

Opponents



Devereaux Peters and her Fighting Irish teammates will play six games against other 2008 NCAA Sweet 16 qualifiers, including nationally-televised visits to Final Four participants LSU (Nov. 16) and Connecticut (Feb. 22).

2008-09 Opponents

Boston College Eagles

Sunday, Nov. 23 • 2 p.m. ET
Chestnut Hill, Mass. • Conte Forum
Notre Dame Leads Series 11-5



Location: Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Founded: 1863
Enrollment: 14,500
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Atlantic Coast
Arena (Capacity): Silvio O. Conte Forum (8,606)

Athletics Director: Gene DeFilippo
Head Coach: Sylvia Crawley (North Carolina '94)
Record at BC (Yrs.): First Year
Career Record (Yrs.): 38-25 (2)
Assistants: Stephanie Lawrence Yelton (North Carolina '96), Geoff Lanier (Southern Connecticut State '92), Angelita Forte (West Liberty State '99)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 21-12 (7-7/7th)
Postseason: WNIT third round (d. Vermont 76-64; l. St. John's 65-56)
Final Ranking: None
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Ayla Brown (G, Jr., 6-0); Brittany Johnson (G, Sr., 5-8); Jaclyn Thoman (G, So., 5-9); Stefanie Murphy (F, So, 6-4); Carolyn Swords (C, So., 6-6)

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Notes: This year's game marks the back half of a home-and-home series between the former BIG EAST Conference rivals ... last year's 88-58 Notre Dame win was the largest for the Irish in the 16-game series, and the most points they had scored against Boston College since Feb. 12, 1997 (91-64 win in South Bend) ... Notre Dame went 10-3 against BC when both schools were members of the BIG EAST from 1995-96 through 2005-06 ... the Irish are 3-4 all-time at Conte Forum, but are coming off a win in their last visit to Chestnut Hill (54-47 on Feb. 15, 2005) ... Notre Dame is 39-16 (.709) all-time against ACC opponents, with a 21-12 (.636) record away from home ... the last time the Irish visited an ACC campus (other than BC or other recently-transplanted BIG EAST schools Virginia Tech and Miami-Fla.) was Nov. 22, 1997, when the Irish dropped an 80-62 decision at No. 19 Duke ... Notre Dame sophomore forward Devereaux Peters and Boston College senior guard Brittany Johnson were teammates at national powerhouse Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Ill., for the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons ... Irish athletic trainer Anne Marquez is a native of Framingham, Mass.

Current Irish vs. Boston College

Barlow	1 GP/1 GS, 13.0 PPG, 7.0 RPG, 4.0 SPG, .444 FG% (4-9), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 10.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, .800 FG% (4-5)
Lechlitner	1 GP, 2.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 2.0 SPG, .167 FG% (1-6)
Mallory	1 GP, 13.0 PPG, 3.0 SPG, .400 FG% (4-10), .333 3FG% (2-6), .750 FT% (3-4)
Peters	1 GP, 4.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, 3.0 SPG, 1.0 BPG, .500 FG% (2-4)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 22.5 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 2.0 SPG, .522 FG% (19-35)
Williamson	1 GP, 5.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .333 FG% (2-6)

Charlotte 49ers

Sunday, Dec. 28 • 2 p.m. ET
Charlotte, N.C. • Halton Arena
First meeting



Location: Charlotte, NC
Founded: 1946
Enrollment: 22,254
Colors: Green and White
Conference: Atlantic 10
Arena (Capacity): Halton Arena (9,105)

Athletics Director: Judy Rose
Head Coach: Karen Aston (Arkansas-Little Rock '87)
Record at CHAR (Yrs.): 18-14 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Angela Ortega (Northwestern State '89), Ken Griffin (Voorhees '94), Krystion Nelson (Charlotte '05)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 18-13 (9-5/T-4th)
Postseason: WNIT first round (l.VCU, 80-67)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 4/1
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Danielle Burgin (C, Sr., 6-5); Traci Ray (G, Sr., 5-5); Erin Floyd (F, Jr., 6-0), Shannon McCallum (G, So., 5-10)

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Notes: Charlotte is the second of two first-time opponents for Notre Dame this season, following the Nov. 25 matchup with Georgia Southern (see Georgia Southern opponent sketch for information on ND vs. first-time opponents) ... for the third consecutive year, the Irish will face an Atlantic 10 Conference opponent, having swept a home-and-home series with Richmond the past two seasons (87-66 at the Joyce Center in 2006-07, 84-59 at UR last year) ... the Irish are 64-18 (.780) all-time against the current A-10 alignment, including a 35-10 (.778) record outside of South Bend ... Notre Dame is making its first trip to the state of North Carolina since Nov. 22, 1997, when the Irish dropped an 80-62 verdict at No. 19 Duke ... Notre Dame is 10-2 (.833) all-time against teams from the Tar Heel State, with a 7-2 (.778) record away from home ... the last time the Irish faced a North Carolina school, it was the state's flagship institution as UNC fought back a stiff challenge from Notre Dame to post a 60-51 win in the second round of the 2007 NCAA Tournament in Pittsburgh ... the Irish actually have played in the city of Charlotte before, defeating Davidson, 85-37, way back on Jan. 4, 1981 (16 days before Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as the country's 40th president and more than a year before Muffet McGraw took her first collegiate head coaching job at Lehigh University) ... Notre Dame junior center Erica Williamson is a resident of Charlotte, having moved to the city with her family from Rochester, N.Y., in the summer of 2005 when her father took a job with one of the city's primary employers, Bank of America ... Williamson graduated from Charlotte's South Mecklenburg High School in 2006 and in her one year at the school, she helped the Lady Sabres post a 27-3 record and win the North Carolina Class 4A title (the school's first crown in 20 years); Williamson scored 13 points in the title game and was named the Western Regional MVP.

Cincinnati Bearcats

Sunday, Jan. 31 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 4-0



Location: Cincinnati, Ohio
Founded: 1819
Enrollment: 35,244
Colors: Red and Black
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Fifth Third Arena (13,176)

Athletics Director: Mike Thomas
Head Coach: J. Kelley Hall (Troy '82)
Record at UC (Yrs.): 12-16 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): 94-78 (6)
Associate Head Coach: Todd Schaefer (Thomas More '95)
Assistants: George Tuttle (Texas '90), Tari Cummings (Oklahoma State '03)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 12-16 (3-13/T-14th)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kahla Roudebush (G, Jr., 5-8); Shelly Bellman (G, Jr., 5-10); Jill Stephens (F, Sr., 6-3); Michelle Jones (F, Jr., 6-1)

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Notes: Notre Dame has won all three games against Cincinnati since the schools renewed their series in 2006 after a 24-year hiatus, thanks to the Bearcats joining the BIG EAST Conference ... last year's 73-41 Irish win was the largest in the four-game series (none of the other three contests had been decided by more than 11 points) ... in that game, Notre Dame also reeled off 21 unanswered points, its longest streak of uninterrupted points since Dec. 13, 2003 (26-0 run vs. Dayton in South Bend) ... UC's last visit to the Joyce Center (an 81-70 Irish victory on Jan. 10, 2007) was its first since Feb. 13, 1982 ... Notre Dame junior guards Ashley Barlow and Melissa Lechlitner were members of the 2005 Indiana Junior All-Star Team that played the Indiana Senior All-Stars (featuring UC redshirt junior guard Kahla Roudebush from Noblesville, Ind.) in a hard-fought two-game exhibition series won by the seniors ... the city of Cincinnati remains home to one of the landmark moments in Irish women's basketball history, as Notre Dame played in its first NCAA Final Four on March 29, 1997 at Riverfront Coliseum, falling to eventual national champion Tennessee, 80-66 ... the Irish maintain a presence in the city of Cincinnati, with former Notre Dame assistant coach Kevin McGuff now in his seventh season as the head coach at Xavier; second-year Irish assistant coach Niele Ivey previously worked on McGuff's staff as an administrative assistant from 2005-07.

Current Irish vs. Cincinnati

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 9.0 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 2.0 APG, .333 FG% (5-15), .500 3FG% (2-4)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 0.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .000 FG% (0-1)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 2.5 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 2.0 APG, .167 FG% (2-12), .000 3FG% (0-4)
Mallory	1 GP, 7.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 1.0 SPG, .500 3FG% (1-2), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Peters	1 GP, 12.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .625 FG% (5-8), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 9.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, .500 FG% (7-14), .667 FT% (4-6)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 6.5 PPG, 7.5 RPG, .600 FG% (3-5), .778 FT% (7-9)



Connecticut Huskies

Sunday, Feb. 22 • 2 p.m. ET
Hartford, Conn. • XL Center
Connecticut Leads Series 21-4



Location: Storrs, Conn.
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 28,481
Colors: National Flag Blue (Navy) and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Arenas (Capacities): Gampel Pavilion (10,167); XL Center (16,294)

Athletics Director: Jeffrey Hathaway
Head Coach: Geno Auriemma (West Chester '81)
Record at UConn (Yrs.): 657-122 (23)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Associate Head Coach: Chris Dailey (Rutgers '82)
Assistants: Jamelle Elliott (Connecticut '96), Shea Ralph (Connecticut '01)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 36-2 (15-1/1st)
Postseason: NCAA Final Four (d. Cornell, 89-47; d. Texas, 89-55; d. Old Dominion, 78-63; d. Rutgers, 66-56; l. Stanford, 82-73)
Final Ranking: 1st (AP)/3rd (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Tina Charles (C, Jr., 6-4); Renee Montgomery (G, Sr., 5-7); Maya Moore (F, So., 6-0)

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Notes: All four Notre Dame wins in the series have come since the start of the 2000-01 season ... UConn is one of three BIG EAST opponents that has a winning series record against Notre Dame; the others are DePaul (18-12) and Rutgers (15-9) ... the Irish have held the Huskies to less than 70 points in five of the past eight series meetings ... Connecticut is one of 11 other former or current NCAA champions Notre Dame has faced in its history (and one of two in 2008-09, along with 1999 titleist Purdue). The Irish are 25-74 (.253) all-time against schools that have hoisted the hardware (either before or after they won the title), with records of .500 or better against USC (7-2), North Carolina (2-1) and Texas (1-1). The only NCAA winner the Irish have never played is '05 champion Baylor ... since 1998-99, Connecticut has lost by 15-plus points seven times, with three of those losses coming to Notre Dame (twice in 2000-01, once in 2003-04) ... the Irish are one of four teams to defeat UConn at least three times in the past 12 seasons (1995-96 through 2006-07); the others are Tennessee (nine), Rutgers (six) and North Carolina (three) ... either one or both participants has been ranked in all 25 series contests, with both teams ranked 14 times ... the 2001 BIG EAST Championship game between the clubs (won by Connecticut, 78-76 on Sue Bird's buzzer-beating jumper) earned an 0.96 Nielsen rating on ESPN2, making it (at the time) that network's most-watched women's basketball game ever; it also was selected as the first-ever "Instant Classic" women's basketball game by ESPN Classic ... the two head coaches — Notre Dame's Muffet McGraw and Connecticut's Geno Auriemma — have more than a few ties: both hail from the Philadelphia metro area (McGraw from West Chester, Auriemma from Norristown), both cut their coaching teeth in the region (including separate stints as assistant coaches at Saint Joseph's under current Ohio State mentor Jim Foster), and both are currently serving on the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Board of Directors — Auriemma as vice president and McGraw as NCAA Division I Legislative Chair ... Notre Dame junior guard Melissa Lechlitner and Connecticut senior forward Cassie Kerns developed their game with the Indiana Elite AAU program that is based at Midwest Basketball Academy in Mishawaka, Ind.

Current Irish vs. Connecticut

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 9.5 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 2.0 SPG, .304 FG% (7-23), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 7.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 SPG, 1.000 FG% (1-1), 1.000 FT% (5-5)
Lechlitner	2 GR, 3.5 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .300 FG% (3-10)
Mallory	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .250 FG% (1-4), .333 3FG% (1-3)
Peters	1 GP, 10.0 PPG, 12.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, 1.0 BPG, .333 FG% (3-9), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Schrader	3 GP/3 GS, 10.3 PPG (31), 2.7 RPG (8), 3.0 APG (9), .433 FG% (13-30), .714 FT% (5-7)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 6.0 PPG, 5.5 RPG, .364 FG% (4-11)

DePaul Blue Demons

Tuesday, Jan. 6 • 8 p.m. CT
Chicago, Ill. • McGrath Arena
Sunday, Feb. 8 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
DePaul Leads Series 18-12



Location: Chicago, Ill.
Founded: 1898
Enrollment: 23,148
Colors: Royal Blue and Scarlet
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): McGrath Arena (3,000)

Athletics Director: Jean Lenti Ponsetto
Head Coach: Doug Bruno (DePaul '73)
Record at DPU (Yrs.): 414-242 (22)
Career Record (Yrs.): 454-272 (24)
Assistants: Nicci Hays-Fort (Culver-Stockton '98), Candis Blankson (DePaul '01), Bart Brooks (Wyoming '04)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 20-12 (8-8/T-8th)
Postseason: NCAA first round (l. Marist 76-57)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Sam Quigley (G, So., 5-6); Deirdre Naughton (G, Jr., 5-10); Natasha Williams (F, Sr., 6-3)

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Notes: Until last season, home court advantage played a prominent role in the outcome of this series (ND leads 7-6 in South Bend; DPU is up 10-5 in Chicago and 2-0 at neutral sites) ... in fact, last year saw each team win on the other's home court — DePaul (81-80 on Jan. 22, 2008) snapped a four-game losing streak at the Joyce Center, a place it had not won at since Feb. 11, 1992 (62-49), while the Irish (66-64 on Feb. 24, 2008) ended a five-game losing streak in Chicago with their victory in the Windy City since Jan. 11, 1991 (81-66 at old Alumni Hall) ... in 10 of the past 11 series games between Notre Dame and DePaul, the winning team has scored at least 75 points (only exception was last year's 66-64 Irish win in Chicago, the first time neither team broke 70 points since the aforementioned 1992 DePaul win at the Joyce Center) ... DePaul's 18 wins are the third-most ever by one Notre Dame opponent, topped only by Connecticut (21) and Tennessee (20) ... the teams will meet in a home-and-home series for the fourth consecutive season, in accordance with the new BIG EAST scheduling policy instituted in 2005-06 with the league's expansion to 16 teams ... the Notre Dame-DePaul rivalry dates back to the 1978-79 season, when the Irish women's basketball program was just its second season at the varsity level and played at the AIAW Division III level ... the Irish and Blue Demons were members of the same conference once before, squaring off regularly in the now-defunct North Star Conference from 1983-88 ... at 30 games entering this season, the Notre Dame-DePaul series is the second-longest in Irish history, topped only by a 33-game run with Marquette (to be continued Feb. 13 in South Bend) ... both head coaches — Notre Dame's Muffet McGraw and DePaul's Doug Bruno — have ties to the old Women's Professional Basketball League (WBL) which existed from 1978-81: McGraw was a point guard for the California Dreams in 1979 (the franchise's only year of existence) and Bruno was the head coach and director of player personnel for the Chicago Hustle throughout its incarnation from 1978-80 ... Irish junior guard Melissa Lechlitner was a member of the gold medal-winning 2007 USA U19 World Championship Team, coached by Bruno ... Notre Dame has had 11 players come from the state of Illinois, including 10 from the Chicagoland area, with senior guard Lindsay Schrader (Bartlett, Ill.) and sophomore forward Devereaux Peters (Chicago) the latest additions to that list ... DePaul freshman guard Courtney Webb is a 2008 graduate of Benton Harbor (Mich.) High School, located less than 40 miles north of the Notre Dame campus on the shores of Lake Michigan ... the Feb. 8 game at the Joyce Center also has been designated as Notre Dame's "Pink Zone" game, as the Irish participate in the WBCA's national breast cancer awareness initiative.

Current Irish vs. DePaul

Barlow	5 GP/3 GS, 15.2 PPG (76), 5.8 RPG (29), 1.2 APG (6), 1.6 SPG (8), .489 FG% (23-47), .625 3FG% (5-8), .694 FT% (25-36)
Bruszewski	2 GR, 2.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 1.000 FG% (1-1), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Lechlitner	5 GP/1 GS, 6.0 PPG (30), 1.4 RPG (7), 1.6 APG (8), 1.0 SPG (5), .464 FG% (13-28), .000 3FG% (0-3), .667 FT% (4-6)
Mallory	2 GR, 6.0 PPG, 1.0 APG, 1.0 SPG, .600 FG% (3-5), .500 3FG% (1-2), 1.000 FT% (5-5)
Peters	1 GP, 7.0 PPG, 8.0 RPG, 3.0 BPG, 2.0 SPG, .429 FG% (3-7)
Schrader	4 GP/3 GS, 8.5 PPG (34), 6.0 RPG (24), 2.5 APG (10), .293 FG% (12-41), .750 FT% (9-12)
Williamson	5 GP/2 GS, 8.6 PPG (43), 5.4 RPG (27), 1.0 BPG (5), .462 FG% (12-26), .704 FT (19-27)

Evansville Purple Aces

Wednesday, Nov. 19 • 7 p.m.
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 18-1



Location: Evansville, Ind.
Founded: 1854
Enrollment: 2,434
Colors: Purple, Orange, and White
Conference: Missouri Valley
Arena (Capacity): Roberts Stadium (11,600)

Athletics Director: John Stanley
Head Coach: Misty Murphy (Colorado State, '98)
Record at UE (Yrs.): First year
Career Record (Yrs.): 108-65 (6)
Assistants: Mike Jacobsma (Wayne State '01), Jim Sexton (Blackburn College '77), Hillary Beck (Miami-Ohio '05)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 21-12 (13-5/T-1st)
Postseason: WNIT second round (l. Kansas 82-60)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Shannon Novosel (F, Sr., 6-1); Robyn Jennings (F, Sr., 5-11); Ashley Austin (G, Jr., 5-9)

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Notes: Notre Dame and Evansville were traditional rivals for a decade (1984-94) when the schools were members of both the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate conferences, but they have not met since Feb. 12, 1994, when the Irish claimed an 89-62 win at UE ... Notre Dame is 9-0 all-time against the Purple Aces at the Joyce Center, with Evansville making its first trip to South Bend since Jan. 20, 1994, when the Irish earned a 93-48 victory ... UE's lone win in the series came on Jan. 28, 1993, a 73-69 decision in Evansville ... Notre Dame is 23-8 (.742) all-time in home openers, including an active 13-game winning streak; last season, the Irish opened up with a 98-50 win over Miami (Ohio) in the first round of the Preseason WNIT ... Notre Dame is 24-2 (.923) all-time against the current Missouri Valley Conference alignment (11-1 at home), with the vast majority of those games coming against Evansville ... the Irish will be facing a Valley opponent for the first time since Nov. 12, 2004, when they defeated Illinois State, 92-73, at the Joyce Center in the opening round of the Preseason WNIT (an event the Irish went on to win) ... besides the one win by Evansville, the only other current MVC team to defeat Notre Dame is Illinois State, which squeezed by the Irish, 61-59, on Feb. 8, 1984, in South Bend ... the Evansville game is the first of three games for the Irish against Indiana schools, with a home game against Purdue (Dec. 7) and a road trip to Valparaiso (Dec. 13) set to follow ... Notre Dame is 111-32 (.776) all-time against other Indiana schools, with a 53-11 (.828) mark at the Joyce Center; the Irish also have won 11 of their last 14 games against in-state opponents, losing only to Purdue (Jan. 4, 2004 and Dec. 7, 2005) and Indiana (Dec. 3, 2006) ... Notre Dame freshman guard Natalie Novosel's sister, Shannon, is a senior forward at Evansville, with the siblings set to face each other on the hardwood for the first time in their careers; the Novosel sisters played together at Lexington (Ky.) Catholic High School for two years (2003-04 and 2004-05) ... another of Novosel's former LexCath teammates is Evansville junior forward Anaris Sickles; the pair suited up for the Knights for three years (2003-04 through 2005-06).

2008-09 Opponents

Eastern Michigan Eagles

Tuesday, Dec. 2 • 7 p.m. ET
Convocation Center • Ypsilanti, Mich.
Notre Dame Leads Series 2-0



Location: Ypsilanti, Mich.
Founded: 1849
Enrollment: 22,638
Colors: Green and White
Conference: Mid-American (West Division)
Arena (Capacity): Convocation Center (8,824)

Athletics Director: Dr. Derrick Gragg
Head Coach: AnnMarie Gilbert (Oberlin '91)
Record at EMU (Yrs.): 17-12 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): 75-118 (9)
Assistants: Leonard Drake (Central Michigan '78), LaTonya Tate (Iowa '91), Darin Thrun (Michigan State '06)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-12 (11-5/T-1st West)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 1/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 6/8
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Cassie Schrock (G, So., 5-9)

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Notes: Notre Dame will be facing Eastern Michigan for just the third time in series history and the first since Nov. 30, 1984 (a 70-59 Irish win in Ypsilanti) ... the 24-year hiatus between series games is the longest for any opponent on this year's Notre Dame schedule, although the Irish will dust off three series that haven't been contested in more than a decade during the upcoming season (Evansville - 14 years; Loyola-Chicago - 13 years) ... Notre Dame is 33-14 (.702) all-time against current Mid-American Conference schools (18-5, .783 in the Muffet McGraw era), with an active 16-game winning streak against the league following wins over Miami (Ohio) (98-50), Central Michigan (94-41) and Bowling Green (86-84 in overtime) last season ... the Irish also are 13-10 (.565) against MAC schools away from the Joyce Center, with a 6-4 (.600) record in the McGraw era ... in an eight-day span, Notre Dame travels to Ypsilanti to face EMU (Dec. 2), returns home to meet Purdue (Dec. 7), then comes back to Ann Arbor - less than seven miles west of Ypsilanti - on Dec. 10 to take on Michigan ... Notre Dame freshman forward Erica Solomon is a 2008 graduate of Detroit Country Day School, located less than 40 miles northeast of the EMU campus ... 1979 Notre Dame graduate Bill Laimbeer led the WNBA's Detroit Shock to their third league championship back in September, closing out former Irish All-America center Ruth Riley's San Antonio Silver Stars in a three-game sweep with the decisive third game (a 76-60 Detroit win) on Oct. 5, 2008, played at EMU's Convocation Center due to a scheduling conflict with the Shock's regular home, the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Georgetown Hoyas

Saturday, Jan. 10 • 7 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 22-2



Location: Washington, D.C.
Founded: 1789
Enrollment: 14,148
Colors: Blue and Gray
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): McDonough Arena (2,400)

Athletics Director: Bernard Muir
Head Coach: Terri Williams-Flournoy (Penn State '91)
Record at GU (Yrs.): 50-63 (4)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Keith Brown (South Carolina State '88), Cory McNeill (Morgan State '02), Ashley Davis (TCU '05)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 15-14 (5-11/T-11th)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Jaleesa Butler (F, Jr., 6-0); Meredith Cox (G, Jr., 5-11); Shanice Fuller (G, Jr., 5-8)

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Notes: Notre Dame's 22 series wins against Georgetown are tied for the second-most against one opponent in school history; the Irish have 28 wins vs. Marquette and also 22 each vs. Dayton and Detroit ... Notre Dame is 18-1 against Georgetown since joining the BIG EAST prior to the 1995-96 season ... the Irish have held the Hoyas to less than 70 points in 17 of those 19 BIG EAST matchups, winning each time ... last year's 104-86 Notre Dame win at Georgetown marked the first time the Irish had ever topped the century mark on an opponent's home court (and just the second time Notre Dame has ever scored 100 points outside the Joyce Center) ... it was the 10th 100-point game in school history and the first since Nov. 26, 2002 (a 107-65 win over Cleveland State at the Joyce Center); Notre Dame is 10-0 all-time when reaching triple digits ... the Irish also set a McDonough Arena record for points by a visiting team, eclipsing Connecticut's 103 points in 1995 ... the 190 combined points in last year's game were the most for a contest involving Notre Dame since Jan. 7, 1999, when the Irish posted a 111-90 win over West Virginia in South Bend ... besides GU and WVU, Providence is the only other BIG EAST foe against whom the Irish have scored 100 points in a single game ... the last time Georgetown visited the Joyce Center on Feb. 21, 2007, Notre Dame defeated GU, 73-48 and held the Hoyas to their lowest series point total since the 2001 BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals (an 89-33 Irish win) ... Georgetown athletics director Bernard Muir is a familiar face to keen Irish observers — he served as the University's deputy athletics director during his tenure from 2000-05.

Current Irish vs. Georgetown

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 14.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 2.5 APG, .667 FG% (10-15), .667 3FG% (4-6)
Bruszewski	1 GR, 10.0 PPG, 1.000 FG% (3-3), .800 FT% (4-5)
Lechlimer	2 GR, 12.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 4.5 APG, 2.0 SPG, .600 FG% (9-15), .667 FT% (6-9)
Mallory	1 GP, 15.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 1.0 APG, .833 FG% (5-6), .667 3FG% (2-3)
Peters	1 GR, 7.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .375 FG% (3-8)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 9.0 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .500 FG% (9-18)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 8.0 PPG, 4.5 RPG, .571 FG% (4-7), .889 FT% (8-9)

Georgia Southern Eagles

Tuesday, Nov. 25 • 7 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
First Meeting



Location: Statesboro, Ga.
Founded: 1906
Enrollment: 16,841
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: Southern (South Division)
Arena (Capacity): Hanner Fieldhouse (4,358)

Athletics Director: Patrick Osterman
Head Coach: Rusty Cram (Louisiana Tech '85)
Record at GSU (Yrs.): 184-164 (13)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Regine Days-Bryan (Georgia Southern '91), Mary Perry (Georgia Southern '00)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-13 (13-5/T-3rd)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/6
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Ashley Melson (G, Sr., 5-7); Jessica Geiger (F, Jr., 6-1); Carolyn Whitney (G, Jr., 5-7); J'Lisia Ogburn (F, Jr., 6-1)

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Notes: Georgia Southern is one of two first-time opponents for Notre Dame on this year's schedule (the other is Charlotte on Dec. 28) ... the Irish are 36-5 (.878) against first-time opponents since joining the BIG EAST Conference in 1995-96, including a 16-1 (.941) record since the start of the 2000-01 season and a current 11-game winning streak (last loss on Nov. 21, 2001, a 72-66 setback at Colorado State) ... Notre Dame faced two new opponents last year, defeating Canisius (93-47) and Saint Francis (Pa.) (82-39) at the Joyce Center ... the Irish also have won 15 consecutive home games against first-time opponents since an 87-64 loss to Connecticut on Jan. 18, 1996, at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame has played only one current Southern Conference school before, defeating Davidson, 85-37, on Jan. 4, 1981, in Charlotte ... the Irish are 2-2 all-time against Georgia schools, and face a Peach State institution for the first time since Nov. 24, 2000, when they downed Georgia, 75-73 in the championship game of the Coaches vs. Cancer Challenge in Madison, Wis. ... Notre Dame freshman guard Fraderica Miller is a native of Ellenwood, Ga., and graduated from The Marist School in Atlanta in 2008 ... Georgia Southern assistant coach Mary Perry formerly was an assistant coach at BIG EAST member Seton Hall for two seasons (2002-04), helping the Pirates to WNIT berths in both years and a second-round appearance in 2003-04.



LSU Lady Tigers

State Farm Tip-Off Classic
Sunday, Nov. 16 • 1:30 p.m. CT
Baton Rouge, La. • Pete Maravich Assembly Center
LSU Leads Series 2-1

Location: Baton Rouge, La.
Founded: 1860
Enrollment: 25,896
Colors: Purple and Gold
Conference: Southeastern
Arena (Capacity): Pete Maravich Assembly Center (13,468)



Athletics Director: Joe Alleva (Lehigh, '75)
Head Coach: Van Chancellor (Mississippi State '65)
Record at LSU (Yrs.): 31-6 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): 470-160 (20)
Assistants: Bob Starkey, Travis Mays (Texas '90), Kenya Larkin-Landers (Texas '02)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 31-6 (14-0/1st)
Postseason: NCAA Final Four (d. Jackson St, 66-32; d. Marist, 68-49; d. Oklahoma St., 67-52; d. North Carolina, 56-50; l. Tennessee, 47-46)
Final Ranking: 6th (AP)/4th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 0/5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 4/8
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): None

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Notes: Notre Dame is making its first-ever appearance in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic ... the Irish will face LSU for the first time since March 15, 1999, when the Lady Tigers rallied for a 74-64 win over Notre Dame in the second round of the NCAA Tournament in Baton Rouge; current Irish assistant coach Niele Ivey was a junior and the starting point guard on that squad, but did not play in the game against LSU after suffering a season-ending knee injury three games earlier at Rutgers in the semifinals of the BIG EAST Championship ... Notre Dame and LSU are meeting in the regular season for the first time since Dec. 19, 1993, when the Irish logged an 82-80 win over the Lady Tigers at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame is making its first trip to the state of Louisiana since that 1999 NCAA Tournament, which it opened with a 61-57 win over Saint Mary's (Calif.) at LSU's Pete Maravich Assembly Center ... the Irish are 2-4 all-time when playing in the Pelican State, having also visited Louisiana Tech's Thomas Assembly Center in Ruston, La., on three occasions (losing to Tech in January 1984 and returning for the final round of the 1996 Preseason WNIT with a semifinal loss to Tennessee and a third-place game victory over North Carolina State) ... Notre Dame is 23-8 (.742) all-time in season openers, including an 18-3 (.857) record in the Muffet McGraw era and an active 12-game winning streak that continued with last year's 98-50 win over Miami (Ohio) in the first round of the Preseason WNIT ... the Irish also are 16-15 (.516) all-time in road openers, with a 13-8 (.619) mark under McGraw following a 94-41 victory at Central Michigan last season ... Notre Dame is 6-30 (.167) all-time against the current Southeastern Conference alignment (a record mainly comprised of an 0-20 record against Tennessee), although it is 3-7 (.300) in its last 10 meetings with SEC schools ... the last time the Irish defeated an SEC school was Nov. 14, 2003, at the WBCA Classic in Boulder, Colo., when Notre Dame downed Auburn, 77-64 ... although the Irish have not technically defeated an SEC school in their own building, Notre Dame did win a pair of games in an SEC arena at the 1997 NCAA East Regional in South Carolina's old Frank McGuire Center, defeated Alabama (87-71) and George Washington (62-52) to book the program's first NCAA Final Four berth ... LSU is one of two SEC opponents on this year's Irish schedule, with Notre Dame slated to close out the non-conference portion of the docket with a visit to Vanderbilt on Dec. 30.

Louisville Cardinals

Wednesday, Feb. 11 • 7 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Series Tied 3-3

Location: Louisville, Ky.
Founded: 1798
Enrollment: 22,000
Colors: Red, Black and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Freedom Hall (18,865)



Athletics Director: Tom Jurich
Head Coach: Jeff Walz (Northern Kentucky '95)
Record at UoFL (Yrs.): 26-10
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Stephanie Norman (Arizona State '89), Michelle Clark-Heard (Western Kentucky '90), Bethann Shapiro Ord (Maryland-Baltimore County '89)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 26-10 (10-6/T-5th)
Postseason: NCAA regional semifinals (d. Miami (Ohio), 81-67; d. Kansas State, 80-63; l. North Carolina, 78-74)
Final Ranking: 19th (AP)/12th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Angel McCoughtry (F, Sr., 6-1); Brandie Radde (G, Jr., 5-11); Candyce Bingham (F, Sr., 6-0); Chauntise Wright (C, Sr., 6-3)

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Notes: Notre Dame has won two of three games against Louisville since the Cardinals joined the BIG EAST Conference in 2005-06 ... last year's 82-74 Irish win at Freedom Hall was the first for Notre Dame on the Cardinals' home floor since Feb. 21, 1994 (69-54 at Louisville's former home, Cardinal Arena) ... the 82 points also were the most the Irish have ever scored against the Cardinals in the abbreviated series ... Louisville junior guard Brandie Radde is a graduate of Niles (Mich.) High School, located less than 10 miles north of the Notre Dame campus ... Radde and Notre Dame junior guard Melissa Lechlitter are products of the Indiana Elite AAU program that is based at Midwest Basketball Academy in Mishawaka, Ind. ... Notre Dame freshman guard Natalie Novosel and Louisville freshman forward Monique Reid are arguably the two best players to come out of the Kentucky high school ranks in the incoming class of 2008-09; also in the mix was Louisville freshman forward Gwen Rucker, who, like Novosel, hails from Lexington and played at Henry Clay High School (longtime rival of Novosel's Lexington Catholic High School) ... UoFL Director of Olympic Sports Medicine Carole Banda spent 10 years on the athletic training staff at Notre Dame from 1991-2000, the last four as women's basketball trainer for the Irish.

Current Irish vs. Louisville

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 11.0 PPG, 4.5 RPG, 1.5 APG, 1.5 SPG, .400 FG% (10-25)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, .333 FG% (1-3), 1.000 3FG% (1-1)
Lechlitter	2 GR, 2.5 PPG, 0.5 RPG, 2.5 APG, .250 FG% (2-8)
Mallory	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 1.0 APG, 1.0 SPG, .333 FG% (1-3), .333 3FG% (1-3)
Peters	1 GP/1 GS, 6.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 2.0 BPG, .667 FG% (2-3), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 8.5 PPG, 6.0 RPG, .400 FG% (8-20)
Williamson	2 GP, 6.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 APG, 2.0 BPG, 1.0 SPG, .333 FG% (2-6), .667 FT% (8-12)

Loyola Ramblers

Saturday, Dec. 20 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 20-3

Location: Chicago, Ill.
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 15,545
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Horizon League
Arena (Capacity): Joseph J. Gentile Center (5,200)



Athletics Director: John Planek
Head Coach: Shannon Reidy (Lake Forest College '94)
Record at LUC (Yrs.): 19-69 (3)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Brent Brown (Simpson College '89); Eric Simpson (Northwestern '94); Glamora Maeweather (Massachusetts '04)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 8-23 (5-13/9th)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: None
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Maggie McCloskey (G, Jr., 5-5); Keisha Collins (G, Jr., 5-6); Elyse VanBogaert (F, Jr., 6-1); Brittany Boeke (F/C, So., 6-2); Jessica Hylton (G/F, Jr., 5-10)

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Notes: Notre Dame and Loyola renew an old rivalry that burned hot during the schools' memberships in the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate conferences ... the teams have not met since Feb. 4, 1995, when the Irish claimed a 92-76 victory in Chicago ... Notre Dame has won 13 in a row and 19 of the past 20 games against the Ramblers since LUC took two of the first three contests back in 1984 ... the only time Loyola has defeated Notre Dame in that span was Feb. 18, 1989 (108-77 in Chicago) ... the Irish are 10-1 all-time against Loyola at the Joyce Center, winning the last 10 games following a 59-56 win by the Ramblers in their first-ever visit to South Bend on Jan. 18, 1984 ... in spite of the recent series hiatus, Loyola remains one of the most frequently-played opponents in Notre Dame women's basketball history, surpassed only by series with Marquette (33 games entering 2008-09), DePaul (30), Dayton (28), Connecticut/Butler (25), and Georgetown/Rutgers/Detroit (24), with several other schools also having played the Irish 23 times along with Loyola: Syracuse, Villanova and Xavier ... the Loyola game is the second of consecutive games against Horizon League opponents for the Irish following a Dec. 13 visit to longtime regional rival Valparaiso ... including its series against the Crusaders, Notre Dame is 101-14 (.878) all-time against the Horizon League, including a 51-5 (.911) record at the Joyce Center; the Irish also have won 26 consecutive games (including 12 in a row at home) against current Horizon League members (including Valparaiso), following a 65-62 loss to Butler on Jan. 22, 1994 at the Joyce Center ... aside from its rivalry with Valparaiso, Notre Dame played the vast majority of its other Horizon League opponents back when the Irish were members of that circuit from 1988-95 (then known as the Midwestern Collegiate Conference); in fact, the Irish have played only two Horizon League schools since leaving to join the BIG EAST Conference in 1995, downing Butler three times from 1997-99, and more recently defeated Cleveland State, 107-65, on Nov. 26, 2002 at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame has won 12 consecutive games heading into the Christmas holiday and is 22-9 (.710) all-time in such contests; the Irish have not lost a pre-Yuletide game since Dec. 21, 1995, when Michigan State pulled out an 87-83 overtime win in East Lansing, Mich. ... Notre Dame has won 20 consecutive games coming off the final exam break (no game played between finals and Christmas in 1994 and 1997); however, because of the extended layoff due to finals and associated sluggishness, many of these contests have been exceptionally close, with the most recent examples coming in 1999 (68-62 win at Florida International, closing game on 11-5 run over final 2:43) and 2004 (50-47 win at Marquette on Jacqueline Battaest's three-pointer at the horn) ... the last time Notre Dame lost a game coming out of its final exam break was Dec. 21, 1985, when Mary DiStanislao's Irish dropped a 73-67 decision to UCLA at the Joyce Center.

2008-09 Opponents

Marquette Golden Eagles

Tuesday, Jan. 13 • 8 p.m. CT
Al McGuire Center • Milwaukee, Wis.
Notre Dame Leads Series 28-5



Location: Milwaukee, Wis.
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 10,500
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Al McGuire Center (4,000)

Athletics Director: Steve Cottingham
Head Coach: Terri Mitchell (Duquesne '89)
Record at MU (Yrs.): 238-130 (12)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Michelle Nason (Bradley '95), Cara Consuegra (Iowa '01), Jennie Lillis (Iowa '04)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 21-14 (8-8/T-8th)
Postseason: WNIT champion (d. Creighton 75-69; d. Illinois 72-64; d. Kentucky 69-64; d. Colorado 86-72; d. Michigan State 81-66)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Krystal Ellis (G, Jr., 5-9); Angel Robinson (G, So., 5-8); Jocelyn Mellen (F, So., 6-3); Janelle Harris (G, Jr, 6-0)

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Notes: Notre Dame got back on the winning track against Marquette with a 99-76 victory over the Golden Eagles last season at the Joyce Center ... the 99 points were the most for the Irish against MU since Dec. 21, 1990 (a 109-56 win in South Bend) ... Notre Dame shot a season-high .643 (36-of-56) against Marquette last season, its best single-game field goal percentage since Feb. 12, 1997 (.680 vs. Boston College) ... the last time the Irish visited Milwaukee on Jan. 23, 2007, Marquette snapped Notre Dame's 10-game series winning streak with a 71-62 win at the Al McGuire Center ... Notre Dame has won 27 of the past 29 series games ... five of the past six contests between the Irish and Golden Eagles have been tightly-played, with a winning margin of 29 total points (5.8 ppg.) in those games ... four of Marquette's five wins in the series have come in Milwaukee, with the only Golden Eagle victory at the Joyce Center coming on Feb. 2, 1980 (a 67-46 decision played in Notre Dame's final season as an AIAW Division III program) ... Notre Dame's 28 series wins and 33 series games played are the most against one opponent in school history ... the Marquette record books also include two additional MU victories, both of which came in 1976 (52-47 on Feb. 4 in Milwaukee; 45-41 on Feb. 28 in South Bend), prior to Notre Dame's program elevating to varsity status in 1977-78 ... the Irish have scored 70 or more points against Marquette on 22 occasions (all in the past 27 games) ... the 71-62 Marquette win in 2006-07 was the third time in series history that the Golden Eagles have scored 70 points on the Irish (first since a 90-76 Notre Dame win on Dec. 1, 1993 at the Joyce Center) ... prior to their current BIG EAST affiliation, Notre Dame and Marquette were conference mates in both the North Star (1986-99) and Midwestern Collegiate (1989-91) Conferences; the Irish are 10-1 all-time in conference play against the Golden Eagles, and were unbeaten prior to MU's win two years ago ... Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw and Marquette head coach Terri Mitchell are members of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Board of Directors; McGraw serves as that body's NCAA Division I Legislative Chair, while Mitchell is the treasurer.

Current Irish vs. Marquette

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 10.5 PPG, 4.5 RPG, 3.5 APG, 2.0 SPG, .500 FG% (8-16), .250 3FG% (1-4), .667 FT% (4-6)
Bruszewski	1 GR, 6.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, .667 FG% (2-3), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Lechlitner	2 GR, 6.5 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, 1.5 SPG, .500 FG% (5-10)
Mallory	1 GR, 9.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .667 FG% (2-3), .500 3FG% (1-2), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 10.0 PPG, 8.0 RPG, 4.5 APG, 2.0 SPG, .467 FG% (7-15), .600 FT% (6-10)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 4.5 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 3.0 BPG, .375 FG% (3-8), .750 FT% (3-4)

Michigan Wolverines

Thursday, Dec. 10 • 7 p.m. ET
Ann Arbor, Mich. • Crisler Arena
Notre Dame Leads Series 9-6



Location: Ann Arbor, Mich.
Founded: 1817
Enrollment: 38,006
Colors: Maize and Blue
Conference: Big Ten
Arena (Capacity): Crisler Arena (13,751)

Athletics Director: William C. Martin
Head Coach: Kevin Borseth (Lake Superior State '76)
Record at UM (Yrs.): 19-14 (1)
Career Record (Yrs.): 525-224 (26)
Associate Head Coach: Dawn Plitzuweit (Michigan Tech '95)
Assistants: Tianna Kirkland (Ferris State '02), Mike Williams (Wisconsin-Stevens Point '87)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 19-14 (9-9/T-6th)
Postseason: WNIT quarterfinals (d. Virginia Commonwealth 75-57; d. Southern Mississippi 59-45; l. Michigan State 45-40)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Krista Phillips (F, Jr., 6-6); Carly Benson (F, Sr., 6-2); Jessica Minnfield (G, Sr., 5-5)

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Notes: Notre Dame has matched the longest winning streak by either team in the series (three), while also claiming five of the past six series matchups (and nine of the past 12), including a 77-46 win last year at the Joyce Center ... that game attracted a crowd of 10,825, the fourth-largest home audience in school history and largest non-sellout crowd ever for the Irish ... the last time Notre Dame visited Crisler Arena on Dec. 1, 2006, the Irish scored 10 points in the final 47 seconds to pull out a 61-58 victory on Tulyah Gaines' two free throws with 3.3 seconds to play ... the home team has largely had the upper hand in the series, with the Irish leading 7-1 at the Joyce Center and Michigan owning a 4-2 edge at Crisler Arena (plus a victory in the lone neutral site game) ... The 2007 Notre Dame win in Ann Arbor was its first on the UM campus since Dec. 12, 1982 (when the Irish won by virtually the same score, 62-58); it also was the closest winning margin in the series since Dec. 8, 1979 when Michigan claimed a 66-60 overtime win in South Bend ... of Notre Dame's nine wins in the series, eight have come when the Irish held UM to less than 60 points ... the aggregate point total in the 15-game series remains razor thin, with Notre Dame having scored 1,011 points and Michigan amassing 978 points ... Notre Dame freshman forward Erica Solomon is a native of Oak Park, Mich., and graduated from Detroit Country Day School in 2008.

Current Irish vs. Michigan

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 9.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, 2.0 SPG, .412 FG% (7-17), .750 FT% (3-4)
Bruszewski	1 GR, 0.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 1.0 SPG, .000 FG% (0-1)
Lechlitner	2 GR, 1.5 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, 2.0 SPG, .143 FG% (1-7)
Mallory	1 GR, 7.0 PPG, 1.0 APG, .300 FG% (3-10)
Peters	1 GR, 10.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 3.0 SPG, .833 FG% (5-6)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 10.5 PPG, 8.5 RPG, 1.5 APG, .450 FG% (9-20)
Williamson	2 GR, 5.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .500 FG% (4-8)

Michigan State Spartans

Saturday, Nov. 29 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Michigan State Leads Series 8-4



Location: East Lansing, Mich.
Founded: 1855
Enrollment: 45,166
Colors: Green and White
Conference: Big Ten
Arena (Capacity): Jack Breslin Student Events Center (14,759)

Athletics Director: Mark Hollis
Head Coach: Suzy Merchant (Central Michigan '91)
Record at MSU (Yrs.): 23-14
Career Record (Yrs.): 224-134 (13)
Assistants: Shane Clippell (Eastern Michigan '06), Rick Albro (Western Michigan '71), Evelyn Thompson (Auburn '90)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 23-14 (10-8/T-5th)
Postseason: WNIT runner-up (d. Bowling Green, 74-66; d. Kansas, 58-54; d. Michigan, 45-40; d. North Carolina State, 58-57; l. Marquette, 81-66)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Allyssa DeHaan (C, Jr., 6-9); Mia Johnson (G, Sr., 5-9); Kalisha Keane (F, So., 6-1); Brittney Thomas (G, So., 5-10)

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Notes: Notre Dame will be facing Michigan State for the first time since Dec. 2, 2004, when the Spartans rallied from a six-point deficit late in regulation to force overtime and defeat the Irish, 82-73 at the Joyce Center ... the loss snapped Notre Dame's 25-game homecourt winning streak, the second-longest in school history ... MSU is one of the few visiting teams to have a winning record in South Bend, going 4-2 at the Joyce Center ... the Spartans have won the past two games in the series in 2003 and 2004, with the last Irish win over Michigan State coming on Dec. 11, 1999 (84-54 in South Bend) ... Notre Dame is 18-13 (.581) in its first game after the Thanksgiving holiday, with a 7-3 (.700) home record and 14-7 (.667) mark in the Muffet McGraw era ... Michigan State is the first of three Big Ten Conference opponents on this year's Notre Dame schedule, with Purdue (Dec. 7) and Michigan (Dec. 10) to follow ... the Irish are 36-46 (.439) all-time against the Big Ten, including a 20-16 (.556) record at home; Notre Dame also is 29-32 (.475) vs. the Big Ten in the McGraw era, with a 15-11 (.577) home slate ... the Irish have won nine of their last 13 games against Big Ten schools, including a sweep of Michigan and Purdue last season ... the MSU game also is the first of three in a four-game stretch against Michigan schools for Notre Dame, leading into games at Eastern Michigan (Dec. 2) and Michigan (Dec. 10) ... the Irish are 50-19 (.725) all-time against Michigan schools, including a 30-7 (.811) record in the Muffet McGraw era ... Notre Dame has won seven in a row against the Great Lakes State since that 2004 overtime loss to Michigan State at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame freshman forward Kellie Watson hails from Ionia, Mich., located less than an hour northwest of the MSU campus (halfway between Lansing and Grand Rapids) ... Irish freshman forward Erica Solomon has some good memories of Michigan State's Breslin Center, having helped lead Detroit Country Day School to the 2008 Michigan Class B state title on that floor ... MSU is one of four Irish opponents who, like Notre Dame, will be playing host to first- and second-round games in the 2009 NCAA Tournament; the others are Connecticut, LSU and Rutgers.



Pittsburgh Panthers

Tuesday, Feb. 3 • 7 p.m. ET
Pittsburgh, Pa. • Petersen Events Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 17-2



Location: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Founded: 1787
Enrollment: 33,898
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Petersen Events Center (12,508)

Athletics Director: Steve Pederson
Head Coach: Agnus Berenato (Mount St. Mary's '80)
Record at UP (Yrs.): 90-66 (5)
Career Record (Yrs.): 372-330 (24)
Associate Head Coach: Jeff Williams (Howard '87)
Assistants: Caroline McCombs (Youngstown State '98), Yolett McPhee-McCuin (Rhode Island '04)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 24-11 (10-6/T-5th)
Postseason: NCAA regional semifinals (d. Wyoming, 63-58; d. Baylor, 67-59; l. Stanford 72-53)
Final Ranking: 16th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Xenia Stewart (G, Jr., 6-0); Shavonte Zellous (G, Jr., 5-11); Shayla Scott (G, So., 6-1)

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Notes: Pittsburgh has won two of the past three series games against Notre Dame after the Irish took the first 16 matchups ... Notre Dame won last year's regular season contest (81-66 on Feb. 10, 2008 at the Joyce Center), but the Panthers came back to take the rematch in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals (64-53 on March 9, 2008, at Hartford's XL Center) ... the 81 points in the regular-season game were the most for the Irish in the series since Feb. 27, 2001, when they posted an 82-63 win at Pitt's former home, Fitzgerald Field House, to claim a share of their first BIG EAST regular-season championship ... last year's regular-season meeting also served as Notre Dame's WBCA "Pink Zone" contest, with Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw donating \$10 to the WBCA initiative for every Irish rebound collected in the game (total of \$420); all told, Notre Dame brought in close to \$1,500 to donate towards breast cancer research and awareness ... Irish sophomore guard Brittany Mallory and Pittsburgh sophomore forward Taneisha Harrison were teammates on the Fairfax Stars AAU 16-and-under squad in 2006 (Mallory's father, Bob, was an assistant coach on that team) ... fourth-year Notre Dame assistant coach Angie (Pothoff) Barber spent three seasons (2002-05) coaching the girls' basketball team at Beaver (Pa.) Area High School, located 45 minutes northwest of Pittsburgh; she was an assistant for two years before becoming head coach her final season ... Barber also was a three-year college assistant (1999-2002), spending the first year as a graduate aide at Indiana (Pa.), located 70 miles east of Pittsburgh, then the final two seasons as a full assistant at Robert Morris in Moon Township, Pa. (located near Pittsburgh International Airport) ... Notre Dame coordinator of basketball operations Stephanie Menio is a 2004 Pittsburgh graduate who spent two years as a marketing assistant with the Panther women's basketball program during her undergraduate days.

Current Irish vs. Pittsburgh

Barlow	3 GP/2 GS, 8.7 PPG (26), 2.0 RPG (6), 2.7 APG (8), .467 FG% (7-15), .400 3FG% (2-5), .714 FT% (10-14)
Bruszewski	2 GP, 6.0 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 1.0 APG, .667 FG% (4-6), 1.000 FT% (4-4)
Lechlitner	3 GP, 7.7 PPG (23), 2.3 RPG (7), 2.3 APG (7), .474 FG% (9-19), .833 FT% (5-6)
Mallory	2 GP, 4.0 PPG, 1.5 SPG, .300 FG% (3-10), .667 FT% (2-3)
Peters	1 GP, 11.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .500 FG% (4-8), .750 FG% (3-4)
Schrader	3 GP/3 GS, 12.0 PPG (36), 8.0 RPG (24), 3.0 APG (9), .421 FG% (16-38), .800 FT% (4-5)
Williamson	3 GP/2 GS, 6.7 PPG (20), 6.0 RPG (18), .333 FG% (7-21), 1.000 FT% (6-6)

Providence Friars

Saturday, Feb. 28 • 2 p.m. ET
Providence, R.I. • Alumni Hall
Notre Dame Leads Series 16-0



Location: Providence, R.I.
Founded: 1917
Enrollment: 3,912
Colors: Black and White with Silver
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Alumni Hall/Mullaney Gymnasium (2,620)

Athletics Director: Robert G. Driscoll, Jr.
Head Coach: Phil Seymour (Canisius '89)
Record at PC (Yrs.): 33-52 (3)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Shauna Green (Canisius '02), Jonath Nicholas (Trinity '97), Morra Gill (Dillard '02)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 12-17 (2-14/16th)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: None
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Chelsea Marandola (G, Jr., 5-8); Catherine Bove (G, Jr., 5-10); Aga Lorenc (C/F, So., 6-6); Kendria Holmes (G, So., 5-5)

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Notes: Providence is the only BIG EAST opponent Notre Dame has never lost to, with a minimum of five series games played ... the 16-game series win streak also is the longest active win streak for the Irish against a BIG EAST school ... Notre Dame has won 14 of the 16 series meetings by double digits, with the exceptions coming on Jan. 5, 2002 (72-66 at South Bend) and Feb. 16, 2003 (67-61 at PC) ... the Irish are 8-0 all-time against the Friars at Alumni Hall, winning by an average of 21.3 points per game ... last year's 85-54 win over Providence at the Joyce Center represented Notre Dame's highest point total against Providence since Feb. 1, 2000, when the Irish claimed a 90-60 win at Alumni Hall ... last year's 31-point margin also was the largest for the Irish since Jan. 30, 1999 (a 97-59 win in Providence) ... Notre Dame recorded 23 steals in last year's win, just one shy of the BIG EAST record and the most for the Irish in a single game since Jan. 28, 1995, when they nabbed 23 steals in a 98-50 win over Wisconsin-Milwaukee at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame has held Providence to 66 points or less in each of the past 13 series matchups (including less than 60 points in 10 of the past 13), after the Friars topped the 70-point mark in the first three encounters ... between the two teams, there are three former winners of the Gatorade High School Player of the Year award in their respective states — Notre Dame senior guard Lindsay Schrader (Illinois - 2005) and freshman forward Kellie Watson (Michigan - 2008), as well as Providence senior guard Chelsea Marandola (Rhode Island - 2004 & 2005) ... Irish sophomore guard Brittany Mallory and Friars sophomore guard/forward Mi-Khida Hankins duelled regularly during their prep days in Baltimore, Md. — Mallory's McDonogh School and Hankins' St. Frances Academy (also the alma mater of Seton Hall freshman Kandice Green) are in the same conference with the schools playing a minimum of twice per year, and each player was a first-team All-Metro selection by the Baltimore Sun in 2006 and 2007; McDonogh and St. Frances also met in the '07 IAAM A Conference title game with St. Frances pulling out a 68-63 win.

Current Irish vs. Providence

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 8.5 PPG, 7.5 RPG, 3.0 SPG, .313 FG% (5-16), .778 FT% (7-9)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 4.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, .500 FG% (2-4)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 13.0 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 4.0 APG, .368 FG% (7-19), .846 FT% (11-13)
Mallory	1 GP, 6.0 PPG, 2.0 APG, 2.0 SPG, .167 FG% (1-6), .667 FT% (4-6)
Peters	1 GP, 12.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .833 FG% (5-6), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 8.5 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 2.5 APG, .538 FG% (7-13), .500 FT% (3-6)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 6.5 PPG, 5.0 RPG, .400 FG% (4-10), .833 FT% (5-6)

Purdue Boilermakers

Sunday, Dec. 7 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Purdue Leads Series 14-7



Location: West Lafayette, Ind.
Founded: 1869
Enrollment: 39,228
Colors: Old Gold and Black
Conference: Big Ten
Arena (Capacity): Mackey Arena (14,123)

Athletics Director: Morgan Burke
Head Coach: Sharon Versyp (Purdue '89)
Record at PUR (Yrs.): 50-21 (2)
Career Record (Yrs.): 167-86 (8)
Assistants: Jody Brenner (Maine '92), Martin Clapp (Murray State '89), Nadine Morgan (James Madison '03)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 19-15 (11-7/4th)
Postseason: NCAA second round (d. Utah 66-59; l. Tennessee 78-52)
Final Ranking: None
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Natasha Bogdanova (F, Sr., 6-4); FahKara Malone (G, Jr., 5-3); Lakisha Freeman (F, Sr., 6-1); Danielle Campbell (C, Sr., 6-5)

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Notes: Notre Dame has won three of the past four games in the series, following a four-game Purdue winning streak ... prior to last season, the Irish were winless in nine trips to Purdue's Mackey Arena (0-8 vs. Purdue; 0-1 vs. Boston College in '06 NCAA Tournament), but that ended in a big way with three victories in a span of three and a half months (61-48 over Purdue, 75-62 vs. SMU and 79-75 in overtime vs. No. 14/13 Oklahoma, the latter two coming in the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament) ... in each of the past two head-to-head matchups, Notre Dame has held Purdue to its lowest point total in the series, having also defeated Purdue, 67-58 at the Joyce Center in 2006-07 ... the all-time series record in South Bend stands at 4-4, with the Irish winning four of the past five over the Boilermakers at the Joyce Center (one exception was a 71-54 Purdue victory on Jan. 4, 2003) ... Purdue is Notre Dame's most common NCAA Tournament opponent, with the squads splitting their four postseason matchups (all at neutral sites) ... the Irish and Boilermakers remain the only programs from the same state ever to play for the NCAA national championship (2001) ... the 70-point plateau seems to be a magic milestone in the series, with at least one team hitting that mark 14 times in 21 series games, and the first to do so winning every time (although neither team has reached that point total in the past three games) ... third-year Purdue head coach Sharon Versyp grew up in Mishawaka, Ind., located minutes from the Notre Dame campus, and was named Indiana Miss Basketball in 1984 as a senior at Mishawaka High School ... Notre Dame senior guard Lindsay Schrader and Purdue senior center Danielle Campbell were AAU teammates with the Chicago Flames, while Schrader and Boilermaker redshirt senior forward Lindsay Wisdom-Hylton faced off regularly in the Illinois Upstate Eight Conference (Schrader at Bartlett High School, Wisdom-Hylton at Nequa Valley High School) ... Notre Dame junior guards Ashley Barlow and Melissa Lechlitner were teammates with Purdue junior guard FahKara Malone on the 2006 Indiana All-Star Team that swept a two-game series from their Kentucky counterparts ... Irish sophomore forward Devereaux Peters and Boilermakers sophomore forward Samantha Woods were teammates at national powerhouse Fenwick High School in Oak Park, Ill., from 2003-04 through 2004-05 before Woods transferred to nearby Bolingbrook High School for her final two prep seasons.

Current Irish vs. Purdue

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 15.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 2.5 APG, 4.0 SPG, .471 FG% (8-17), 1.000 FT% (11-11)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 4.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 1.000 FG% (2-2)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 2.0 PPG, 1.5 APG, 1.5 SPG, .286 FG% (2-7)
Mallory	1 GP, 0.0 PPG, 4.0 APG, 3.0 SPG, .000 FG% (0-3)
Peters	1 GP, 5.0 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .400 FG% (2-5)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 7.0 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .261 FG% (6-23)
Williamson	2 GP, 0.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, .000 FG% (0-3)

2008-09 Opponents

Rutgers Scarlet Knights

Thursday, Jan. 27 • 8 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Rutgers Leads Series 15-9



Location: Piscataway, N.J.
Founded: 1766
Enrollment: 35,000
Color: Scarlet
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Louis Brown Athletic Center (8,000)

Athletics Director: Robert E. Mulcahy III
Head Coach: C. Vivian Stringer (Slippery Rock '71)
Record at RU (Yrs.): 284-132 (13)
Career Record (Yrs.): 807-267 (37)
Assistants: Carlene Mitchell (Kansas State '96), Tasha Pointer (Rutgers '01), Clarissa Davis-Wrightsil (Texas '89)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 27-7 (14-2/2nd)
Postseason: NCAA regional finals (d. Robert Morris 85-42; d. Iowa State 69-58; d. George Washington 53-42; l. Connecticut 66-56)

Final Ranking: 7th (AP)/6th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/3
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Kia Vaughn (C, Sr., 6-4); Heather Zurich (F, Sr., 6-1); Epiphany Prince (G, Jr., 5-9)

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Notes: Rutgers has won seven of the past eight games in the series, including a hard-fought 57-51 win last season in Piscataway ... Notre Dame leads the all-time series at the Joyce Center by a 5-3 count, although the Scarlet Knights took a 76-60 victory on their last visit to South Bend (Feb. 24, 2007) ... that game marked the first time either team had scored 70 points in a regulation series contest since Feb. 13, 1999 (a 77-57 RU win in Piscataway) ... Notre Dame has not scored more than 63 points in its last 10 games against the Scarlet Knights, dating back to a 67-46 victory on Jan. 6, 2001 at the Joyce Center ... almost half (11) of the 24 series matchups have been decided by single digits (including a pair of overtime contests in 2000), including last year's six-point spread, which was the closest game in the series since RU edged the Irish, 51-45 on March 7, 2004, in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals in the building formerly known as the Hartford Civic Center ... the Scarlet Knights hold a 12-9 series edge over the Irish since both programs joined the BIG EAST in 1995-96 ... Notre Dame junior guard Ashley Barlow and RU junior guard Epiphany Prince were named to the '06 Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) High School All-America Team and subsequently played in the WBCA High School All-America Game in Boston (Barlow and Prince were teammates on the White Team which lost 68-61) ... the two head coaches — Notre Dame's Muffet McGraw and Rutgers' C. Vivian Stringer — rank among the 20 winningest coaches in NCAA Division I history with a combined total of nearly 1,400 victories (McGraw — 562; Stringer — 804) during their storied careers entering the 2008-09 season.

Current Irish vs. Rutgers

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 2.5 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 1.0 APG, .200 FG% (2-10), .333 3FG% (1-3)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 9.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .667 FG% (4-6), 1.000 FT% (1-1)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 1.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 1.5 APG, .143 FG% (1-7)
Mallory	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 2.0 APG, .200 FG% (1-5), .250 3FG% (1-4)
Schrader	2 GP/1 GS, 8.0 PPG, 6.5 RPG, 2.0 APG, .444 FG% (8-18), .667 FT% (2-3)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 7.5 PPG, 4.5 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .375 FG% (6-16), .750 FT% (3-4)

St. John's Red Storm

Saturday, Jan. 17 • 2 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 16-2



Location: Queens, N.Y.
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 20,086
Colors: Red and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Carnesecca Arena (6,008)

Athletics Director: Chris Monasch (St. John's '81)
Head Coach: Kim Barnes Arico (Montclair State '93)
Record at SJU (Yrs.): 86-91 (6)
Career Record (Yrs.): 180-163 (12)
Associate Head Coach: Joe Tartamella (James Madison '01)
Assistants: Danny Hughes (TCU '90), Octavia Blue (Miami '07)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 18-15 (7-9/10th)
Postseason: WNIT quarterfinals (d. Iona, 65-59; d. Boston College, 65-56; l. North Carolina State, 63-61)

Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Monique McLean (G, Jr., 5-11); Sky Lindsay (G, So., 5-11); Joy McCorvey (F, Jr., 6-0)

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Notes: After Notre Dame won the first 15 games in the series, St. John's has taken two of the past three contests, including a 61-51 decision last year at Carnesecca Arena ... it marked the lowest point total ever posted by the Irish against the Red Storm, exceeding their production on their prior visit to Queens (a 66-63 SJU win on Jan. 4, 2006) ... the last time the teams met at the Joyce Center, the Irish returned to the win column with an 83-65 triumph on Jan. 16, 2007 ... the 83 points were the most scored by Notre Dame against SJU since Jan. 9, 2001, when the Irish defeated the Red Storm, 84-49 in Queens ... St. John's had not scored more than 60 points against Notre Dame in its first 14 series matchups, but has topped that mark in the past four contests with the Irish ... the 31 points allowed by Notre Dame vs. St. John's on Feb. 13, 2002 at the Joyce Center represents the fourth-lowest opponent scoring total in school history, the second lowest by a Division I opponent, and the lowest ever by a conference opponent (in any league — North Star, Midwestern Collegiate or BIG EAST) ... Notre Dame has shot 50 percent or better from the field in exactly half (nine) of the 18 series games against St. John's, including a series-best .571 percentage (36-63) on Feb. 12, 2000 at the Joyce Center ... the Irish are 42-4 (.913) all-time against New York schools, with a 22-0 record at home.

Current Irish vs. St. John's

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 16.0 PPG, 7.0 RPG, .545 FG% (12-22), .429 3FG% (3-7), .714 FT% (5-7)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 0.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 2.0 BPG, .000 FG% (0-1)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 5.5 PPG, 5.0 APG, 3.0 SPG, .227 FG% (5-22)
Mallory	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 1.0 RPG, 3.0 SPG, .111 FG% (1-9)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 5.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 1.5 APG, .333 FG% (4-12), .667 FT% (2-3)
Williamson	2 GP, 5.5 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 2.0 BPG, .444 FG% (4-9), .600 FT% (3-5)

Seton Hall Pirates

Saturday, Jan. 3 • Noon ET
South Orange, N.J. • Walsh Gymnasium
Notre Dame Leads Series 16-4



Location: South Orange, N.J.
Founded: 1856
Enrollment: 9,700
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Walsh Gymnasium (2,600)

Athletics Director: Joe Quinlan
Head Coach: Phyllis Mangina (Seton Hall '81)
Record at SHU (Yrs.): 326-333 (23)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Assistants: Marlin Chinn (Hampton '92), Kim Tingley (Delaware '02), Brian Stanchak (Seton Hall '04)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 13-15 (3-13/T-14th)
Postseason: WNIT second round (d. Dartmouth 60-39; l. Hofstra 64-52)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Ebonie Williams (G, So., 5-8); Jadis Rhodin (G, Sr., 5-11); Noteisha Womack (F, Sr., 6-2)

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Notes: After a 12-game Notre Dame winning streak in the series (which coincided with the school's admission to the BIG EAST), the past six outings have been much more even, with the Irish holding a slim 4-2 edge ... last year's 70-55 Notre Dame win at the Joyce Center marked the first time the Irish have scored 70 points against the Pirates since Jan. 9, 2002 (a 79-45 win in South Bend) ... five of the past eight series matchups have been decided by six points or less, including Notre Dame's most recent visit to Walsh Gymnasium (a 64-61 victory on Jan. 2, 2007) ... the past four series games in South Orange each have been decided by six points or less, with Notre Dame winning three of those four ... the Irish have limited the Pirates to 61 points or less in 16 of the past 17 series games, with the lone exception being Seton Hall's 74-61 win on Jan. 7, 2006 at the Joyce Center ... that game also marked SHU's first win in South Bend since Dec. 11, 1993, and the Pirates' largest margin of victory ever in the series ... a 51-45 SHU win on Feb. 8, 2004 is one of only two times (and the lone occurrence as a Division I program) that the Irish have ever failed to produce at least one double-figure scorer ... the March 2005 contest (a 41-35 ND win) yielded two school records for Notre Dame — the fewest points ever allowed in a BIG EAST road game, and the fewest points scored in any road game ... the coaching matchup between McGraw and Seton Hall's Phyllis Mangina dates back more than a quarter century to McGraw's previous tenure at Lehigh (1982-87), when her teams split two games with Mangina's SHU clubs ... Irish sophomore guard Brittany Mallory and Pirate freshman forward Kandice Green are no strangers to one another, having played regularly during their high school days in Baltimore, Md. — Mallory's McDonough School and Green's St. Frances Academy (also the alma mater of Providence sophomore Mi-Khida Hankins) are in the same conference with the schools playing a minimum of twice per year; McDonough and St. Frances also met in the '07 IAAM A Conference title game with St. Frances pulling out a 68-63 win.

Current Irish vs. Seton Hall

Barlow	2 GP, 7.0 PPG, 6.5 RPG, 2.5 APG, .308 FG% (4-13), .833 FT% (5-6)
Lechlitner	1 GP, 11.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 6.0 APG, 2.0 SPG, .500 FG% (4-8), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Mallory	1 GP, 4.0 PPG, 2.0 SPG, .250 FG% (1-4), .250 3FG% (1-4)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 8.5 PPG, 4.0 RPG, 1.5 APG, .636 FG% (7-11)
Williamson	2 GP, 5.0 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 1.5 BPG, .667 FG% (4-6)



South Florida Bulls

Tuesday, Feb. 17 • 7 p.m. ET
Tampa, Fla. • Sun Dome
Notre Dame Leads Series 4-2



Location: Tampa, Fla.
Founded: 1956
Enrollment: 43,885
Colors: Green and Gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): Sun Dome (10,411)

Athletics Director: Doug Woolard
Head Coach: Jose Fernandez (Florida International '94)
Record at NSF (Yrs.): 116-123 (8)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Associate Head Coach: Jeff Osterman (Siena '92)
Assistants: Michele Woods-Baxter (St. John Fisher '87), Andrea Williams (Edinboro '94)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 16-16 (5-11/11th)
Postseason: WNIT First Round (I. Florida Gulf Coast, 67-65)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/5
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Shantia Grace (G, Sr., 5-6); Jazmine Sepulveda (G, Sr., 5-9)

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Notes: The four-game series between Notre Dame and South Florida since the Bulls joined the BIG EAST in 2005-06 has been wildly entertaining, with two games decided in overtime and a third by seven points ... the Irish took last year's matchup in South Bend, 92-49, posting their largest margin of victory in a BIG EAST Conference game since Feb. 12, 2000 (a 94-51 win over St. John's at the Joyce Center) ... it also was the first regular-season win for Notre Dame over NSF since the Bulls became a BIG EAST member ... Notre Dame has scored at least 70 points in five of the six series games against South Florida ... the last time the Irish visited the Sun Dome, NSF defeated Notre Dame, 87-78 in overtime on Jan. 13, 2007, spoiling Notre Dame's first trip to Tampa since 1998 ... that contest also saw the Irish set a school record with 33 fouls, and three Notre Dame players fouled out in the same game for the first time since Dec. 28, 2000 at USC ... in addition, the Bulls set an Irish opponent record with 45 free throw attempts ... center Erica Williamson established a new Notre Dame rookie record with 18 rebounds (two shy of the BIG EAST freshman record) in the loss ... NSF's Jessica Dickson became the first Irish opponent to score 30 points in a game since Villanova's Jen Beisel on Jan. 30, 1998 ... Notre Dame is 20-6 (.769) all-time against Florida schools, including a 12-3 (.800) record away from the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame senior guard Lindsay Schrader and NSF senior guard Shantia Grace were named the 2005 Gatorade Player of the Year in their respective states (Schrader in Illinois, Grace in Florida), while Irish freshman forward Kellie Watson was the 2008 Gatorade Player of the Year in Michigan ... Notre Dame has had seven Florida residents on their all-time roster, with the most recent being Pembroke Pines product Le'Tania Severe, who played at Notre Dame from 2000-04, helping the Irish to three NCAA Sweet 16 berths and the 2001 NCAA title ... Vincent J. Naimoli, the managing general partner and chief executive officer of the 2008 American League champion Tampa Bay Rays, is a 1959 Notre Dame graduate and, in 2007, he donated \$5 million towards the Joyce Center renovation project, with the arena's new club/hospitality area (and two outdoor patios) set to be named the Naimoli Family Club Room when the facility debuts in 2010.

Current Irish vs. South Florida

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 10.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, 2.5 SPG, .429 FG% (6-14), .700 FT% (7-10)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 11.5 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 4.0 APG, .370 FG% (10-27), .667 FT% (2-3)
Mallory	1 GP, 14.0 PPG, 7.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, .571 FG% (4-7), .800 3FG% (4-5), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	3 GP/2 GS, 14.3 PPG (43), 7.3 RPG (22), 2.3 SPG (7), .515 FG% (17-33), .750 FT% (9-12)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 9.5 PPG, 12.0 RPG, 2.5 BPG, .462 FG% (6-13), .875 FT% (7-8)

Syracuse Orange

Tuesday, Feb. 24 • 7 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 21-2



Location: Syracuse, N.Y.
Founded: 1870
Enrollment: 12,400
Color: Orange
Conference: BIG EAST
Arenas (Capacities): Carrier Dome (33,633)

Athletics Director: Dr. Daryl Gross
Head Coach: Quentin Hillsman (St. Mary's (Md.) '93)
Record at SU (Yrs.): 311-29 (3)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Associate Head Coach: Matt Luneau (Johnson State '91)
Assistants: Rick Moody (Troy '76), Mary McKissack-Grimes (Siena '03)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 22-9 (10-6/6th)
Postseason: NCAA first round (I. Hartford, 59-55)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/4
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Nicole Michael (G, Jr., 6-2); Tasha Harris (G, So., 5-9); Chandraea Jones (G, Sr., 5-9); Erica Morrow (G, So., 5-8)

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Notes: Since Notre Dame and Syracuse split their first two contests, the Irish have won 20 of the past 21 meetings (eight in a row), including all 17 regular-season games since Notre Dame joined the BIG EAST Conference in 1995-96 ... the lone SU win during that span came on March 3, 2002, when the Orange defeated the Irish, 84-79 in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals at Piscataway, N.J. ... SU is one of eight programs against whom Notre Dame has at least 20 series wins; the others are Marquette (28), Dayton/Detroit/Georgetown (22), Loyola (Ill.)/Valparaiso/Xavier (20) ... Notre Dame has scored 70 or more points in 18 of the 23 series contests, while Syracuse has reached that mark just twice (most recently in its 2002 BIG EAST Championship win) ... the Irish defense has been particularly stout in the last eight matchups, as Notre Dame has limited the Orange to 52.3 points per game, including two games of 35 points or less ... last season, the Irish pulled out a 79-67 win over No. 21/23 SU at the Carrier Dome, posting their first road win over a ranked opponent since Jan. 30, 2005 (65-59 at No. 9/10 Connecticut) ... Notre Dame sophomore center Erica Williamson spent much of her formative years growing up in Rochester, N.Y., and won a state title at Honeoye Falls-Lima High School as a prep junior in 2005 before her family moved to Charlotte, N.C. that summer; last year, she posted her second career double-double in the win at Syracuse (her first game back in the area since her family moved away), finishing with 14 points and 11 rebounds ... Notre Dame sophomore forward Devereaux Peters and Syracuse sophomore guard Erica Morrow both played in the 2007 McDonald's High School All-America Game in Louisville; Peters had one point, five rebounds and two blocks as a reserve for the West squad, while Morrow came off the bench to tally four points, three rebounds and three steals for the East team, which earned a 105-76 victory at Freedom Hall.

Current Irish vs. Syracuse

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 8.0 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 2.0 APG, 1.5 SPG, .400 FG% (8-20)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 4.0 PPG, .667 FG% (2-3)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 12.0 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 3.5 APG, .450 FG% (9-20), .375 3FG% (3-8), 1.000 FT% (3-3)
Mallory	1 GP, 9.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, .500 FG% (3-6), .500 3FG% (3-6)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 18.0 PPG, 6.5 RPG, .448 FG% (13-29), .714 FT% (10-14)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 11.0 PPG, 11.0 RPG, 2.0 SPG, .462 FG% (6-13), .714 FT% (10-14)

Valparaiso Crusaders

Saturday, Dec. 13 • 1:35 p.m. CT
Valparaiso, Ind. • Athletics-Recreation Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 21-0



Location: Valparaiso, Ind.
Founded: 1859
Enrollment: 4,000
Colors: Brown and Gold
Conference: Horizon League
Arena (Capacity): Athletics-Recreation Center (5,000)

Athletics Director: Mark LaBarbera
Head Coach: Keith Freeman (Huntington '86)
Record at VU (Yrs.): 243-168 (14)
Career Record (Yrs.): 372-215 (20)
Assistants: Greg Kirby (William Jewell '69), Abby Scharlow (Wisconsin-Green Bay '05), Christy Smith (Arkansas '98)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 14-16 (9-9/5th)
Postseason: None
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/2
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Sarah Ott (F, Sr., 6-1); Agnieszka Kulaga (G, Sr., 5-6); Aimee Litka (F, Sr., 5-9); Launa Hochstetler (G, Sr., 5-6); Kelly Peller (F, Jr., 5-11)

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Notes: Notre Dame's 21-0 record against Valparaiso represents the most victories against one opponent without a loss in Irish history ... last year's 94-56 win at the Joyce Center was the largest for Notre Dame in the 21-game series and the most points ever scored by the Irish against the Crusaders ... it also was the largest margin of victory for Notre Dame against Valparaiso since Dec. 17, 1995 (a 90-44 win at the Joyce Center) ... Notre Dame is 9-0 all-time at Valparaiso, but the last three Irish wins at the Athletics-Recreation Center have been anything but easy, with all three decided by 10 points or less ... the 2007 win (a 60-59 decision) at the ARC was the closest in the series and came down to a free throw by Breona Gray with 1.2 seconds remaining ... the Irish have held VU to less than 69 points in every series meeting (and below 60 points in 18 of 21 contests), while Notre Dame has topped the 70-point mark 10 times in the past 14 matchups ... the 21 wins vs. Valparaiso are the most for Notre Dame against an Indiana opponent in school history (the Irish are 19-6 all-time against Butler, but haven't played the Bulldogs since 1999) ... VU was Notre Dame's first-ever opponent as a varsity women's basketball program, with the Irish defeating the Crusaders, 48-41 on Dec. 3, 1977 at the Joyce Center (in the first of three seasons the Irish spent as an AIAW Division III entity) ... Notre Dame junior guard Melissa Lechlitner and Valparaiso senior forward Aimee Litka were teammates at South Bend St. Joseph's High School from 2002-05, helping the Indians to the '05 Class 3A state title, as well as a runner-up finish in '03 ... Lechlitner, Litka and Irish sophomore forward Becca Bruszewski all developed through the Indiana Elite AAU program, which is based at Midwest Sports Academy in Mishawaka, Ind. ... Valparaiso sophomore forward Ashley Varner is a 2007 graduate of South Bend's Washington High School ... the Crusaders are in their second season in the Horizon League — Notre Dame is a former member of that league (1988-95) when it was known as the Midwestern Collegiate Conference ... aside from its series with VU, the Irish are 80-14 (.851) all-time against current Horizon League members, with a 39-9 (.813) mark outside of the Joyce Center; the last time Notre Dame set foot on a current Horizon League campus other than Valparaiso was Nov. 18, 1999, when the Irish took a 71-60 win at Butler.

Current Irish vs. Valparaiso

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 15.5 PPG, 5.5 RPG, 2.5 APG, 2.0 SPG, .636 FG% (14-22), .750 3FG% (3-4)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 5.0 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 1.000 FG% (2-2)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 4.5 PPG, 2.0 RPG, 5.0 APG, .286 FG% (2-7), .833 FT% (5-6)
Mallory	1 GP, 10.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 4.0 SPG, .333 FG% (2-6), 1.000 FT% (6-6)
Peters	1 GP, 10.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG, 3.0 BPG, .800 FG% (4-5), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 10.0 PPG, 5.5 RPG, 2.0 APG, 2.5 SPG, .471 FG% (8-17), .667 FT% (4-6)
Williamson	2 GP, 4.5 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .333 FG% (2-6), .833 FT% (5-6)

2008-09 Opponents

Vanderbilt Commodores

Tuesday, Dec. 30 • 7 p.m. CT
Nashville, Tenn. • Memorial Gymnasium
Notre Dame Leads Series 2-1



Location: Nashville, Tenn.
Founded: 1873
Enrollment: 6,532
Colors: Black and Gold
Conference: Southeastern
Arena (Capacity): Memorial Gymnasium (14,168)

Vice Chancellor (Athletes): David Williams II
Head Coach: Melanie Balcomb (Trenton State '84)
Record at VU (Yrs.): 146-52 (6)
Career Record (Yrs.): 309-156 (15)
Assistants: Vicky Picott (Rutgers '92), Lisa Cermignano (George Washington '97), Kim Rosamond (Mississippi '98)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 25-9 (11-3/3rd)
Postseason: NCAA regional semifinals (d. Montana 75-47; d. West Virginia 64-46; l. Maryland 80-66)
Final Ranking: 21st (AP)/15th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/1
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Christina Wirth (F/G, Sr., 6-1); Jennifer Risper (G, Sr., 5-9); Hannah Tuomi (F, So., 6-0); Jence Rhoads (G, So., 5-11); Merideth Marsh (G, Jr., 5-9)

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Notes: Notre Dame and Vanderbilt will meet for the first time since March 26, 2001, when the Irish defeated the Commodores, 72-64, in the NCAA Midwest Regional final at Denver's Pepsi Center; the win sent Notre Dame to the NCAA Final Four for the second time, and eventually led the Irish to their first national championship ... the two schools have not played in the regular season since Jan. 4, 1990, when the Irish took a 77-63 measure of the Commodores at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame will visit VU's Memorial Gymnasium for just the second time ever and first since Jan. 8, 1989, when the host Commodores notched an 86-64 victory ... Notre Dame is 4-21 (.080) all-time against Tennessee schools, with 20 of those losses coming to the state's flagship institution ... the Irish also are 2-14 (.125) when playing a team from the Volunteer State away from South Bend, although 12 of those defeats have come against Tennessee ... Notre Dame will be playing in the state of Tennessee for the first time since Dec. 30, 2006, when the Irish fell at Tennessee, 78-54 ... Notre Dame is 17-14 (.548) all-time in its final game before the start of the New Year, most recently closing out 2007 with an 82-39 win over Saint Francis (Pa.) at the Joyce Center ... two of the top players to come out of the state of Kentucky this fall are Irish freshman guard Natalie Novosel (Lexington Catholic HS) and Vanderbilt freshman guard Tia Gibbs (Louisville Butler Traditional HS); Gibbs wound up edging out Novosel for Kentucky Miss Basketball honors last year after leading her team to the state championship (Novosel's 29-5 LexCath team was upset by Henry Clay HS in the regional finals) ... VU assistant coach Lisa Cermignano was a member of the 1997 George Washington team that reached the NCAA East Regional finals in Columbia, S.C., before falling to Notre Dame, 62-52 ... Commodores' assistant coach Kim Rosamond has faced the Irish before, serving as an aide at Middle Tennessee from 2003-05 and helping the Blue Raiders to the second round of the 2004 NCAA Tournament before they fell to Notre Dame, 59-46, on March 23 at the Joyce Center.

Villanova Wildcats

Saturday, Jan. 24 • 2 p.m. ET
Villanova, Pa. • The Pavilion
Notre Dame Leads Series 15-8



Location: Villanova, Pa.
Founded: 1842
Enrollment: 6,240
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): The Pavilion (6,500)

Athletics Director: Vince Nicastro
Head Coach: Harry Perretta (Lycoming '78)
Record at VU (Yrs.): 553-329 (30)
Career Record (Yrs.): Same
Associate Head Coach: Joe Mullaney (Providence '78)
Assistants: Shanette Lee (Villanova '99), Heather Vulin (Minnesota-Morris '99)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 17-16 (5-11/T-11th)
Postseason: WNIT third round (d. American 53-52; d. Wisconsin 60-54; l. Colorado 64-58)
Final Ranking: Not ranked
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/1
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Lisa Karcic (F, Jr., 6-1); Laura Kurz (F, Sr., 6-1); Maria Getty (G, So., 5-9); Tia Grant (G, So., 5-11)

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Notes: The momentum swing in this series currently sits with Notre Dame, which has won two in a row over Villanova following a 69-58 victory last season at the Joyce Center ... the teams have split the past 10 meetings in the series after the Irish won 10 of the first 13 contests with the Wildcats ... Notre Dame owns a slim 6-5 edge over Villanova at The Pavilion, most recently chalking up a 75-58 victory in 2007 in what was the largest Irish win over the Wildcats since Dec. 6, 2000 (64-33 at the Joyce Center) ... the 75 points scored in that game also were the most for Notre Dame vs. VU since Feb. 28, 1999, when it posted an 83-53 win in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals at Piscataway, N.J. ... Notre Dame has scored at least 65 points in its last three games against Villanova after failing to do so in the previous seven contests ... the Irish have forced 44 VU turnovers in the past two series games, after the Wildcats came into both games ranked either first or second in the country in fewest turnovers ... last year, the Irish forced 24 Villanova turnovers, the most for the Wildcats in a single game since Dec. 1, 2001 (26 in a loss at Temple) ... Notre Dame also just missed tying the school record for free throw accuracy in last year's win, finishing 17-of-18 (.944) at the stripe against Villanova ... Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw is a native of West Chester, Pa., is a 1977 graduate of Saint Joseph's University, later spent two years as head coach at Archbishop Carroll High School in Radnor, Pa. (50-3 record) and two years as an assistant coach under Jim Foster at Saint Joseph's (1980-82), and is a member of three halls of fame in the Philadelphia area — the SJU Women's Basketball Hall of Fame (inducted 1986), the Philadelphia Big Five Hall of Fame (inducted 1990) and the SJU Athletics Hall of Fame (inducted 2002) ... Villanova senior forward Laura Kurz is the sister of former Notre Dame men's basketball forward Rob Kurz.

Current Irish vs. Villanova

Barlow	2 GP/2 GS, 15.5 PPG, 4.5 RPG, 4.5 SPG, .588 FG% (10-17), .833 FT% (10-12)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 2.0 PPG, .500 FG% (1-2)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 6.0 PPG, 1.5 RPG, 1.0 APG, 1.5 SPG, .429 FG% (6-14)
Mallory	1 GP, 3.0 PPG, 1.0 APG, .333 FG% (1-3), .500 3FG% (1-2)
Peters	1 GP, 15.0 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 7.0 SPG, 3.0 BPG, .625 FG% (5-8), 1.000 FT% (5-5)
Schrader	2 GP/2 GS, 14.0 PPG, 7.0 RPG, 2.0 APG, .611 FG% (11-18), .667 FT% (6-9)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 1.0 PPG, 1.5 RPG, 1.0 BPG, .200 FG% (1-5)

West Virginia Mountaineers

Monday, Mar. 2 • 3:30 p.m. ET
Notre Dame, Ind. • Joyce Center
Notre Dame Leads Series 15-2



Location: Morgantown, W.Va.
Founded: 1867
Enrollment: 28,113
Colors: Old Gold and Blue
Conference: BIG EAST
Arena (Capacity): WVU Coliseum (14,000)

Athletics Director: Ed Pastilong
Head Coach: Mike Carey (Salem '80)
Record at WVU (Yrs.): 132-86 (7)
Career Record (Yrs.): 420-188 (20)
Assistants: Chester Nichols (Greenville '97), Joanna Bernabei (West Liberty '97), George Porcha (George Mason '06)

2007-08 Record (Conf./Finish): 25-8 (12-4/)
Postseason: NCAA second round (d. New Mexico, 61-60, l. Vanderbilt, 64-46)
Final Ranking: 17th (AP)/20th (ESPN/USA Today)
Starters Returning/Lost: 1/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/7
Returning Starters (Pos., Yr., Ht.): Ashley Powell (G, Sr., 5-6)

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Notes: West Virginia snapped a four-game series losing streak against Notre Dame last season, defeating the Irish for only the second time in 17 games with a 56-50 victory in Morgantown ... the Irish trailed 31-11 at halftime, breaking a 27-year-old school record for the fewest points scored in one half ... still, Notre Dame trimmed that margin to a single point with 1:22 remaining before WVU salted away the game at the free throw line ... Notre Dame is 8-0 all-time against West Virginia at the Joyce Center, most recently logging a 77-67 victory on Feb. 4, 2007 (Super Bowl Sunday) at the Joyce Center ... in that win, the Irish tied a school record for free throws made (33), last set against George Washington on March 19, 2000 in the second round of the NCAA Tournament at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame has scored at least 70 points in 13 of 17 games against WVU, while limiting the Mountaineers to less than 60 points nine times ... Notre Dame has twice scored 100 points against WVU, the only BIG EAST opponent against whom the Irish have managed to hit triple digits multiple times ... in the past 12 series games, West Virginia has scored exactly within a 10-point window (54-64 points) 11 times, including two 54-point games and three 64-point outings ... the Irish are 25-6 (.806) on Senior Day, including an 18-3 (.857) record in the Muffet McGraw era; Notre Dame also has won 18 of its last 20 Senior Day outings, losing only to Villanova (48-45 in 2002) and Rutgers (76-60 in 2007) ... the unusual afternoon start time for a weekday game is necessary because the Irish men's basketball team is slated to play host to Villanova at 7 p.m. as part of ESPN's "Big Monday" telecast.

Current Irish vs. West Virginia

Barlow	2 GP/1 GS, 11.0 PPG, 7.0 RPG, 2.5 SPG, .353 FG% (6-17), .900 FT% (9-10)
Bruszewski	1 GP, 5.0 PPG, 4.0 RPG, .000 FG% (0-2), .833 FT% (5-6)
Lechlitner	2 GP, 3.5 PPG, 3.5 RPG, 2.5 APG, .133 FG% (2-15), .750 FT% (3-4)
Mallory	1 GP, 9.0 PPG, .429 FG% (3-7), .429 3FG% (3-7)
Peters	1 GP/1 GS, 2.0 PPG, 5.0 RPG, 3.0 SPG, .000 FG% (0-1), 1.000 FT% (2-2)
Schrader	2 GP/1 GS, 7.5 PPG, 4.5 RPG, .364 FG% (4-11)
Williamson	2 GP/1 GS, 4.5 PPG, 2.5 RPG, 1.5 BPG, .500 FT% (5-10)



Travel Plans

Notre Dame Travel Plans

Baton Rouge, La.

11/14 Depart via commercial flight to Baton Rouge
Baton Rouge Marriott
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Baton Rouge, LA 70808
(225) 924-5000

11/16 Game at LSU (1:30 p.m. CT)
Return following game via chartered flight

Chestnut Hill, Mass.

11/21 Depart via commercial flight to Boston
Boston Marriott Newton
2345 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02466
(617) 969-1000

11/23 Game at Boston College (2 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Ypsilanti, Mich.

12/1 Depart via luxury motor coach to Ypsilanti
Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest
1275 South Huron Street
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
(734) 487-2000

12/2 Game at Eastern Michigan (7 p.m. ET)
Return following game via luxury motor coach

Ann Arbor, Mich.

12/9 Depart via luxury motor coach to Ann Arbor
Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest
1275 South Huron Street
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
(734) 487-2000

12/10 Game at Michigan (7 p.m. ET)
Return following game via luxury motor coach

Valparaiso, Ind.

12/13 Depart via chartered bus to Valparaiso
Game at Valparaiso (1:35 p.m. CT)
Return following game via chartered bus

Charlotte, N.C./Nashville, Tenn.

12/27 Depart via commercial flight to Charlotte
Hilton Charlotte University Place
8629 JM Keynes Drive
Charlotte, NC 28262
(704) 547-7444

12/28 Game at Charlotte (2 p.m. ET)
Depart via commercial flight to Nashville
Loews Vanderbilt Hotel Nashville
2100 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 320-1700

12/29 Practice in Nashville

12/30 Game at Vanderbilt (7 p.m. CT)

12/31 Return via commercial flight

South Orange, N.J.

1/2 Depart via chartered flight to Newark
Hilton Newark Airport
1170 Spring Street
Elizabeth, NJ 07201
(908) 351-3900

1/3 Game at Seton Hall (Noon ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Chicago, Ill.

1/5 Depart via luxury motor coach to Chicago
Westin Michigan Avenue
909 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611
(866) 716-8104

1/6 Game at DePaul (8 p.m. CT)
Return following game via luxury motor coach

Milwaukee, Wis.

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(414) 271-7250

1/13 Game at Marquette (8 p.m. CT)
Return following game via luxury motor coach

Villanova, Pa.

1/23 Depart via chartered flight to Philadelphia
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1/24 Game at Villanova (2 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh
1000 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
(412) 281-3700

2/3 Game at Pittsburgh (7 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Tampa, Fla.

2/16 Depart via chartered flight to Tampa
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2/17 Game at South Florida (7 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Hartford, Conn.

2/21 Depart via chartered flight to Hartford
Marriott Hartford Downtown
200 Columbus Boulevard
Hartford, CT 06103
(860) 249-8000

2/22 Game at Connecticut (2 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

Providence, R.I.

2/27 Depart via chartered flight to Providence
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1 West Exchange Street
Providence, RI 02903
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2/28 Game at Providence (2 p.m. ET)
Return following game via chartered flight

NOTE: All travel plans are tentative and subject to change. For the latest travel information, please contact Assistant Sports Information Director Chris Masters at (574) 631-8032. As a reminder, all interviews with Irish players and coaches must be coordinated through Masters and no interviews may be conducted on game days prior to competition.



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