell to become the first freshman in school history to score 20 or more points in his first two games...the last Irish player to put up 20 in his first two varsity games was the school's all-time leading scorer, Austin Carr, who did it as a sophomore in 1968-69...held without a field goal in second Rutgers game 0-14 and 0-9 from three-point range...only first-year player to earn BIG EAST

Rookie of the Week honors six times in a season...earned the first BIG EAST Rookie of the Week award of the season (Nov. 19), the second Irish player to be so honored (Troy Murphy)...shared co-rookie of the week honors with Ryan Gomes of Providence (Dec. 30), Emeka Okafor of Connecticut (Jan. 14) and Ricky Shields of Rutgers (Feb. 4)...won it for the second consecutive week (Feb. 11) following the wins over Rutgers and Georgetown...earned sixth rookie-of-the-week honor on Feb. 25 after leading the Irish to wins over West Virginia and Miami...combined with Ryan Humphrey to become the first Irish pair to win both BIG EAST weekly awards in the same season.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Four-year varsity player under head coach Alan Darner, leading Pike High School to two state crowns...one of 12 McDonald's All-Americans and the first Mr. Basketball from Indiana to attend Notre Dame...a fourth-team *Parade* All-America selection and the *USA Today* Indiana Player of the Year after leading Pike to the 2000 state championship in...squad finished with a 26-3 record and final ranking of 23rd in the *USA Today* national rankings...averaged 23.4 points, 3.9 rebounds, 5.7 assists and 3.7 steals during his final season...had 20 points, four steals, three assists and two rebounds in class 4-A state championship game as Pike defeated Penn High School 56-42...also was a member of the Pike team which claimed the state title in 1998...finished 11th on the Indiana all-time high school scoring list with 2,156 career points...led Pike to a four-year record of 91-15...averaged 24.3 points, 5.6 rebounds, 4.7 assists and 3.5 steals as junior in leading Pike to an 18-6 record...played in all 106 games during his prep career...as a sophomore, averaged 22.5 points, 4.9 rebounds, 4.0 assists and 2.5 steals as squad finished with a 17-5 mark...in his freshman season netted 12.9 points per game while helping squad capture '98 state crown with a final record of 30-1...finished as Pike's career leader in points (2,156), assists (502), steals (312), free throws made (453) and three-point field goals made (241)...set the school's single-season records for points (676) and free throws made (148)...also established school records for consecutive free throws made (36) and consecutive games with a free throw (17) as well as the single-season free-throw percentage record (.902)...recipient of the prestigious Arthur L. Trester Award for Mental Attitude, following the 2000 state championship game...had 11 points, three steals and two assists in 20 minutes of action in McDonald's All-Star Game...played for West squad in Sonny Vaccaro's EA Sports Roundball Classic...a three-time first-team all-state selection...three-time captain and team MVP...played in two Indiana/Kentucky all-star games...scored 24 points in first game (a 103-90 loss) and then netted 26 points in second game (107-91 win)...played on Bloomington Red AAU club team that lost in semifinal game at national AAU tournament in summer 2000...his Bloomington squad suffered semifinals loss to Cincinnati AAU team which current Irish teammate Jordan Cornette played on...father Frank played basketball at Butler University and was an Indiana all-state selection at Northside High School...named to the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team for 2001-02 school year...second-oldest of four children...son of Frank and Tammy Thomas...born 10-3-82 in Indianapolis, Ind.

| | Career Highs | 2002-03 Season |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| Points: | 32 vs. Rutgers (2-6-02) vs. Miami (2-23-02) vs. Marquette (12-2-02) | 32 vs. Marquette (12-2) |
| Field Goals: | 12 vs. Marquette (12-2-02) | 12 vs. Marquette (12-2-02) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 21 on three occasions | 21 on three occasions |
| Field-Goal Pct.: | .714 (10-14) vs. Rutgers (2-6-02) | .571 (8-14) vs. Bucknell (12-08) |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | 7 vs. Rutgers (2-6-02) | 5 vs. Marquette (12-2) |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | 11 on three occasions | 8 on three occasions |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | .857 (6-7) vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01) | .750 (3-4) vs. Belmont (11-17) |
| Free Throws: | 14 vs. Georgetown (2-1-03) | 14 vs. Georgetown (2-1) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 16 vs. Georgetown (2-1-03) | 16 vs. Georgetown (2-1) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1,000 on 25 occasions | 1,000 on 14 occasions |
| Rebounds: | 9 vs. Duke (3-16-02) vs. Rutgers (3-1-03) | 8 vs. Boston College (1-25) vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (3-20) |
| Assists: | 13 vs. Hawaii Pacific (11-23-01) vs. Canisius (12-22-02) vs. Virginia Tech (2-22-03) | 13 vs. Canisius (12-22) vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Blocked Shots: | 2 vs. Seton Hall (1-26-02) | 1 on eight occasions |
| Steals: | 11 vs. New Hampshire (11-16-01) | 5 vs. Creighton (11-26) |
| Minutes: | 60 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02) | 45 vs. Georgetown (2-1) |



Rick Cornett

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6-8 • 244

Sophomore • Forward

Country Club Hills, IL/Homewood Christian Academy

AS A SOPHOMORE: One of the team's most physical players on the floor...expected to assume a greater role in the frontcourt this season and will see

considerable playing time this season...a warrior underneath the basket...a natural rebounder because of his aggressiveness...will give the Irish a tremendous defensive presence in the low post...continues to work on developing his offensive skills...has a long wing span...possesses good footwork and speed around the basket.

AS A FRESHMAN: Came off the bench in his rookie season and saw action in 12 games...averaged 2.5 points and 1.1 rebounds...played a personal best 12 minutes versus Canisius and equalled his personal best with six points...scored a career-high six points in win over Albany and grabbed two rebounds in eight minutes of action...played 11 minutes and scored four points in win over Belmont...also finished with four points in IUPUI game...scored four points in five minutes off the bench against DePaul...had two blocked shots against Furman.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Completed stellar four-year career at Homewood Christian Academy by leading team to three consecutive Association of Christian Schools International (A.C.S.I.) state championships from 2000-02 and consecutive third-place finishes in '01 and '02 at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes National Invitational...played for head coach Steve Shonamon...finished career with 2,488 career points and grabbed

1,788 rebounds...averaged 21.0 points and 14.0 rebounds during his final prep seasons...led Homewood Christian Academy to 118-25 four-year record...also averaged double figures in both scoring and rebounding, with averages of 17.9 points and 12.0 rebounds as a junior and 20.3 points and 14.0 rebounds during his junior and sophomore seasons, respectively...two-time all-state selection...led his '01 Illinois Warrior team to the 17-and-under AAU national championship...named to the '02 all-tournament team at FCA National Tournament...two-time participant at Nike All-America Camp...a Wendy's High School Heisman honoree...member of gold-medal team in June of '01, playing for the North squad at the USA Basketball Development Festival Tournament, a championship which included 46 of the best high school players in the country...three-time MVP of Grace Baptist Tournament and two-time MVP of South Haven Christian Tournament...teamed with current Irish freshman Chris Quinn in leading the Team 7-UP Ohio squad to the championship of the Junior International Tournament in Milan, Italy (spring of 2002)...he and Chris Quinn also played in the Jordan Brand Capital Classic in Washington, D.C...participated in the Wendy's All-Star Shootout...had his number 11 jersey retired at Homewood Christian Academy on March 15, 2002...oldest of two children...full name is L. Rick Cornett...son of L. Rick I and Iola Cornett...born 11-2-83 in Chicago, Ill.

| Career and 2003-03 Season Highs | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Points: | 6 vs. Albany (11-30) vs. Canisius (12-22) |
| Field Goals: | 3 vs. Albany (11-30) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 4 vs. Albany (11-30) |
| Field-Goal Pct: | .750 (3-4) vs. Albany (11-30) |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | — |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | — |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | — |
| Free Throws: | 2 on five occasions |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 4 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1.000 vs. on four occasions |
| Rebounds: | 2 on five occasions |
| Assists: | 1 on two occasions |
| Blocked Shots: | 2 vs. Furman (11-25) |
| Steals: | — |
| Minutes: | 12 vs. Canisius (12-22) |

Cornett's Career Statistics

| YEAR | 6-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA | PCT. | 3-Point | | | FT-FTA | PCT. | Rebounds | | | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG | |
|-----------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|---------------|
| | | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | PCT. | | | O | D | TOT | | | | | | |
| 2002-03 | 12-0 | 61/5.1 | 10-17 | .588 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 10-14 | .714 | 2 | 11 | 13 | 1.1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 7-0 | 30/2.5 |
| BIG EAST | 2-0 | 4/2.0 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 2-4 | .500 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 2/1.0 |
| TOTALS | 12-0 | 61/5.1 | 10-17 | .588 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 10-14 | .714 | 2 | 11 | 13 | 1.1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 7-0 | 30/2.5 |
| BIG EAST | 2-0 | 4/2.0 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | .000 | 2-4 | .500 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 2/1.0 |



Torin Francis

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6-10 • 240

Sophomore • Forward

Roslindale, MA/Tabor Academy

AS A SOPHOMORE: Talented second-year player enjoyed one of the finest seasons ever by a Notre Dame frontcourt player in his freshman season...his dominant play in the

post last season showed why he was one of the top prep players in the country...will be considered one of the top frontline players in this season...has a physical presence on the court, but also plays with a great deal of finesse...a gifted athlete with game-breaking ability...a versatile all-around frontcourt player who plays both ends of the floor extremely well...shows versatility at both ends of the court...runs the floor well for a player with his size and is explosive in the post...a smart decision-maker with the ball...displays unselfishness on the court and a player who is also looking to distribute the ball.

AS A FRESHMAN: Started all 34 games during his rookie season and averaged 11.1 points (fourth best on the team) and a team-leading 8.4 rebounds...a BIG EAST All-Rookie Team selection...averaged 28.6 minutes per game...scored in double figures in 19 games and grabbed 10-plus rebounds in 12 games...registered a team-high 10 double doubles...an all-tournament team selection at the BB&T Classic...played 30-plus minutes in 13 games this season, including a career-best 40 minutes versus Arizona in regional semifinal contest...against the Wildcats, connected on 10-11 shots from the field in scoring 25 points and grabbing 10 rebounds...played 38 minutes, scoring five points and grabbing 14 rebounds in NCAA second round win versus I vs. Illinois...averaged 17.7 points and 12.7 rebounds in Notre Dame's three NCAA tournament games, while shooting 18-31 (.581) from the field...registered ninth double double of season in first round vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, delivering career-high 23 points, including game-winning layup with 33 seconds remaining...shot seven of 11 from the field and nine of 10 from the free throw line...also had 14 rebounds...scored 19 points and grabbed six rebounds in loss to St. John's in the first round of the BIG EAST Championship while playing a career best 37 minutes...BIG EAST Co-Rookie of the Week for the week of Dec. 9...converted on game-winning layup with 0.6 seconds remaining in 66-64 victory over Pittsburgh and finished the game with seven points, five rebounds and two assists...in Irish loss at home to Syracuse as he finished with 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds...also blocked five shots vs. SU...connected on 6-7 shots from the field and was 7-10 from the free throw line...registered seventh double double in win over Valparaiso as he scored 12 points and grabbed 10 rebounds...finished with 11 points and 11 rebounds in win over Vanderbilt...scored 11 points and grabbed six rebounds in win at West Virginia...netted 17 points and grabbed six rebounds in loss at Syracuse...was 11-17 (both personal highs) from the free throw line...registered 13 points and grabbed eight rebounds in 30 minutes against Providence...scored 15 points and grabbed eight rebounds against Boston College...finished with 11 points in loss at Rutgers...in championship game versus Texas, played 35 minutes in win over the Longhorns and registered his fifth double double with 21 points and 10 rebounds, connecting on 7-12 shots from the field and 7-8 from the free throw line...in addition, he finished with a personal best eight blocked shots...in the first round game against Maryland, had 20 points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots against Maryland as he made all eight of his field-goal attempts...became the first Irish freshman to grab 20 rebounds in a game in win over Bucknell...in win over Marquette, he finished with 11 points and 13 rebounds playing a career-high 33 minutes...it marked the second straight double double outing as he also finished with his 15 points and 15 rebounds in previous outing versus Albany...registered his second double double of the season with 11 points and 20 rebounds versus Bucknell...in collegiate debut, played 25 minutes and scored seven points, grabbed four rebounds and blocked four shots in win over Belmont...registered the first double double of his career with 16 points and

10 rebounds in 28 minutes versus IUPUI...scored 10 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished off a career-high three assists versus DePaul in 26 minutes...scored six points and grabbed seven rebounds in 31 minutes in BIG EAST debut against Pittsburgh...finished with 10 points, seven rebounds and a career-high three steals against Seton Hall in first game...netted nine points and grabbed 10 rebounds in loss to the Pirates in second meeting...finished with eight points and seven rebounds...had five points and nine rebounds in win over Furman...scored eight points and grabbed nine rebounds against Kentucky...scored five points, grabbed three rebounds and blocked three shots against Georgetown...scored eight points and grabbed nine rebounds versus Connecticut and netted seven points and grabbed eight rebounds in win over the Hoyas at the MCI Center.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Notre Dame's second McDonald's and Parade All-American in as many seasons...averaged 28.5 points, 11.0 rebounds and 3.0 blocked shots in his final scholastic campaign at Tabor Academy under head coach David First...recipient of the Morgan Wootten Award as the McDonald's National Boys National Player of the Year...a second-team All-America selection by Parade Magazine...scored seven points and grabbed six rebounds as a starter for the East squad at the McDonald's All-America contest, held in Madison Square Garden...netted seven points, grabbed eight rebounds and blocked two shots in 24 minutes of action at the EA Sports Roundball Classic held in Chicago...two-time Nike All-American...played his first two seasons of high school basketball at Boston Latin before transferring to Tabor, where he played for three years...two-year starter at Tabor...he averaged 20.0 points and 10.0 rebounds and 3.0 blocked shots during his junior year...three-time all-conference selection...led his Tabor Academy team to three consecutive New England Prep school championships...holds school record in triple jump...played in the '01 USA Development Youth Basketball Festival...standout on the BABC AAU team...won McDonald's "2-Ball" competition with current Notre Dame freshman women's basketball player Courtney LaVere...vice-president of senior class and served as sports editor of the student newspaper...also was a proctor (the equivalent to a residence assistant in college) in one of the dormitories on the Tabor campus...second oldest of six children...full name is Torin Jamal Francis...son of Brynell Francis Smikle...born 6-26-83 in Boston, Mass.

Career and 2002-03 Season Highs

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Points: | 25 vs. Arizona (3-27) |
| Field Goals: | 10 vs. Arizona (3-27) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 13 vs. IUPUI (11-30) vs. St. John's (3-12) |
| Field-Goal Pct: | 1.000 on two occasions |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | 1 vs. Arizona (3-27) |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | 1 vs. Arizona (3-27) |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | 1.000 (1-1) vs. Arizona (3-27) |
| Free Throws: | 11 vs. Syracuse (2-15) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 17 vs. Syracuse (2-15) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1.000 on three occasions |
| Rebounds: | 20 vs. Bucknell (11-22) |
| Assists: | 4 vs. Virginia Tech (2-22) |
| Blocked Shots: | 8 vs. Texas (12-8) |
| Steals: | 3 vs. Seton Hall (1-12) |
| Minutes: | 40 vs. Arizona (3-27) |

Francis' Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGAPCT. | 3-Point | | FT-FTA | PCT. | O | Rebounds | | | | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG |
|----------|-------|----------|--------------|---------|-------|---------|------|----|----------|-----|------|----|------|-----|------|----------|---------|
| | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | | | | D | TOT | AVG. | | | | | | |
| 2002-03 | 34-34 | 974/28.6 | 126-252 .500 | 1-1 | 1.000 | 124-181 | .685 | 96 | 188 | 284 | 8.4 | 34 | 16 | 60 | 64-0 | 377/11.1 | |
| BIG EAST | 16-16 | 448/28.0 | 48-104 .462 | 0-0 | .000 | 56-83 | .675 | 34 | 71 | 105 | 6.6 | 19 | 7 | 23 | 29-0 | 152/9.5 | |
| TOTALS | 34-34 | 974/28.6 | 126-252 .500 | 1-1 | 1.000 | 124-181 | .685 | 96 | 188 | 284 | 8.4 | 34 | 16 | 60 | 64-0 | 377/11.1 | |
| BIG EAST | 16-16 | 448/28.0 | 48-104 .462 | 0-0 | .000 | 56-83 | .675 | 34 | 71 | 105 | 6.6 | 19 | 7 | 23 | 29-0 | 152/9.5 | |



Chris Quinn

6-2 • 178

Sophomore • Guard

Dublin, OH/Dublin Coffman

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AS A SOPHOMORE: Expected to join Chris Thomas in the Irish backcourt...versatile player who will see time at either the point or two-

guard...plays with a great deal of confidence and will see extended minutes this season...showed during his freshman year the ability to handle pressure situations...one of the team's toughest defenders because of his craftiness...smart player with a good knowledge of the game...good ballhandler who rarely turns the ball over...has adept passing abilities and innate vision on the court...has good perimeter range and will be one of the team's top three-point threats...deceptive player with good speed...like Thomas, he is fearless and plays with a great deal of passion...will combine with Thomas to form one of the nation's most consistent backcourts.

AS A FRESHMAN: Saw action in all 34 games during his rookie season and averaged 3.9 points and 1.6 rebounds in 15.3 minutes per game off the bench...played a career-high 29 minutes in Notre Dame's win over Georgetown at the MCI Center and finished with eight points, five rebounds, six assists and three steals...logged 17 minutes off the bench in BIG EAST Championship first round game and finished with five points...played 19 minutes vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee in NCAA first round...had eight points and five rebounds vs. Illinois in second-round contest...has played 20-plus minutes in nine games...netted three points in West regional semifinal loss to Arizona...scored 10 points in 12 minutes of action (all in the first half) in Notre Dame's overtime win at Boston College...played 14 minutes in double-overtime win against Georgetown and finished with four points, two assists and a steal...played the final 3:55 of second overtime after Chris Thomas fouled out and hit two free throws...played 25 minutes in loss at the Joyce Center to Syracuse and finished with eight points and three assists...came off the bench and played 26 minutes against Marquette... finished with a personal best 12 points against Marquette as he connected on 5 of 8 shots from the field for the first 10-plus point outing of his career...grabbed a personal best six rebounds in 24 minutes against Valparaiso...had six points in win over Texas and scored five points and grabbed four rebounds versus Maryland in the BB&T Classic...also had six points, hitting two three-pointers against Seton Hall...netted nine points off the bench in 20 minutes of action against Creighton...was 3 of 4 from the field against the Blue Jays — all from three-point range...scored six points and registered career-bests of five assists and five steals against Albany in 18 minutes off the bench...finished with three points and four rebounds against Pittsburgh in

21 minutes of action...scored eight points, dished off three assists and made four steals in collegiate debut versus Belmont...played 17 minutes, scored six points and dished off three assists against DePaul...added six points against IUPUI as he connected on both of his three-point attempts...also dished off three assists in the game...played 20 minutes in the season opener versus Belmont.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Averaged 22.4 points and 7.0 assists during 2001-02 campaign and finished with 1,670 career points and 468 assists...finished his career at Dublin Coffman with an 18.2 scoring average under head coach Tony Bornhorst...concluded his career owning 14 school records...named *Columbus Dispatch* Agonis Player of the Year in '02...copped Ohio District 10 and Associated Press District player-of-the-year honors following his final scholastic season...twice named a first-team all-state and Suburban Super 12 first-team honoree...three-time first-team all-conference selection...runner-up for Mr. Basketball honors in Ohio as a senior...Dublin Coffman finished 20-0 in league play his final two seasons...played in the Jordan Brand Capital Classic in Washington, D.C., along with teammate Rick Cornett...named the Ohio Capital Conference Player of the Year after leading his team to back-to-back conference championships in '01 and '02, in addition to two straight district championships...averaged double figures all four seasons on high school varsity team...posted averages of 18.9 points, 5.8 rebounds and 5.2 assists as a junior...led Team 7-UP Ohio to three straight titles at Junior International Tournament in Milan, Italy (2000-02)...won the three-point shooting contest at that event in '01 and was also MVP of the tournament that same year...MVP of National Hoops Classic Game...broke his own school record for points and assists with 46 and 18, respectively, against Westerville South in final scholastic season...member of National Honor Society...second oldest of three children...full name is Christopher James Quinn...son of Chris and Susan Quinn...born 9-27-83 in New Orleans, La.

| Career and 2002-03 Season Highs | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Points: | 12 vs. Marquette (12-2) |
| Field Goals: | 5 vs. Marquette (12-2) |
| Field Goals Attempted: | 8 on three occasions |
| Field-Goal Pct: | 1.000 (2-2) vs. St. John's (3-12) |
| Three-Point Field Goals: | 3 vs. Creighton (11-26) |
| Three Field Goals Attempted: | 6 vs. Pittsburgh (1-6) |
| Three-Point Field Goal Pct.: | 1.000 on five occasions |
| Free Throws: | 3 vs. Maryland (12-7) vs. DePaul (12-14) |
| Free Throws Attempted: | 4 vs. Maryland (12-7) vs. DePaul (12-14) |
| Free-Throw Percentage: | 1.000 on five occasions |
| Rebounds: | 6 vs. Valparaiso (1-4) |
| Assists: | 6 vs. Georgetown (3-8) |
| Blocked Shots: | 1 on three occasions |
| Steals: | 5 vs. Albany (11-30) |
| Minutes: | 29 vs. Georgetown (3-8) |

Quinn's Career Statistics

| YEAR | G-S | MIN/AVG | FG-FGA | PCT. | 3-Point | | | Rebounds | | | AST. | STL | BLK | PF-D | PTS/AVG | | |
|----------|------|----------|--------|------|---------|------|--------|----------|----|----|------|-----|-----|------|---------|------|---------|
| | | | | | FG-FGA | PCT. | FT-FTA | PCT. | O | D | | | | | | TOT | AVG. |
| 2002-03 | 34-0 | 521/15.3 | 43-90 | .478 | 29-66 | .439 | 16-20 | .800 | 18 | 35 | 53 | 1.6 | 51 | 28 | 3 | 40-0 | 131/3.9 |
| BIG EAST | 16-0 | 210/13.1 | 15-33 | .455 | 10-25 | .400 | 8-10 | .800 | 13 | 7 | 20 | 1.3 | 22 | 12 | 1 | 15-0 | 48/3.0 |
| TOTALS | 34-0 | 521/15.3 | 43-90 | .478 | 29-66 | .439 | 16-20 | .800 | 18 | 35 | 53 | 1.6 | 51 | 28 | 3 | 40-0 | 131/3.9 |
| BIG EAST | 16-0 | 210/12.1 | 15-33 | .455 | 10-25 | .400 | 8-10 | .800 | 13 | 7 | 20 | 1.3 | 22 | 12 | 1 | 15-0 | 48/3.0 |



Omari Peterkin

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6-8 • 260

Sophomore • Forward/Center

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands/Antilles School

AS A SOPHOMORE: Skilled and gifted athlete with great natural ability...has good footwork and hand...will look to become key part of bench rotation this

season...adds tremendous depth to the Irish frontline...has improved all aspects of his game during the past year.

AS A FRESHMAN: Did not see action during the 2002-03 campaign.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Averaged 25.0 points and 15.0 at the Antilles School in St. Thomas during his final scholastic campaign...high school coach was Bruce Marshall...unanimous first-team All-Island honoree...garnered All-Island Interscholastic MVP honors following his junior and senior seasons...named MVP of district in 2002...member of the Virgin Islands Junior National Team for two years...copped MVP honors at the Good Hope Holiday Invitational Basketball Tournament in December of '01...registered a 26-point performance in the championship game and led Antilles to the tournament crown — the first first-ever tournament title in

school history...president of National Honor Society and student council representative...scored 44 points and grabbed 25 rebounds against Ivanna Eudorakean High School, establishing single-game school records for both...three-time participant in the Inter-Island game vs. St. Thomas and St. Croix...one of four children — has an older brother and sister and younger brother...full name is Omari Ajani Peterkin...son of Rupert and Michelle Peterkin...born 12-29-83 in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Russell Carter

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6-4 • 190

Freshman • Guard

Paulsboro, NJ/Paulsboro

AS A FRESHMAN: Athletic and skilled player who gives the Irish depth at guard...adds versatility to the Irish lineup...his athletic skills resemble those of Torrian Jones...will be used primarily in a defensive role in rookie season while continuing to develop his offensive skills...a fearless player on the court.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Enjoyed stellar four-year career at Paulsboro...finished as the school's second all-time leading scorer with 2,287 career points...averaged 30.0 points, 11.2 rebounds and 3.4 assists during final scholastic season in leading Paulsboro to a 24-4 record in 2002-03...named the '03 Boys' Basketball Player of the Year by the *Courier-Post* and *Newark Star Ledger*...two-time South Jersey scoring champion...garnered first-team all-state honors...led his prep team to consecutive NJSIAA South Jersey Group I titles in his junior and senior season...a two-time all-Colonial Conference selection, he helped the Red Raiders capture conference and regional crowns in '03 en route to berth in state finals...his career point total ranks 17th all-time in South Jersey...scored 869 points during his senior year and became just the fifth player in South Jersey boys prep history to lead the region in scoring in back-to-back seasons...established school record for three-point field goals in a game with nine...served as team captain during his junior and senior seasons...hails from an athletic family — father Russell played football at Pittsburgh; cousin Sean Redman played football at Penn State; and uncle George Jamison played football at Cincinnati...full name is Russell Demetrius Carter...oldest of three children...son of Russell and Tina Carter...born 3-30-85 in Frankfurt, Germany.

Colin Falls

6-4 • 200

Freshman • Guard

Park Ridge, IL/Loyola Academy

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AS A FRESHMAN: Talented long-range shooter who is expected to be a key contributor in the Notre Dame lineup this season...will see significant playing minutes at guard following the graduations of Matt Carroll and Dan Miller...has a tremendous shooting touch and range...a versatile and complete player...has demonstrated that his abilities are not just limited to shooting...good ballhandler and versatile athlete...plays well at both ends of the floor...the strength of his game is an offensive threat and scorer...a knowledgeable player with great savvy on the court.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Averaged 25.0 points, 7.0 rebounds and 4.0 assists in final scholastic campaign...a four-year letter winner at Loyola Academy, he finished as the school's all-time leading scorer with 2,045 career points...holder of seven school records — three point field goals made (209), free throws made (548), free throw percentage (.840), rebounds (569), assists (242) and steals (152)...had best performance of prep career in final scholastic season when he poured in 51 points versus Prospect High School...two-time all-state selection...garnered first team all-state honors from the *News Gazette* in '03...a four-time Chicago Catholic League all-conference choice and three-time first-team

honoree...served as team captain in final two scholastic campaigns...averaged 24.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists during his junior year and earned second-team all-state honors...named MVP of the Wheeling Christmas Tournament and Niles West Tournament after leading Loyola to team title during the 2001-02 campaign...named the Chicago Catholic League of the Year as a sophomore after averaging 17.0 points and helping his team to a 23-6 record and regional championship...in the summer of '01, he played with Irish sophomore Rick Cornette on the Illinois Warriors AAU squad that captured the 17-and-under national championship title...played for the East team at EA Sports Roundball Classic and scored eight points...also played in the Chicago Catholic League All-Star game...brother Brendan is a sophomore guard on the Lawrence University basketball team...full name is Colin James Falls...middle child of three children...son of Don and Ann Falls...born 6-9-85 in Chicago, Ill.

Omari Isreal

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Freshman • Forward

Rockville, MD/Our Lady of Good Counsel

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AS A FRESHMAN: Status is questionable for the upcoming season after suffering a torn ACL (anterior cruciate ligament) and undergoing surgery in January of his senior year...will continue rehabilitation during the upcoming campaign...his size gives Notre Dame great flexibility on the court at forward...has good footwork with the versatility to move in and around the basket, but also has the skill to move outside...his style of play and what he can do on the floor is very similar to that of Jordan Cornette.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Scored more than 1,500 points during his four-year prep career at Our Lady of Good Counsel...first four-year starter in school history...also had a career rebounding average of 10.0...had final scholastic campaign shortened after suffering a torn right ACL in January of 2003 and then undergoing surgery...was averaging 12.2 points prior to his injury...earned All-Met honorable mention honors in '03...served as team captain in final season...averaged 18.5 points, 9.0 rebounds and 3.0 blocked shots in his junior season...a second-team honoree on the all-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) in his sophomore and junior seasons...netted 15.0 points and grabbed 8.3 rebounds and blocked 7.0 shots as a sophomore...garnered first-team all-county honors from the *Montgomery County Journal* and *Montgomery County*

Gazette...member of the D.C. Assault AAU Team and led that squad to the championship title at the Charlie Weber Tournament at the University of Maryland in September of 2002...full name is Omari Jumaane Isreal...youngest of three children...son of Clarence and Denise Isreal...born 12-4-84 in Silver Spring, Md.

Dennis Latimore

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Junior • Forward

Halstead, KS/Halstead

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AS A JUNIOR: Transferred to Notre Dame in June of 2003 after playing two seasons at the University of Arizona...will not be eligible to play during the '03-'04 campaign due to NCAA transfer requirements.

AS A SOPHOMORE AT ARIZONA: Was averaging 3.2 points, 3.1 rebounds and 12.0 minutes before voluntarily leaving the team on February 25, 2003...was shooting 51.9 percent from the field...played in 23 games and earned lone career starting appearance on versus Washington State...finished that game with one point and five boards...combined for 15 points and 15 boards in 35 minutes versus both Oregon and Oregon State...scored in double figures for the second time his career against Washington State as he scored 10 points on four-of-seven shooting from the field, in addition to grabbing seven boards...netted six points and grabbed two boards against UCLA...also had five points and two rebounds versus Bruins in first meeting...played 15-plus minutes in seven contests...played a season-high 23 minutes versus Oregon State and logged 20-plus minutes in four games...collected six points, six rebounds in 16 minutes versus Washington...grabbed seven boards against Boston Univeristy...had season-highs of eight points, eight rebounds and two blocked shots versus Davidson...scored seven points in win over Texas...in season opener against Western Kentucky netted seven points and grabbed six rebounds in 21 minutes.

AS A FRESHMAN AT ARIZONA: Averaged 1.9 points and 2.5 rebounds while appearing in 34 contests...scored a career-high 12 points versus California in 18 minutes and connected on four-of-six shots from the field...logged 10-plus minutes in 14 contests and played 20-plus minutes in four games...played a career-best 28 minutes against Oregon...grabbed a career-high nine rebonds versus Illinois...also had eight points and two blocked shots in the contest...scored five points and grabbed seven rebounds in 21 minutes versus Kansas...collected five rebounds against Arizona State in quarterfinals of Pac-10 tournament...scored five points in nine minutes of action against Arizona State...tallied two points and six rebounds versus USC...collected four boards in 13 minutes in contest at Washington...also grabbed four rebounds in game at Washington State...finished with six points and four rebounds versus Valporaiso...two days prior to that contest hauled in eight rebounds against Pepperdine...grabbed four rebounds in seven minutes versus Florida...had two boards and a blocked shot in first career outing versus eventual national champion Maryland.

HIGH SCHOOL AND PERSONAL DATA: Kansas Class 3A Player of the Year as he averaged 24.0 points, 11.0 rebounds, 3.0 assists and 2.0 blocked

shots in senior season (2000-01)...earned Class 3A all-state honors from the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association, *Wichita Eagle* and *Topeka Capitol Journal*...as a junior, was named to the Gatorade Circle of Champions Kansas Player of the Year and *USA Today* Honorable Mention All-America selection after netting 25.0 points, 13.3 rebounds and 2.7 blocked shots...played his sophomore year at Mesa (Ariz.) Mountain View High School...led Mesa to the Class 5A state championship and was a third-team all-state selection...participated in the Sonny Vaccaro Roundball and Coca-Cola Classic in Las Vegas...earned four letters in basketball and one in track...graduated in the top-10 percent of his graduating class...brother Denver Latimore is a tight end on University of Kansas football team...Dennis Marion Latimore...youngest of two children...son of Melinda Latimore...born 9-19-82 in Newton, Kan.

2002-03 Final Results

**Record: 24-10 (Home: 14-2, Away: 4-5, Neutral: 6-2);
BIG EAST Conference 10-6 (T3rd-West Division)
NCAA West Regional (semifinals)**

| ----- Notre Dame High ----- | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|-------------|-----|--------|------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Date | ND (NR) | Opp (NR) | Opponent | ND Result | W-L | Record | BEC | Scorer | Rebounder | Assists | Attendance |
| Nov. 17 | | | IBELMONT | W 76-48 | W1 | 1-0 | | Miller-19 | Cornette-13 | Thomas-9 | 10,689 |
| Nov. 18 | | | @IUPUI | W 89-45 | W2 | 2-0 | | Carroll-26 | Francis-10 | Thomas-11 | 10,255 |
| Nov. 22 | | | BUCKNELL | W 73-42 | W3 | 3-0 | | Thomas-20 | Francis-20 | Thomas-5 | 11,418 |
| Nov. 25 | | | #vs. Furman | W 75-50 | W4 | 4-0 | | 2 with 20 | Francis-9 | Thomas-3 | 1,879 |
| Nov. 26 | | | #vs. Creighton | L 80-75 | L1 | 4-1 | | Thomas-22 | Carroll-10 | Miller-5 | 3,652 |
| Nov. 29 | | | ALBANY | W 90-55 | W1 | 5-1 | | Miller-22 | Francis-15 | Thomas-7 | 10,699 |
| Dec. 2 | | 13/10 | MARQUETTE | W 92-71 | W2 | 6-1 | | Thomas-32 | Francis-13 | Thomas-10 | 11,418 |
| Dec. 7 | | 9/8 | \$vs. Maryland | W 79-67 | W3 | 7-1 | | Francis-20 | Francis-8 | Thomas-9 | 15,778 |
| Dec. 8 | | 2/2 | \$vs. Texas | W 98-92 | W4 | 8-1 | | Francis-21 | Francis-10 | Thomas-8 | 13,209 |
| Dec. 14 | 10/15 | | DEPAUL | W102-71 | W5 | 9-1 | | Carroll-33 | Miller-9 | Thomas-10 | 11,418 |
| Dec. 22 | 9/11 | | CANISIUS | W 93-75 | W6 | 10-1 | | Carroll-25 | 2 with 7 | Thomas-13 | 9,509 |
| Dec. 30 | 6/6 | | VANDERBILT | W 76-63 | W7 | 11-1 | | Thomas-19 | Francis-11 | Thomas-5 | 11,418 |
| Jan. 4 | 6/6 | | %vs. Valparaiso | W 55-53 | W8 | 12-1 | | Carroll-24 | Francis-10 | Thomas-7 | 11,716 |
| Jan. 6 | 5/6 | 6/5 | *at Pittsburgh | L 55-72 | L1 | 12-2 | 0-1 | Carroll-31 | Francis-7 | Thomas-5 | 12,508 |
| Jan. 12 | 5/6 | | SETON HALL | W 74-64 | W1 | 13-2 | 1-1 | Carroll-19 | Carroll-8 | Thomas-4 | 10,891 |
| Jan. 14 | 10/9 | | RUTGERS | W 68-57 | W2 | 14-2 | 2-1 | Carroll-25 | Cornette-7 | Thomas-7 | 11,054 |
| Jan. 18 | 10/9 | 16/16 | at Kentucky | L 73-88 | L1 | 14-3 | | Carroll-29 | Francis-9 | Thomas-6 | 22,778 |
| Jan. 21 | 16/12 | | *at Providence | W 71-65 | W1 | 15-3 | 3-1 | Thomas-23 | Francis-8 | Thomas-6 | 11,843 |
| Jan. 25 | 16/12 | | *at Boston College | WOT101-96 | W2 | 16-3 | 4-1 | Thomas-28 | Cornette-11 | Thomas-7 | 8,606 |
| Jan. 29 | 11/10 | | *WEST VIRGINIA | W 88-69 | W3 | 17-3 | 5-1 | 2 with 18 | Miller-9 | Thomas-7 | 11,418 |
| Feb. 1 | 11/10 | | *GEORGETOWN | W 2OT 93-92 | W4 | 18-3 | 6-1 | Carroll-36 | Miller-11 | Thomas-6 | 11,418 |
| Feb. 5 | 10/10 | | *at Seton Hall | L 72-78 | L1 | 18-4 | 6-2 | Miller-21 | Francis-10 | Thomas-6 | 9,024 |
| Feb. 9 | 10/10 | 4/4 | *PITTSBURGH | W 66-64 | W1 | 19-4 | 7-2 | Thomas-24 | Miller-6 | Thomas-8 | 11,450 |
| Feb. 15 | 10/9 | 17/18 | *at Syracuse | L 80-82 | L1 | 19-5 | 7-3 | Carroll-22 | Miller-9 | Thomas-6 | 32,116 |
| Feb. 18 | 12/10 | | *at West Virginia | W 56-55 | W1 | 20-5 | 8-3 | Carroll-16 | Carroll-10 | Thomas-8 | 5,865 |
| Feb. 22 | 12/10 | | *VIRGINIA TECH | W 98-76 | W2 | 21-5 | 9-3 | Carroll-25 | Jones-9 | Thomas-13 | 11,450 |
| Feb. 24 | 9/10 | NR/24 | *CONNECTICUT | L 79-87 | L1 | 21-6 | 9-4 | Carroll-28 | Francis-9 | Thomas-9 | 11,418 |
| Mar. 1 | 9/10 | | *at Rutgers | L 95-82 | L2 | 21-7 | 9-5 | Thomas-24 | Thomas-9 | Miller-4 | 8,088 |
| Mar. 4 | 16/16 | 12/T12 | *SYRACUSE | L 88-92 | L3 | 21-8 | 9-6 | Carroll-28 | Francis-11 | Thomas-8 | 11,450 |
| Mar. 8 | 16/16 | | *at Georgetown | W 86-80 | W1 | 22-8 | 10-6 | Thomas-29 | Francis-8 | 2 with 6 | 17,875 |

BIG EAST Tournament (Madison Square Garden; New York, N.Y.)

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-------|--|---------------|---------|----|------|--|------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Mar. 12 | 17/19 | | vs St. John's | L 80-83 | L1 | 22-9 | | Francis-19 | Miller-9 | Thomas-9 | 18,832 |
|---------|-------|--|---------------|---------|----|------|--|------------|----------|----------|--------|

NCAA Tournament South First and Second Round (RCA Dome; Indianapolis, IN)

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-------|-------|-------------------|---------|----|------|--|-----------|------------|----------|--------|
| Mar. 20 | 22/20 | | &vs Wis-Milwaukee | W 70-69 | W1 | 23-9 | | Thomas-27 | Francis-14 | Thomas-3 | 21,250 |
| Mar. 22 | 22/20 | 11/10 | &vs Illinois | W 68-60 | W2 | 24-9 | | Miller-23 | Francis-14 | Thomas-5 | 25,767 |

NCAA Tournament West Regional (Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim; Anaheim, CA)

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-------|-----|-------------|---------|----|-------|--|------------|------------|----------|--|
| Mar. 27 | 22/20 | 2/2 | ^vs Arizona | L 71-88 | L1 | 24-10 | | Francis-25 | Francis-10 | Thomas-5 | |
|---------|-------|-----|-------------|---------|----|-------|--|------------|------------|----------|--|

!- Guardians Classic (First Round); @-Guardians Classic (Second Round); #-Guardians Classic (Semifinal/Championship Round-Kansas City, Mo.);

\$-BB&T Classic (Washington, DC); %United Center (Chicago, IL)

*-indicates BIG EAST Conference game

Caps denotes home game

NR - Indicates Notre Dame and opponent national rankings in the Associated Press/USA Today polls at gametime.

2002-03 BIG EAST STATISTICS

BIG EAST West Division Standings

| Team | W | L | PCT. | W | L | PCT. |
|-------------------|----|----|------|----|----|------|
| 1. Boston College | 10 | 6 | .625 | 19 | 12 | .613 |
| Connecticut | 10 | 6 | .625 | 23 | 10 | .697 |
| 3. Providence | 8 | 8 | .500 | 18 | 14 | .563 |
| Villanova | 8 | 8 | .500 | 15 | 16 | .484 |
| 6. St. John's | 7 | 9 | .438 | 21 | 13 | .618 |
| 7. Miami | 4 | 12 | .250 | 11 | 17 | .393 |
| Virginia Tech | 4 | 12 | .250 | 11 | 18 | .379 |

BIG EAST West Division Standings

| Team | W | L | PCT. | W | L | PCT. |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Syracuse | 13 | 3 | .813 | 30 | 5 | .857 |
| Pittsburgh | 13 | 3 | .813 | 28 | 5 | .848 |
| 3. Seton Hall | 10 | 6 | .625 | 17 | 13 | .567 |
| NOTRE DAME | 10 | 6 | .625 | 24 | 10 | .706 |
| 5. Georgetown | 6 | 10 | .375 | 19 | 15 | .559 |
| 6. West Virginia | 5 | 11 | .313 | 14 | 15 | .483 |
| 7. Rutgers | 4 | 12 | .250 | 12 | 16 | .429 |

BIG EAST Team Statistics (All Games)

| Scoring | | | | Field-Goal Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| School | GP | Pts. | PPG | School | FGM | FGA | Pct. |
| Syracuse | 35 | 2785 | 79.6 | Pittsburgh | 893 | 1766 | .506 |
| Connecticut | 33 | 2622 | 79.5 | Syracuse | 1020 | 2146 | .475 |
| Boston College | 31 | 2462 | 79.4 | Boston College | 869 | 1849 | .470 |
| Notre Dame | 34 | 2692 | 79.2 | Connecticut | 964 | 2057 | .469 |
| Georgetown | 34 | 2584 | 76.0 | West Virginia | 710 | 1577 | .450 |
| Pittsburgh | 33 | 2473 | 74.9 | Notre Dame | 917 | 2055 | .446 |
| Villanova | 31 | 2225 | 71.8 | Seton Hall | 733 | 1694 | .433 |
| Providence | 32 | 2284 | 71.4 | Providence | 791 | 1830 | .432 |
| St. John's | 34 | 2418 | 71.1 | Georgetown | 889 | 2062 | .431 |
| Virginia Tech | 29 | 2036 | 70.2 | Miami | 692 | 1627 | .425 |
| Miami | 28 | 1956 | 69.9 | Virginia Tech | 718 | 1694 | .424 |
| Rutgers | 28 | 1894 | 67.6 | Villanova | 764 | 1815 | .421 |
| Seton Hall | 30 | 2029 | 67.6 | St. John's | 859 | 2125 | .404 |
| West Virginia | 29 | 1937 | 66.8 | Rutgers | 674 | 1706 | .395 |

| Scoring Defense | | | | Three-Point FG Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| School | GP | Pts. | PPG | School | 3FG | 3FGA | Pct. |
| Pittsburgh | 33 | 1955 | 59.2 | Connecticut | 196 | 508 | .386 |
| Seton Hall | 30 | 1985 | 66.2 | Notre Dame | 283 | 735 | .385 |
| Providence | 32 | 2162 | 67.6 | Pittsburgh | 208 | 572 | .364 |
| Miami | 28 | 1924 | 68.7 | Villanova | 205 | 585 | .350 |
| St. John's | 34 | 2338 | 68.8 | Virginia Tech | 179 | 512 | .350 |
| Rutgers | 28 | 1932 | 69.0 | Boston College | 185 | 535 | .346 |
| Georgetown | 34 | 2360 | 69.4 | Syracuse | 186 | 540 | .344 |
| West Virginia | 29 | 2017 | 69.6 | West Virginia | 203 | 593 | .342 |
| Syracuse | 35 | 2435 | 69.6 | Miami | 171 | 513 | .333 |
| Villanova | 31 | 2177 | 70.2 | Providence | 206 | 619 | .333 |
| Connecticut | 33 | 2351 | 71.2 | Rutgers | 186 | 559 | .333 |
| Notre Dame | 34 | 2424 | 71.3 | Georgetown | 157 | 479 | .328 |
| Virginia Tech | 29 | 2124 | 73.2 | Seton Hall | 141 | 446 | .316 |
| Boston College | 31 | 2367 | 76.4 | St. John's | 195 | 622 | .314 |

| Rebounding Margin | | | | Free-Throw Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| School | RPG | RAG | Mar. | School | FTM | FTA | Pct. |
| Pittsburgh | 1203 | 984 | +6.6 | Providence | 496 | 637 | .779 |
| Connecticut | 1407 | 1230 | +5.4 | Notre Dame | 575 | 756 | .761 |
| Villanova | 1173 | 1058 | +3.7 | Georgetown | 649 | 874 | .743 |
| Syracuse | 1425 | 1333 | +2.6 | Miami | 401 | 559 | .717 |
| Georgetown | 1325 | 1259 | +1.9 | Villanova | 492 | 689 | .714 |
| Miami | 1017 | 971 | +1.6 | Syracuse | 559 | 806 | .694 |
| St. John's | 1285 | 1231 | +1.6 | Seton Hall | 422 | 609 | .693 |
| Seton Hall | 1080 | 1038 | +1.4 | Boston College | 539 | 780 | .691 |
| Virginia Tech | 1066 | 1031 | +1.6 | Connecticut | 498 | 736 | .677 |
| Boston College | 1116 | 1118 | -0.1 | St. John's | 505 | 756 | .668 |
| Notre Dame | 1303 | 1315 | -0.4 | Virginia Tech | 421 | 633 | .665 |
| Providence | 1110 | 1130 | -0.6 | Rutgers | 360 | 548 | .657 |
| Rutgers | 1015 | 1082 | -2.4 | West Virginia | 314 | 489 | .642 |
| West Virginia | 877 | 1105 | -7.9 | Pittsburgh | 479 | 748 | .640 |

BIG EAST Team Statistics (Conference Games)

| Scoring | | | | Field-Goal Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| School | GP | Pts. | PPG | School | FGM | FGA | Pct. |
| Syracuse | 16 | 1296 | 81.0 | Pittsburgh | 406 | 816 | .498 |
| Notre Dame | 16 | 1257 | 78.6 | Connecticut | 454 | 952 | .477 |
| Connecticut | 16 | 1243 | 77.7 | Boston College | 456 | 959 | .475 |
| Syracuse | 16 | 1229 | 76.8 | Syracuse | 442 | 956 | .462 |
| Villanova | 16 | 1200 | 75.0 | Providence | 385 | 876 | .439 |
| Georgetown | 16 | 1193 | 74.6 | Miami | 388 | 901 | .431 |
| Virginia Tech | 16 | 1163 | 72.7 | Virginia Tech | 402 | 943 | .426 |
| Pittsburgh | 16 | 1156 | 72.2 | Seton Hall | 372 | 874 | .426 |
| Providence | 16 | 1131 | 10.7 | Notre Dame | 414 | 975 | .425 |
| St. John's | 16 | 1092 | 68.2 | Georgetown | 404 | 952 | .424 |
| Miami | 16 | 1084 | 67.8 | West Virginia | 371 | 888 | .418 |
| Rutgers | 16 | 1073 | 67.1 | Villanova | 400 | 973 | .411 |
| West Virginia | 16 | 1066 | 66.6 | Rutgers | 381 | 973 | .392 |
| Seton Hall | 16 | 1065 | 66.6 | St. John's | 384 | 994 | .386 |

| Scoring Defense | | | | Three-Point FG Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| School | GP | Pts. | PPG | School | 3FG | 3FGA | Pct. |
| Pittsburgh | 16 | 985 | 61.6 | Connecticut | 90 | 233 | .386 |
| Seton Hall | 16 | 1051 | 65.7 | Pittsburgh | 110 | 293 | .375 |
| Providence | 16 | 1129 | 70.6 | Boston College | 112 | 301 | .372 |
| Syracuse | 16 | 1132 | 70.8 | Virginia Tech | 99 | 268 | .369 |
| St. John's | 16 | 1132 | 70.8 | Notre Dame | 134 | 368 | .364 |
| Miami | 16 | 1145 | 71.6 | Seton Hall | 79 | 224 | .353 |
| Villanova | 16 | 1166 | 72.9 | Villanova | 115 | 330 | .348 |
| Connecticut | 16 | 1172 | 73.2 | Rutgers | 103 | 308 | .334 |
| West Virginia | 16 | 1175 | 73.4 | West Virginia | 113 | 347 | .326 |
| Rutgers | 16 | 1191 | 74.4 | Miami | 94 | 292 | .322 |
| Notre Dame | 16 | 1224 | 76.5 | Providence | 87 | 873 | .319 |
| Georgetown | 16 | 1227 | 76.7 | Georgetown | 66 | 209 | .316 |
| Boston College | 16 | 1248 | 78.0 | St. John's | 94 | 314 | .299 |
| Virginia Tech | 16 | 1271 | 79.4 | Syracuse | 70 | 244 | .287 |

| Rebounding Margin | | | | Free-Throw Percentage | | | |
|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| School | RPG | RAG | Mar. | School | FTM | FTA | Pct. |
| Connecticut | 667 | 580 | +5.4 | Providence | 274 | 347 | .790 |
| Pittsburgh | 535 | 479 | +3.5 | Notre Dame | 295 | 384 | .768 |
| Seton Hall | 579 | 543 | +2.2 | Villanova | 285 | 382 | .746 |
| Syracuse | 641 | 622 | +1.2 | Miami | 214 | 293 | .730 |
| Villanova | 602 | 587 | +0.9 | Georgetown | 319 | 441 | .723 |
| Boston College | 561 | 552 | +0.6 | Syracuse | 275 | 383 | .718 |
| Virginia Tech | 573 | 568 | +0.3 | Connecticut | 245 | 350 | .700 |
| St. John's | 598 | 594 | +0.2 | Seton Hall | 242 | 346 | .699 |
| Georgetown | 615 | 612 | +0.2 | Boston College | 272 | 389 | .699 |
| Miami | 538 | 536 | +0.1 | West Virginia | 211 | 302 | .699 |
| Notre Dame | 609 | 608 | +0.1 | St. John's | 230 | 337 | .682 |
| Rutgers | 570 | 623 | -3.3 | Virginia Tech | 260 | 384 | .677 |
| Providence | 528 | 582 | -3.4 | Rutgers | 208 | 313 | .665 |
| West Virginia | 503 | 633 | -8.1 | Pittsburgh | 234 | 373 | .627 |

2002-03 BIG EAST STATISTICS

BIG EAST Individual Statistics (All-Games)

Scoring

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>Pts.</i> | <i>PPG</i> |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Troy Bell, BC | 31 | 781 | 25.2 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 34 | 776 | 22.8 |
| 3. Marcus Hatten, SJU | 34 | 756 | 22.2 |
| 4. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 35 | 778 | 22.2 |
| 5. Drew Schifano, WV | 29 | 582 | 20.1 |
| 6. Craig Smith, BC | 31 | 617 | 19.9 |
| 7. Ben Gordon, UC | 33 | 645 | 19.5 |
| 8. Matt Carroll, ND | 34 | 664 | 19.5 |
| 9. Darius Rice, UM | 27 | 506 | 18.7 |
| 10. Chris Thomas, ND | 34 | 637 | 18.7 |

Rebounding

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>Reb.</i> | <i>RPG</i> |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| 1. Emeka Okafor, UC | 33 | 370 | 11.2 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 34 | 352 | 10.4 |
| 3. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 35 | 349 | 10.0 |
| 4. Ryan Gomes, PC | 32 | 311 | 9.7 |
| 5. Hakim Warrick, SU | 35 | 297 | 8.5 |
| 6. Torin Francis | 34 | 284 | 8.4 |
| 7. Craig Smith, BC | 31 | 246 | 7.9 |
| 8. Ricky Wright, VU | 28 | 218 | 7.8 |
| 9. Terry Taylor, VT | 28 | 204 | 7.3 |
| 10. Bryany Matthews, VT | 29 | 206 | 7.1 |

Field-Goal Percentage

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>FGM</i> | <i>FGA</i> | <i>Pct.</i> |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Craig Smith, BC | 241 | 400 | .603 |
| 2. Emeka Okafor, UC | 221 | 381 | .580 |
| 3. Mike Sweetney, GU | 264 | 483 | .547 |
| 4. Hakim Warrick, SU | 197 | 364 | .541 |
| 5. Ryan Gomes, PC | 213 | 397 | .537 |
| 6. Terry Taylor, VT | 162 | 306 | .529 |
| 7. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 277 | 612 | .453 |
| 8. Darius Scifino, WV | 220 | 487 | .453 |
| 9. Ryan Sidney, BC | 164 | 366 | .448 |
| 10. James Jones, UM | 157 | 351 | .447 |

Free-Throw Percentage

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>FTM</i> | <i>FTA</i> | <i>Pct.</i> |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Gerry McNamara, SU | 90 | 99 | .909 |
| 2. Chris Thomas, ND | 135 | 155 | .871 |
| 3. Troy Bell, BC | 227 | 268 | .847 |
| 4. Matt Carroll, ND | 135 | 160 | .844 |
| 5. Gerald Riley, GU | 102 | 121 | .843 |
| 6. Ryan Gomes, PC | 163 | 194 | .840 |
| 7. Andre Barrett, SH | 122 | 145 | .836 |
| 8. James Jones, UM | 118 | 142 | .831 |
| 9. Ricky Shields, RU | 73 | 90 | .811 |
| 10. Ben Gordon, UC | 143 | 177 | .808 |

Three-Point Field-Goal Percentage

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>FGM</i> | <i>FGA</i> | <i>Pct.</i> |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Ben Gordon, UC | 80 | 191 | .419 |
| 2. Gary Buchanan, VU | 88 | 215 | .409 |
| 3. Matt Carroll, ND | 99 | 243 | .407 |
| 4. Troy Bell, BC | 106 | 264 | .402 |
| 5. Ricky Shields, RU | 59 | 150 | .393 |
| 6. Chris Thomas, ND | 80 | 208 | .385 |
| 7. Darius Rice, UM | 67 | 184 | .364 |
| 8. Elijah Ingram, SJ | 70 | 194 | .361 |
| 9. Gerry McNamara, SU | 85 | 238 | .357 |
| 10. Carlos Dixon, VT | 57 | 160 | .356 |

Assists

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>Ast.</i> | <i>APG</i> |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Chris Thomas, ND | 34 | 236 | 6.94 |
| 2. Brandin Knight, UP | 33 | 209 | 6.33 |
| 3. Andre Barrett, SH | 30 | 159 | 5.30 |
| 4. Taliek Brown, UC | 29 | 140 | 4.83 |
| 5. Ben Gordon, UC | 33 | 156 | 4.73 |
| 6. Ryan Sidney, BC | 31 | 144 | 4.65 |
| 7. Gerry McNamara, SU | 35 | 155 | 4.43 |
| 8. Donnie McGrath, PC | 32 | 138 | 4.31 |
| 9. Marcus Hatten, SJ | 34 | 138 | 4.06 |
| 10. Johannes Herber, WV | 29 | 111 | 3.83 |

Steals

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>Steals</i> | <i>SPG</i> |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Marcus Hatten, SJ | 34 | 100 | 2.94 |
| 2. Troy Bell, BC | 31 | 70 | 2.26 |
| 3. Gerry McNamara, SU | 35 | 77 | 2.20 |
| 4. Brandin Knight, UP | 33 | 70 | 2.12 |
| 5. Jerome Coleman, RU | 28 | 52 | 1.86 |
| 6. Chris Thomas, ND | 34 | 62 | 1.82 |
| 7. Sheiku Kabba, PC | 31 | 56 | 1.81 |
| 8. Gerald Riley, GU | 34 | 60 | 1.76 |
| 9. Ryan Gomes, PC | 32 | 55 | 1.72 |
| 10. Mike Sherrod, RU | 28 | 48 | 1.71 |

Blocked Shots

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>Blocks</i> | <i>BPG</i> |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Emeka Okafor, UC | 33 | 156 | 4.73 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 34 | 109 | 3.21 |
| 3. Marcus Douthit, PC | 32 | 97 | 3.03 |
| 4. Herve Lamizaz, RU | 28 | 83 | 2.96 |
| 5. Jeremy McNeil, SU | 35 | 100 | 2.86 |
| 6. Jordan Cornette, ND | 34 | 75 | 2.21 |
| 7. James Jones, MU | 28 | 50 | 1.79 |
| 8. Torin Francis, ND | 34 | 60 | 1.76 |
| 9. Kevin Pittsnogle, WV | 29 | 39 | 1.34 |
| 10. Hakim Warrick, SU | 35 | 44 | 1.26 |

Three-Point Field Goals Made

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>GP</i> | <i>FGM</i> | <i>3FG/G</i> |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| 1. Troy Bell, BC | 31 | 106 | 3.42 |
| 2. Gary Buchanan, VU | 26 | 88 | 3.38 |
| 3. Matt Carroll, ND | 34 | 99 | 2.91 |
| 4. Jerome Coleman, RU | 28 | 72 | 2.57 |
| 5. Darius Rice, UM | 27 | 67 | 2.48 |
| 6. Gerry McNamara, SU | 35 | 85 | 2.43 |
| 7. Ben Gordon, UC | 33 | 85 | 2.42 |
| 8. Chris Thomas, ND | 34 | 80 | 2.35 |
| 9. Carlos Dixon, VT | 25 | 57 | 2.28 |
| 10. Ricky Shields, RU | 28 | 59 | 2.11 |

Assist-Turnover Ratio

| <i>Player, School</i> | <i>Ast.</i> | <i>TO</i> | <i>A/TO</i> |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Brandin Knight, UP | 209 | 101 | 2.07 |
| 2. Taliek Brown, UC | 140 | 70 | 2.00 |
| 3. Louis Hinnant, BC | 98 | 52 | 1.88 |
| 4. Mike Sherrod, RU | 95 | 51 | 1.86 |
| 5. Gerry McNamara, SU | 155 | 85 | 1.82 |
| 6. Donnie McGrath, PC | 138 | 76 | 1.82 |
| 7. Tony Bethel, GU | 121 | 70 | 1.73 |
| 8. Derrick Snowden, VU | 108 | 64 | 1.69 |
| 9. Chris Thomas, ND | 236 | 142 | 1.66 |
| 10. Johannes Herber, WV | 111 | 68 | 1.63 |

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BIG EAST Individual Statistics (Conference Games)

Scoring

| Player, School | GP | Pts. | PPG |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Troy Bell, BC | 16 | 444 | 27.8 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 16 | 401 | 25.1 |
| 3. Marcus Hatten, SJ | 16 | 379 | 23.7 |
| 4. Matt Carroll, ND | 16 | 351 | 21.9 |
| 5. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 16 | 342 | 21.4 |
| 6. Drew Schifino, WV | 16 | 340 | 21.2 |
| 7. Darius Rice, UM | 15 | 315 | 21.0 |
| 8. Chris Thomas, ND | 16 | 315 | 19.7 |
| Ben Gordon, UC | 16 | 315 | 19.7 |
| 10. Craig Smith, BC | 16 | 306 | 19.1 |

Rebounding

| Player, School | GP | Reb. | RPG |
|------------------------|----|------|------|
| 1. Mike Sweetney, GU | 16 | 182 | 11.4 |
| 2. Emeka Okafor, UC | 16 | 163 | 10.2 |
| 3. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 16 | 161 | 10.1 |
| 4. Hakim Warrick, SU | 16 | 146 | 9.1 |
| 5. Ryan Gomes, PC | 16 | 136 | 8.5 |
| 6. Ricky Wright, VU | 15 | 121 | 8.1 |
| 7. Craig Smith, BC | 16 | 127 | 7.9 |
| 8. Bryant Matthews, VT | 16 | 117 | 7.3 |
| 9. Kelly Whitney, SH | 16 | 114 | 7.1 |
| 10. Terry Taylor, VT | 15 | 102 | 6.8 |

Field-Goal Percentage

| Player, School | FGM | FGA | Pct. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| 1. Emeka Okafor, UC | 106 | 181 | .586 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 135 | 243 | .556 |
| 3. Craig Smith, BC | 122 | 221 | .552 |
| 4. Hakim Warrick, SU | 84 | 154 | .545 |
| 5. Terry Taylor, VT | 93 | 172 | .541 |
| 6. Ryan Gomes, PC | 104 | 205 | .507 |
| 7. Troy Bell, BC | 124 | 266 | .466 |
| 8. Ben Gordon, UC | 102 | 220 | .464 |
| 9. Ryan Sidney, BC | 82 | 179 | .458 |
| 10. Gary Buchanan, VU | 78 | 178 | .438 |

Free-Throw Percentage

| Player, School | FGM | FGA | Pct. |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Gerry McNamara, SU | 53 | 55 | .964 |
| 2. Andre Barrett, SH | 63 | 71 | .887 |
| 3. Randy Foye, VU | 41 | 47 | .872 |
| 4. James Jones, UM | 79 | 92 | .859 |
| 5. Matt Carroll, ND | 73 | 86 | .849 |
| 6. Chris Thomas, ND | 73 | 86 | .846 |
| 7. Darius Rice, UM | 60 | 71 | .845 |
| 8. Troy Bell, BC | 134 | 159 | .843 |
| 9. Gerald Riley, GU | 53 | 64 | .828 |
| 10. Ricky Shields, RU | 43 | 52 | .827 |

Three-Point Field-Goal Percentage

| Player, School | FGM | FGA | Pct. |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Brian Chase, VT | 28 | 60 | .467 |
| 2. Andre Barrett, SH | 38 | 83 | .458 |
| 3. Troy Bell, BC | 62 | 144 | .431 |
| 4. Gary Buchanan, VU | 52 | 122 | .426 |
| 5. Matt Carroll, ND | 57 | 134 | .425 |
| 6. Ben Gordon, UC | 37 | 92 | .402 |
| 7. Darius Rice, UM | 43 | 115 | .374 |
| 8. Chris Thomas, ND | 38 | 110 | .345 |
| 9. Gerry McNamara, SU | 35 | 108 | .324 |
| 10. Jerome Coleman, RU | 39 | 132 | .295 |

Assists

| Player, School | GP | Ast. | APG |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Chris Thomas, ND | 16 | 108 | 6.75 |
| 2. Brandin Knight, UP | 16 | 97 | 6.06 |
| 3. Ben Gordon, UC | 16 | 92 | 5.75 |
| 4. Andre Barrett, SH | 16 | 85 | 5.31 |
| 5. Marcus Hatten, SJ | 16 | 78 | 4.88 |
| 6. Ryan Sidney, BC | 16 | 76 | 4.75 |
| 7. Gerry McNamara, SU | 16 | 74 | 4.62 |
| 8. Donnie Mcgrath, PC | 16 | 67 | 4.19 |
| 9. Johannes Herber, WV | 16 | 64 | 4.00 |
| 10. Troy Bell, BC | 16 | 63 | 3.94 |

Steals

| Player, School | GP | Steals | SPG |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Marcus Hatten, SJ | 16 | 45 | 2.81 |
| 2. Derrick Snowden, VU | 16 | 36 | 2.25 |
| 3. Troy Bell, BC | 16 | 33 | 2.06 |
| 4. Carlos Dixon, VT | 12 | 24 | 2.00 |
| 5. Gerry McNamara, SU | 16 | 31 | 1.94 |
| Tony Bethel, GU | 16 | 31 | 1.94 |
| 7. Chris Thomas, ND | 16 | 30 | 1.88 |
| Sheiku Kabba, PC | 16 | 30 | 1.88 |
| 9. Robb Sanders, PC | 16 | 28 | 1.87 |
| 10. Jaron Brown, UP | 16 | 28 | 1.75 |
| Brandin Knight, UP | 16 | 28 | 1.75 |

Blocked Shots

| Player, School | GP | Blocks | BPG |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Emeka Okafor, UC | 16 | 71 | 4.44 |
| 2. Mike Sweetney, GU | 16 | 57 | 3.56 |
| Marcus Douthit, PC | 16 | 57 | 3.56 |
| 4. Jeremy McNeil, SU | 16 | 44 | 2.75 |
| 5. Herve Lamizana, RU | 16 | 40 | 2.50 |
| 6. Jordan Cornette, ND | 16 | 31 | 1.94 |
| 7. James Jones, UM | 16 | 24 | 1.50 |
| 8. Torin Francis, ND | 16 | 23 | 1.44 |
| 9. Carmelo Anthony, SU | 16 | 22 | 1.38 |
| 10. Kevin Pittsnogle, WV | 16 | 20 | 1.25 |
| Hakim Warrick, SU | 16 | 20 | 1.25 |

Three-Point Field Goals Made

| Player, School | GP | FGM | 3FG/G |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Troy Bell, BC | 16 | 62 | 3.88 |
| 2. Matt Carroll, ND | 16 | 57 | 3.56 |
| 3. Gary Buchana, VU | 15 | 52 | 3.47 |
| 4. Darius Rice, UM | 15 | 43 | 2.87 |
| 5. Jerome Coleman, RU | 16 | 39 | 2.44 |
| 6. Andre Barrett, SH | 16 | 38 | 2.38 |
| Chris Thomas, ND | 16 | 38 | 2.38 |
| 8. Ben Gordon, UC | 16 | 37 | 2.31 |
| 9. Gerry McNamara, SU | 16 | 35 | 2.19 |
| 10. Brian Chase, VT | 14 | 28 | 2.00 |

Assist-Turnover Ratio

| Player, School | Ast. | TO | A/TO |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. Gerry McNamara, SU | 74 | 38 | 1.65 |
| 2. Louis Hinnant, BC | 56 | 31 | 1.81 |
| 3. Johannes Herbert, WV | 64 | 37 | 1.73 |
| 4. Derrick Snowden, VU | 49 | 29 | 1.69 |
| 5. Chris Thomas, ND | 108 | 64 | 1.69 |
| 6. Brandin Knight, UP | 97 | 59 | 1.64 |
| 7. Ryan Sidney, BC | 76 | 47 | 1.62 |
| 8. Troy Bell, BC | 63 | 40 | 1.58 |
| 9. Andre Barrett, SH | 85 | 54 | 1.57 |
| 10. Ben Gordon, UC | 92 | 59 | 1.56 |

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| <i>Opponent</i> | <i>Overall</i> | | <i>3-Point</i> | | <i>FT-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | <i>O-D-Tot.</i> | <i>PF</i> | <i>A</i> | <i>TO</i> | <i>B</i> | <i>S</i> | <i>Pts</i> |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | <i>FG-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | <i>FG-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Belmont | 18-64 | .281 | 8-24 | .333 | 4-8 | .500 | 14-26-40 | 18 | 12 | 17 | 0 | 10 | 48 |
| Notre Dame | 25-56 | .446 | 10-23 | .435 | 16-23 | .696 | 8-35-43 | 13 | 18 | 13 | 19 | 14 | 76 |
| IUPUI | 18-74 | .243 | 4-15 | .267 | 5-11 | .455 | 27-22-49 | 23 | 10 | 17 | 3 | 6 | 45 |
| Notre Dame | 34-62 | .548 | 8-16 | .500 | 13-21 | .619 | 12-34-46 | 16 | 25 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 89 |
| Bucknell | 12-57 | .211 | 3-18 | .167 | 15-24 | .625 | 12-25-37 | 18 | 5 | 20 | 4 | 9 | 42 |
| Notre Dame | 28-59 | .475 | 5-14 | .357 | 12-16 | .750 | 9-38-47 | 21 | 13 | 19 | 7 | 11 | 73 |
| Furman | 20-50 | .400 | 1-9 | .111 | 9-12 | .750 | 8-23-31 | 15 | 13 | 16 | 6 | 7 | 50 |
| Notre Dame | 26-60 | .433 | 8-12 | .667 | 15-19 | .789 | 11-22-33 | 13 | 9 | 13 | 5 | 14 | 75 |
| Creighton | 31-50 | .620 | 10-17 | .588 | 8-21 | .381 | 9-27-36 | 19 | 21 | 13 | 5 | 5 | 80 |
| Notre Dame | 29-64 | .453 | 6-24 | .250 | 11-20 | .550 | 11-18-29 | 23 | 13 | 11 | 2 | 12 | 75 |
| Albany | 19-62 | .306 | 8-21 | .381 | 9-13 | .692 | 13-24-37 | 11 | 14 | 20 | 1 | 8 | 55 |
| Notre Dame | 35-69 | .507 | 13-29 | .448 | 7-11 | .636 | 12-31-43 | 16 | 23 | 14 | 7 | 14 | 90 |
| Marquette | 27-63 | .429 | 5-17 | .294 | 12-15 | .800 | 8-22-30 | 24 | 12 | 13 | 5 | 5 | 71 |
| Notre Dame | 33-66 | .500 | 12-30 | .400 | 14-23 | .609 | 16-28-44 | 18 | 18 | 12 | 2 | 8 | 92 |
| Maryland | 26-70 | .371 | 4-17 | .235 | 11-15 | .733 | 16-31-47 | 18 | 10 | 14 | 6 | 8 | 67 |
| Notre Dame | 28-63 | .444 | 7-23 | .304 | 16-21 | .762 | 7-30-37 | 19 | 20 | 10 | 4 | 8 | 79 |
| Texas | 34-82 | .415 | 14-25 | .560 | 10-13 | .769 | 18-28-46 | 24 | 21 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 92 |
| Notre Dame | 33-72 | .458 | 13-27 | .481 | 19-23 | .826 | 14-31-45 | 14 | 19 | 9 | 10 | 5 | 98 |
| DePaul | 25-69 | .362 | 5-17 | .294 | 16-22 | .727 | 16-19-35 | 28 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 71 |
| Notre Dame | 30-50 | .600 | 3-14 | .214 | 39-43 | .907 | 3-29-32 | 19 | 22 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 102 |
| Canisius | 30-83 | .361 | 7-26 | .269 | 8-11 | .727 | 24-21-45 | 16 | 15 | 11 | 2 | 11 | 75 |
| Notre Dame | 34-60 | .567 | 12-26 | .462 | 13-16 | .813 | 6-31-37 | 14 | 26 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 93 |
| Vanderbilt | 21-62 | .339 | 5-21 | .238 | 16-21 | .762 | 12-29-41 | 25 | 12 | 19 | 7 | 12 | 63 |
| Notre Dame | 25-59 | .424 | 5-17 | .294 | 21-29 | .724 | 9-32-41 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 5 | 10 | 76 |
| Valparaiso | 19-56 | .339 | 5-15 | .333 | 10-15 | .667 | 12-20-32 | 10 | 15 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 55 |
| Notre Dame | 20-46 | .435 | 7-17 | .412 | 8-10 | .800 | 7-28-35 | 13 | 16 | 13 | 5 | 2 | 53 |
| Pittsburgh | 29-55 | .527 | 3-12 | .250 | 11-25 | .440 | 15-36-51 | 20 | 19 | 20 | 5 | 6 | 72 |
| Notre Dame | 20-63 | .317 | 7-26 | .269 | 8-15 | .533 | 11-19-30 | 24 | 14 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 55 |
| Seton Hall | 25-71 | .352 | 6-23 | .261 | 8-9 | .889 | 24-19-43 | 24 | 13 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 64 |
| Notre Dame | 23-55 | .418 | 6-20 | .300 | 22-29 | .759 | 17-23-40 | 10 | 8 | 13 | 2 | 7 | 74 |
| Rutgers | 24-62 | .387 | 4-11 | .364 | 5-9 | .556 | 15-19-34 | 18 | 17 | 9 | 3 | 9 | 57 |
| Notre Dame | 19-43 | .442 | 8-19 | .421 | 22-23 | .957 | 5-25-30 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 9 | 4 | 68 |
| Kentucky | 34-65 | .532 | 2-9 | .222 | 18-23 | .783 | 10-31-41 | 20 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 88 |
| Notre Dame | 22-64 | .344 | 6-19 | .316 | 23-28 | .821 | 13-21-34 | 16 | 19 | 13 | 3 | 4 | 73 |
| Providence | 22-57 | .386 | 5-15 | .333 | 16-19 | .842 | 13-24-37 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 4 | 4 | 65 |
| Notre Dame | 23-54 | .426 | 4-19 | .211 | 21-25 | .840 | 8-23-31 | 17 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 71 |
| Boston College | 38-78 | .487 | 7-17 | .412 | 13-19 | .684 | 15-33-48 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 6 | 4 | 96 |
| Notre Dame | 30-72 | .417 | 10-19 | .526 | 31-42 | .738 | 15-29-44 | 15 | 18 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 101 |
| West Virginia | 25-55 | .455 | 8-24 | .333 | 11-19 | .579 | 6-21-27 | 22 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 5 | 69 |
| Notre Dame | 28-69 | .406 | 8-25 | .320 | 24-27 | .889 | 22-29-51 | 13 | 17 | 14 | 3 | 7 | 88 |
| Georgetown | 30-70 | .429 | 6-11 | .545 | 26-34 | .765 | 13-34-47 | 30 | 20 | 16 | 9 | 7 | 92 |
| Notre Dame | 25-67 | .373 | 8-27 | .296 | 35-44 | .795 | 14-31-45 | 25 | 18 | 17 | 5 | 8 | 93 |
| Seton Hall | 30-57 | .526 | 5-7 | .714 | 13-20 | .650 | 8-19-27 | 14 | 17 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 78 |
| Notre Dame | 27-62 | .435 | 7-20 | .350 | 11-13 | .846 | 17-21-38 | 20 | 14 | 16 | 3 | 8 | 72 |
| Pittsburgh | 24-52 | .462 | 9-22 | .409 | 7-10 | .700 | 8-25-33 | 13 | 18 | 13 | 1 | 7 | 64 |
| Notre Dame | 27-52 | .519 | 7-16 | .438 | 5-10 | .500 | 4-22-26 | 14 | 20 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 66 |
| Syracuse | 32-72 | .444 | 3-17 | .176 | 15-21 | .714 | 15-23-38 | 18 | 18 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 82 |
| Notre Dame | 25-54 | .463 | 12-26 | .462 | 18-26 | .692 | 9-28-37 | 18 | 16 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 80 |
| West Virginia | 21-52 | .404 | 7-16 | .438 | 6-8 | .750 | 4-25-29 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 55 |
| Notre Dame | 23-60 | .383 | 6-18 | .333 | 4-7 | .571 | 14-28-42 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 4 | 7 | 56 |
| Virginia Tech | 27-63 | .429 | 8-17 | .471 | 14-20 | .700 | 10-18-28 | 18 | 22 | 12 | 4 | 7 | 76 |
| Notre Dame | 36-65 | .554 | 11-26 | .423 | 15-19 | .789 | 13-30-43 | 16 | 26 | 14 | 6 | 9 | 98 |

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| <i>Opponent</i> | <i>Overall</i> | | <i>3-Point</i> | | <i>FT-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | <i>Q-D-Tot.</i> | <i>PF</i> | <i>A</i> | <i>TO</i> | <i>B</i> | <i>S</i> | <i>Pts</i> |
|---------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| | <i>FG-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | <i>FG-A</i> | <i>Pct.</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut | 31-72 | .431 | 9-19 | .474 | 16-23 | .696 | 15-36-51 | 20 | 15 | 12 | 9 | 4 | 87 |
| Notre Dame | 28-76 | .368 | 9-22 | .409 | 14-20 | .700 | 15-27-42 | 15 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 79 |
| Rutgers | 35-65 | .538 | 11-18 | .611 | 14-18 | .778 | 13-23-36 | 20 | 20 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 95 |
| Notre Dame | 23-61 | .377 | 8-27 | .296 | 28-36 | .778 | 17-18-35 | 17 | 11 | 11 | 3 | 5 | 82 |
| Syracuse | 41-73 | .562 | 5-11 | .455 | 5-8 | .625 | 9-31-40 | 17 | 18 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 92 |
| Notre Dame | 31-71 | .437 | 12-34 | .353 | 14-19 | .737 | 12-25-37 | 13 | 25 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 88 |
| Georgetown | 30-78 | .385 | 6-16 | .375 | 14-20 | .700 | 22-17-39 | 24 | 16 | 14 | 4 | 11 | 80 |
| Notre Dame | 26-51 | .510 | 11-24 | .458 | 23-29 | .793 | 9-29-38 | 20 | 15 | 22 | 6 | 9 | 86 |
| St. John's | 32-69 | .464 | 10-20 | .500 | 9-13 | .692 | 20-18-38 | 18 | 15 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 83 |
| Notre Dame | 28-56 | .500 | 8-16 | .500 | 16-21 | .762 | 13-18-31 | 12 | 19 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 80 |
| Wisconsin-Milwaukee | 23-66 | .348 | 8-23 | .348 | 15-20 | .750 | 14-23-37 | 25 | 15 | 14 | 3 | 11 | 69 |
| Notre Dame | 23-54 | .426 | 3-13 | .231 | 21-25 | .840 | 11-33-44 | 19 | 7 | 20 | 6 | 6 | 70 |
| Illinois | 22-63 | .349 | 5-17 | .294 | 11-16 | .688 | 10-31-41 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 60 |
| Notre Dame | 25-61 | .410 | 13-24 | .542 | 5-5 | 1.000 | 5-32-37 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 68 |
| Arizona | 36-76 | .474 | 7-14 | .500 | 9-11 | .818 | 14-30-44 | 17 | 19 | 10 | 5 | 12 | 88 |
| Notre Dame | 25-59 | .424 | 10-23 | .435 | 11-18 | .611 | 9-27-36 | 16 | 15 | 19 | 4 | 6 | 71 |