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Women's Basketball 2008-09

2001 NCAA Champions • 1997 NCAA Final Four
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2008-09 ND Women's Basketball: Game #3

#15/15 Notre Dame *Fighting Irish* (2-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST) vs.
Boston College *Eagles* (3-0 / 0-0 ACC)

◆**DATE**:	November 23, 2008	◆**RADIO**:	Pulse FM (96.9/92.1)
◆**TIME**:	2:00 p.m. ET		UND.com
◆**AT**:	Chestnut Hill, Mass		Bob Nagle, p-b-p
	Conte Forum (8,606)	◆**LIVE STATS**:	UND.com
◆**SERIES**:	ND leads 11-5	◆**TEXT ALERT**:	UND.com
◆**1ST MTG**:	BC 59-55 (12/30/83)	◆**TICKETS**:	(617) 552-4622
◆**LAST MTG**:	ND 88-58 (11/24/07)		

Storylines

- Notre Dame and Boston College will be meeting for the third time in the four seasons since the Eagles left the BIG EAST to join the ACC.
- The Irish are seeking their first 3-0 start since the 2005-06 season.

The ties that bind will bring Notre Dame back to face a second consecutive former conference opponent as the 15th-ranked Irish square off with former BIG EAST rival Boston College Sunday at 2 p.m. (ET) inside Conte Forum in Chestnut Hill, Mass. It will be Notre Dame's first visit back to the BC campus since the Eagles departed for the Atlantic Coast Conference four seasons ago.

The Irish (2-0) picked up their second win in as many outings this year, leading almost all the way in a 96-61 victory over Evansville on Wednesday night at the Joyce Center. Notre Dame used a 22-6 run midway through the first half to put the game on ice, with the frenetic Irish defense once again leading the way with 31 turnovers (cashed in for 41 points on the offensive end).

Junior guard **Ashley Barlow** tossed in a game-high 19 points, while sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** chalked up her third career-high scoring effort in five games with 18 points.

Rankings

- Notre Dame is ranked 15th in the current editions of both the Associated Press poll and ESPN/*USA Today* coaches' poll.
- Boston College is not ranked.

Web Sites

- Notre Dame: http://www.UND.com
- Boston College: http://www.bceagles.com
- BIG EAST: http://www.bigeast.org
- ACC: http://www.theacc.com

Setting The Standard

Under the guidance of 22nd-year head coach **Muffet McGraw**, Notre Dame has evolved into one of the country's leading women's basketball powers. The Irish have appeared in 15 NCAA Tournaments (including a current streak of 13 in a row) and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 seven times in the past 12 years. Notre Dame also has reached the NCAA Women's Final Four twice, winning college basketball's ultimate prize with the 2001 national championship.

In its history, Notre Dame has developed nine All-Americans, 10 WNBA players (including seven draft picks in the past eight years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 32nd season in 2008-09, the Irish own an all-time record of **640-287 (.690)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

Saint Joseph's '77

- 22nd season at Notre Dame
  - 476-188 (.717) at Notre Dame.
  - 564-228 (.712) in 27 years as head coach.

NOTES

- 2001 consensus National Coach of the Year
- Four-time Naismith Coach of the Year finalist
- Four-time conference Coach of the Year
  - BIG EAST Conference (2001)
  - Midwestern Collegiate Conference (1991)
  - North Star Conference (1988)
  - East Coast Conference (@ Lehigh) (1983)

2008-09 Schedule

2-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST

N5	*Gannon (exhibition)*	*W, 96-30*
N16	(16/14) @ LSU (24/22)[1-ESPN2]	W, 62-53
N19	(15/15) Evansville	W, 96-61
N23	**@ Boston College**	**2:00 ET**
N25	Georgia Southern	7:00 ET
N29	Michigan State	2:00 ET
D2	@ Eastern Michigan	7:00 ET
D7	Purdue	2:00 ET
D10	@ Michigan[BTN]	7:00 ET
D13	@ Valparaiso	1:35 CT
D20	Loyola-Chicago	2:00 ET
D28	@ Charlotte[ESPNU]	2:00 ET
D30	@ Vanderbilt	7:00 CT
J3	• @ Seton Hall	Noon ET
J6	• @ DePaul[CBS CS]	8:00 CT
J10	• Georgetown	7:00 ET
J13	• @ Marquette[CBS CS]	8:00 CT
J17	• St. John's	2:00 ET
J24	• @ Villanova	2:00 ET
J27	• Rutgers[CBS CS]	8:00 ET
J31	• Cincinnati	2:00 ET
F3	• @ Pittsburgh	7:00 ET
F8	• DePaul[ESPNU]	2:00 ET
F11	• Louisville	7:00 ET
F17	• @ South Florida	7:00 ET
F22	• @ Connecticut[ESPNU]	2:00 ET
F24	• Syracuse	7:00 ET
F28	• @ Providence	2:00 ET
M2	• West Virginia	3:30 ET
M6	BIG EAST 1st Round[2]	TBA
M7	BIG EAST 2nd Round[2-BETV]	TBA
M8	BIG EAST Quarterfinal[2-ESPNU]	TBA
M9	BIG EAST Semifinal[2-ESPNU]	6/8:00 ET
M10	BIG EAST Final[2-ESPN]	7:00 ET
M22	NCAA 1st Round[3-ESPN/ESPN2]	TBA
M24	NCAA 2nd Round[3-ESPN/ESPN2]	TBA
M28	NCAA Regional Semifinal[4-ESPN]	TBA
M29	NCAA Regional Semifinal[4-ESPN]	TBA
M30	NCAA Regional Final[4-ESPN]	TBA
M31	NCAA Regional Final[4-ESPN]	TBA
A5	NCAA National Semifinals[5-ESPN]	TBA
A7	NCAA Championship Game[5-ESPN]	TBA

(x) = numbers before opponent name indicate ND rank in AP/ESPN-USA Today polls; numbers after are opponent rank.

• = BIG EAST Conference game
1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)
2 = BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn.)
3 = NCAA First/Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind.)
4 = Regionals to be played at: Berkeley (Calif.), Oklahoma City, Raleigh (N.C.) and Trenton (N.J.)
5 = NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo.)

ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised on ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU
CBS CS = Game to be televised on CBS College Sports
BETV = Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package
BTN = Game to be televised on Big Ten Network
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All times local to site and subject to change

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup (c = captain)

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
14	Devereaux Peters	F	6-2	So.	9.0	5.0	2.0 bpg	• 12 pts (6-7 FG) in 28 min at LSU
32	Becca Bruszewski	F	6-1	So.	12.0	3.5	3.0 spg	• Dbl-fig pts 3 of last 5 (career-high 18p vs. UE)
20	Ashley Barlow (C)	G	5-9	Jr.	19.0	5.5	3.0 spg	• Game-high 19 pts in each of first 2 gms
23	Melissa Lechlitner (C)	G	5-7	Jr.	6.5	3.5	4.5 apg	• 8 assists/2 turnovers in past 3 halves
24	Lindsay Schrader (C)	G	6-0	Sr.	12.5	6.5	2.5 apg	• 22.5 ppg vs BC (career-high 29 in '06)
Off the Bench For the Irish								
1	Erica Solomon	F	6-2	Fr.	5.0	2.5	1.0 bpg	• Solid producer off bench (6 pts at LSU)
10	Kellie Watson	F	6-2	Fr.	1.5	1.0	1.0 apg	• 3 pts, 2 blks, 2 stl, 2 asst vs. Evansville
12	Fraderica Miller	G	5-10	Fr.	1.0	0.0	0.5 spg	• 1st career pts on layup vs. Evansville
21	Natalie Novosel	G	5-11	Fr.	4.0	2.5	2.0 apg	• 6 pts, 4 asst (0 TO) against Evansville
22	Brittany Mallory	G	5-10	So.	11.0	2.0	6.0 apg	• Career-high 6a (0 TO) in 20 min vs. UE
52	Erica Williamson	C	6-4	Jr.	3.0	2.5	0.5 apg	• 8th ND history in blocks per gm (1.15)

Pronunciations: Bruszewski (broo-SHEFF-skee); Fraderica (fruh-DARE-uh-kuh); Lechlitner (LECK-light-ner); Novosel (KNOW-vuh-sell)

A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

Following two seasons of impressive growth and development, Notre Dame has constructed a firm foundation upon which to build its next championship contender. The Irish enter the 2008-09 season on the heels of a seventh trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 and a highly-competitive effort in that regional semifinal that has players, coaches and followers optimistic that even greater success may be on the horizon.

Notre Dame has three starters and seven monogram winners returning this season from a squad that ranked among the top 10 in the country in scoring offense (8th - 76.2 ppg) and scoring margin (10th - +14.6 ppg) a year ago. The Irish also have many of the pieces back from the '07-08 club that led the BIG EAST in steals for the second consecutive year (school-record 397, 11.68 per game) and forced an opponent-record 737 turnovers.

Perhaps it's no surprise that Notre Dame's present upward mobility has coincided with the arrival of its current junior class, including guards and co-captains **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitner**. Barlow earned honorable mention all-BIG EAST status last year and is the team's top returning scorer (12.1 ppg), while also setting the defensive tone with a team-high 68 steals last season. Meanwhile, Lechlitner (5.5 ppg, 2.6 apg) assumes the mantle of leadership from the point guard position after two consistent years as a reliable understudy to Tulyah Gaines.

The Irish also should benefit from the veteran experience and guidance of senior guard and co-captain **Lindsay Schrader**, who joined Barlow on last year's BIG EAST honorable mention squad after logging 10.3 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game. She earned similar status this fall in preseason voting by the conference coaches and gives Notre Dame a unique blend of toughness and determination that has become the common thread running through the team's recent resurgence.

The Irish sophomore class proved to be an exceptional complement to their predecessors last season, led by forward **Devereaux Peters** (9.0 ppg, 5.6 rpg, 2.0 bpg), who was a BIG EAST All-Freshman Team choice despite missing the final 11 games of the year with a knee injury. Guard **Brittany Mallory** (6.3 ppg, 34 3FG) joined Peters on the conference's all-rookie squad, while forward **Becca Bruszewski** (5.0 ppg, 2.5 rpg) may be the team's most improved player heading into this season after a scintillating three-game NCAA Tournament performance that included a season-high 16 points against both SMU and Tennessee.

LAST IRISH GAME

#15 Notre Dame 96, Evansville 61
November 19, 2008
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Evansville (61)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Jennings	29	2-8	1-2	2-2	1	1	1	7
Novosel, S.	22	2-6	0-2	3-4	5	1	3	7
Austin	24	4-9	1-2	1-2	3	1	2	10
Barrett	22	4-10	2-6	0-1	5	0	2	10
Gallagher	31	3-8	0-2	2-2	5	3	1	8
Sickles	13	3-5	1-1	3-4	7	0	2	10
Falkenstein	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Batey	9	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Sperka	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
Nakane	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Singleton	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Bamberger	27	2-5	1-3	2-2	4	2	2	7
Benson	8	0-1	0-0	2-2	4	0	1	2
Team					3			
Totals	**200**	**20-54**	**6-18**	**15-19**	**42**	**9**	**15**	**61**

Notre Dame (96)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Peters	17	3-5	0-0	0-0	4	1	3	6
Bruszewski	19	7-9	2-2	2-2	4	0	2	18
Barlow	31	7-18	3-5	2-2	6	0	1	19
Lechlitner	26	5-9	1-2	0-0	2	4	1	11
Schrader	26	5-8	0-0	2-2	7	4	1	12
Solomon	15	2-3	0-0	0-0	3	2	3	4
Watson	13	1-8	1-4	0-0	2	2	1	3
Miller	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Novosel, N.	21	3-7	0-2	0-0	3	4	1	6
Mallory	20	5-10	0-4	1-2	2	6	3	11
Williamson	8	0-1	0-0	4-4	1	0	1	4
Team					2			
Totals	**200**	**39-79**	**7-19**	**11-12**	**36**	**23**	**17**	**96**

Evansville	**31**	**30**	**—**	**61**
Notre Dame	**49**	**47**	**—**	**96**

FG Pct: Evansville 37.0, Notre Dame 49.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Evansville 33.3, Notre Dame 36.8. **FT Pct:** Evansville 78.9, Notre Dame 91.7. **Turnovers:** Evansville 31, Notre Dame 8. **Blocked Shots:** Evansville 2 (S. Novosel 2), Notre Dame 7 (Watson 2). **Steals:** Evansville 6 (Gallagher 3), Notre Dame 17 (Bruszewski, Barlow 4). **Attendance:** 5,696.

Potent Notables About The Irish

- Notre Dame is among the nation's winningest programs during the past 12 seasons (1996-97 to present), ranking seventh with 294 victories.

Winningest Teams (1996-97 to present)	
398	Connecticut
390	Tennessee
347	Duke
318	Louisiana Tech
317	Old Dominion
306	Purdue
◆294	**NOTRE DAME**
288	UC Santa Barbara
277	Texas Tech

- For the eighth consecutive year, Notre Dame ranked among the nation's Top 20 in attendance, placing ninth in 2007-08 with an average of 7,016 fans to its 16 home games (including three of the top six crowds in school history and two sellouts). The Irish also have drawn 5,000-or-more fans to 111 of their last 113 home games, including five Joyce Center sellouts of 11,418 (most recently on Jan. 27, 2008 vs. Connecticut).
- The Irish have become a regular fixture in the WNBA Draft in recent years, as seven Notre Dame players have been selected in the past eight seasons. **Charel Allen** was the most recent Irish player to be chosen, going to the Sacramento Monarchs in the third round (43rd overall pick) of the 2008 WNBA Draft. Allen, **Megan Duffy** (New York) and **Ruth Riley** (San Antonio) all were active in the league during the '08 season, with all three teams making the playoffs (San Antonio made the WNBA Finals, while New York was the Eastern Conference runner-up). Three of Notre Dame's eight WNBA alums have won a total of four league championships — Riley won a pair of crowns with the Detroit Shock (2003 Finals MVP, 2006), **Coquese Washington** toiled for the 2000 Houston Comets, while **Jacqueline Batteast** was Riley's teammate on the '06 title-winning squad in Detroit.
- For the third year in a row, the Irish posted a perfect 100-percent Graduation Success

Covering the Irish

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Media Services

The official Notre Dame athletics web site contains schedules, rosters, updated statistics and some historical information from previous seasons. High-resolution color headshots and action photos of Notre Dame players, coaches and staff are available upon request.

Official Notre Dame athletics web site:
• http://www.UND.com

In-Season Interview Policy

All requests for Notre Dame player, coach or staff interviews must be made through **Chris Masters** and 24 hours' notice is appreciated. Please be aware that student-athletes' academic obligations always take precedence before any interview requests.

Media members also may speak to Irish team personnel before or after practice sessions. While most practices are open to the media, some may be closed at the coaching staff's discretion — contact **Chris Masters** for the latest practice schedule and availability.

On game days, no interviews will be granted with any Notre Dame player or coach prior to competition.

Credentials / Parking

Season credentials will be issued to all media covering the Irish on a regular basis. Please note — any Notre Dame men's basketball season credential also offers access to all Irish women's basketball games.

For single-game credentials, contact **Chris Masters** no later than 24 hours before tipoff. Credential requests may be submitted via phone, fax or e-mail. Passes will be left at the media will call entrance (Gate 1) of the Joyce Center.

Parking is free for all Irish women's basketball games in the large lot south of the Joyce Center. Due to construction in the vicinity of the arena, there are no designated parking lots or specific parking passes for media members.

Credentials remain the property of the University of Notre Dame and may be revoked at any time.

Game Notes

Notre Dame's game notes package is completed and made available on-line through the official Irish athletics web site during the season, usually at least one day prior to tipoff. Notre Dame's game notes are in Adobe PDF format and will be distributed via *electronic means only* (e-mail or web). Fax distribution is by request only.

Please contact **Chris Masters** if you wish to be added to the e-mail distribution list for Notre Dame's regular women's basketball releases.

Gameday Services

Gameday packages containing game notes, programs and other information will be available in the press box prior to all home contests. A pre-game meal also will be served in the arena level media room (exit court via Gate 8 ramp behind visitors' bench, make first right, enter first door on right) beginning 75 minutes before tipoff.

A bank of statistics monitors is located on press row for the media's convenience. Final statistics books include an official NCAA box score and play-by-play. Telephone, copier and fax services are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The Joyce Center also offers wireless Internet capability — check with **Chris Masters** for access.

Post-Game Interviews

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Hammes Basketball Auditorium, located between Gates 1 & 2 on the first floor of the Joyce Center (exit floor via Gate 1 ramp to right of press row, go straight and turn right at the Notre Dame women's basketball office; auditorium entrance will be on your left).

Media members should submit player requests for post-game interviews to **Chris Masters** at the final media timeout of the second half.

Around the BIG EAST

2008-09 Standings (through Nov. 21)

	BIG EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Marquette	0	0	3	0
Seton Hall	0	0	3	0
South Florida	0	0	3	0
♦(15/15) NOTRE DAME	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0**
(1/1) Connecticut	0	0	2	0
Georgetown	0	0	2	0
(9/10) Louisville	0	0	2	0
St. John's	0	0	2	0
DePaul	0	0	3	1
(3/2) Rutgers	0	0	2	1
Syracuse	0	0	2	1
Villanova	0	0	2	1
West Virginia	0	0	2	1
Cincinnati	0	0	1	1
Pittsburgh	0	0	1	1
Providence	0	0	1	1

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

Player of the Week

Selections begin Nov. 24

Freshman of the Week

Selections begin Nov. 24

Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Saturday, November 22

Louisville at Xavier	Noon
Seton Hall Classic (South Orange, N.J.)	
UMBC/Northern Illinois at Seton Hall	1/3:00p
Rhode Island at Connecticut (@Hartford)	1:00p
Portland State at Syracuse	1:00p
St. John's at Manhattan	2:00p
Central Michigan at Georgetown	3:00p
KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Classic (Iowa City, Iowa)	
Providence vs. Portland	3:30p
DePaul Invitational (Chicago, Ill.)	
Duke/Hartford at DePaul	6:30/8:30p
Florida International at West Virginia	7:00p

Sunday, November 23

KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Classic (Iowa City, Iowa)	
Providence at Iowa/vs. Boston University	1/3:30p
Notre Dame at Boston College	**2:00p**
Toledo at Cincinnati	2:00p
Marquette at Western Michigan	2:00p
Coppin State at South Florida	2:00p
Rutgers at Stanford	4:00p

Monday, November 24

Penn State at Pittsburgh	7:00p

Tuesday, November 25

Georgia Southern at Notre Dame	**7:00p**
Army at St. John's	7:00p
Hampton at Georgetown	8:00p
Connecticut at BYU	9:00p
Louisville at Utah	9:30p
Great Alaska Shootout (Anchorage, Alaska)	
Syracuse vs. Jackson State	11:59p

• - indicates BIG EAST Conference game
All times Eastern and subject to change

Rate (GSR), according to figures released by the NCAA in October 2008. Notre Dame also was one of only four teams with a perfect '07 GSR to advance to the 2008 NCAA Sweet 16 (joining Oklahoma State, Tennessee and Vanderbilt). Furthermore, since **Muffet McGraw** became the Irish head coach in 1987, every Notre Dame women's basketball player that has completed her athletic and academic eligibility at the University has graduated (a 57-for-57 success rate).

A Quick Look At Boston College

Under the guidance of first-year head coach **Sylvia Crawley** and the leadership of two rapidly-developing post players in **Stefanie Murphy** and **Carolyn Swords**, Boston College has its sights set on growing from last year's third-round appearance in the WNIT and bringing the Eagles' program back to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2006.

BC is off to a 3-0 start in the Crawley era, having posted comfortable double-digits wins over Saint Francis (Pa.) (99-68), Holy Cross (82-69) and Hofstra (71-60) during the first week of the season. In those three victories, the Eagles have done a good part of their damage in the paint, outrebounding their opponents by more than 13 boards per game (45.3-32.0) and shooting .466 from the field.

However, Boston College is far from a one-trick pony, as Thursday's win over Hofstra proved. Junior guard **Mickel Picco** and **Ayla Brown** tallied a game-high 16 points apiece, with Picco hitting 4-of-6 three-point tries and Brown adding seven rebounds. Swords complemented the backcourt pair with 14 points and nine rebounds, coming on the heels of a dominating 33-point, 15-rebound effort in the win at Holy Cross.

Swords is averaging a double-double through those first three games, registering 21.7 points and 10.0 rebounds a night on .750 shooting (30-of-40). Picco is second on the team in scoring (15.3 ppg.) with a team-best .467 three-point percentage (7-of-15), while Murphy is logging 11.0 points and 7.7 rebounds per game.

Crawley was hired at Boston College during the offseason after a successful two-year run at the helm of Ohio University. While in Athens, Ohio, she led the Bobcats to a 38-25 (.603) record, including a berth in the '08 Mid-American Conference Tournament championship game, the first for OU in 22 years. Crawley will face Notre Dame for the first time as a head coach on Sunday afternoon.

The Notre Dame-Boston College Series

Notre Dame holds an 11-5 series lead on Boston College (3-4 in Chestnut Hill) in a rivalry that dates back to the 1983-84 season. The vast majority of the games in the series (13 of 16) were played when the Irish and Eagles were members of the BIG EAST Conference from 1995-96 through 2004-05. In that time, Notre Dame went 10-3 against BC, including a 3-3 record at Conte Forum.

This year's game is the third in four years for the Irish and Eagles since Boston College joined the Atlantic Coast Conference. The teams split the previous two encounters, with BC winning 78-61 in the first round of the 2006 NCAA Tournament (at West Lafayette, Ind.), and Notre Dame prevailing by an 88-58 score last year at the Joyce Center. Sunday's game is the back half of a regular-season home-and-home series between the two most prominent Catholic Division I institutions in the country.

LAST IRISH GAME vs. BOSTON COLLEGE

#23/24 Notre Dame 88, Boston College 58
November 24, 2007
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Boston College (58)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Miles	12	2-4	1-1	0-0	1	2	1	5
Swords	34	3-7	0-0	5-6	9	1	4	11
Brown	29	3-9	0-3	2-2	4	1	4	8
Thoman	13	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	3	2
Picco	25	1-4	0-2	0-0	0	2	0	2
Jones	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	1	0
Pratt	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Kentish	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Rusin	19	2-4	0-0	1-2	3	0	1	5
Johnson	26	0-5	0-1	7-8	3	3	4	7
Whitehurst	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Murphy	22	7-12	0-0	4-4	10	1	4	18
Wilson	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					6			
Totals	**200**	**19-48**	**1-8**	**19-22**	**40**	**13**	**23**	**58**

Notre Dame (88)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Gaines	24	3-5	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	6
Allen	29	5-12	0-2	5-6	1	8	1	15
Barlow	24	4-9	1-3	4-4	7	3	2	13
Schrader	28	7-12	0-0	2-6	8	1	1	16
Tsipis	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Peters	18	2-4	0-0	0-0	2	3	3	4
Mallory	14	4-10	2-6	3-4	1	0	1	13
Lechlitner	22	1-6	0-2	0-0	3	1	0	2
Bruszewski	11	4-5	0-0	1-2	5	0	3	5
Williamson	13	2-6	0-0	1-2	5	0	3	5
Team					1			
Totals	**200**	**34-73**	**3-13**	**17-27**	**37**	**20**	**18**	**88**

Boston College	**30**	**28**	**—**	**58**
Notre Dame	**46**	**42**	**—**	**88**

FG Pct: Boston College 39.6, Notre Dame 46.6. **3-PT FG Pct:** Boston College 12.5, Notre Dame 23.1. **FT Pct:** Boston College 86.4, Notre Dame 63.0. **Turnovers:** Boston College 33, Notre Dame 13. **Blocked Shots:** Boston College 2, Notre Dame 2. **Steals:** Boston College 5 (Brown 2), Notre Dame 21 (Allen 5). **Attendance:** 5,960.

The Last Time Notre Dame And Boston College Met

Notre Dame knocked Boston College out of its game plan with a pressing defense, forcing the Eagles into 33 turnovers.

The No. 23/24 Fighting Irish (4-1) got 41 points off the turnovers en route to an 88-58 victory on Nov. 24, 2007, at the Joyce Center. The Irish opened a 10-point lead in less than five minutes and the Eagles never got any closer.

Five Irish players scored in double figures, led by **Lindsay Schrader** with 16 points, **Charel Allen** with 15 and **Ashley Barlow** and **Brittany Mallory** with 13 each. **Becca Bruszewski** added 10 points.

Stefanie Murphy led the Eagles (2-2) with 18 points and **Carolyn Swords** added 11 points and nine rebounds.

Allen scored six points to help Notre Dame take a 14-4 lead as Boston College struggled against full-court pressure, turning the ball over four times in the first five minutes. The Irish went ahead 38-20 when Mallory hit a three-pointer

with 4:13 left in the second half and led 46-30 at the half.

The Eagles scored two quick baskets by Murphy and **Mickel Picco** to start the second half and cut Notre Dame's lead to 46-34. However, the Irish defense quickly forced four turnovers, sparking a 9-0 run to regain control.

Other ND-Boston College Series Tidbits

- Notre Dame earned a 54-47 victory in its last visit to Conte Forum on Feb. 15, 2005. The win over the No. 22/25 Eagles was the last road victory over a Top 25 opponent for the Irish prior to this year's 62-53 win at No. 24/22 LSU in the season-opening State Farm Tip-Off Classic.
- In their last five matchups, the Irish have held BC to less than 60 points four times and winning each time. The only exception was the Eagles' 78-61 victory in the first round of the 2006 NCAA Tournament.
- In last season's 88-58 Irish win at the Joyce Center, Notre Dame posted the largest margin of victory by either side in the series, topping BC's 28-point win (76-48) on Jan. 29, 2003 in Chestnut Hill.
- Notre Dame's 88 points last season were the most for the Irish against Boston College since Feb. 12, 1997, when they registered a 91-64 victory in South Bend.
- Notre Dame sophomore forward **Devereaux Peters** and Boston College senior guard **Brittanny 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.
- **Maureen Leahy**, the sister of former Irish forward (and 2001 national championship team member) **Meaghan Leahy**, played at Boston College from 2000-01 through 2003-04.

Notre Dame vs. The Atlantic Coast Conference

Notre Dame is 39-17 (.696) all-time against the current alignment of the Atlantic Coast Conference, with a 14-10 (.583) record on the campus of current ACC members.

Not surprisingly, the three most common ACC opponents are th three schools that migrated from the BIG EAST to the ACC in the past few years — Boston College (11-5), Miami-Fla. (14-3) and Virginia Tech (5-1). Take that trio out of the mix and Notre Dame is 9-8 all-time against the other longer-tenured ACC schools.

ND vs. ACC

	Overall	Road
◆BC	**11-5**	**3-4**
CLEM	0-0	0-0
DUKE	4-1	1-1
FSU	0-0	0-0
GT	1-0	1-0
MD	1-4	1-2
MIAMI	14-3	7-1
UNC	2-1	0-0
NCST	1-0	0-0
UVA	0-2	0-1
VT	5-1	1-1
WFU	0-0	0-0
TOTAL	**39-17 (.696)**	**14-10 (.583)**

The Irish faced a pair of ACC squads last season, falling 75-59 at Maryland in the semifinals of the Preseason WNIT (Nov. 16, 2007), but coming back eight days later to defeat Boston College, 88-58 at the Joyce Center.

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked 08-09	Weeks Ranked All Time
Nov. 1, 2008 (Pre)	374	16	1	160
Nov. 17, 2008	459	15	2	161
SEASON HIGHS	**459**	**15**		

ESPN/*USA Today*/WBCA Coaches' Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked 08-09	Weeks Ranked All Time
Nov. 5, 2008 (Pre)	294	14	1	152
Nov. 18, 2008	367	15	2	153
SEASON HIGHS	**367**	**14**		

The last time Notre Dame visited an ACC school other than one of the three recent transplants was almost 11 years ago to the day on Nov. 22, 1997, when the Irish fell at Duke, 80-62.

Piping Hot Turnovers

After forcing an opponent-record 737 turnovers (21.7 per game) last season, Notre Dame is at it again early this year, causing 49 turnovers (24.5 per game) in its first two outings, including 31 in the home opener vs. Evansville on Wednesday night. The majority of those turnovers have come via Irish steals, with Notre Dame registering 29 thefts (14.5 per game) after leading the BIG EAST Conference in that category each of the past two seasons.

The Upper Hand

In its first two games of the season, Notre Dame has trailed for all of 1:09 and not by more than one possession. LSU had a 20-18 lead on the visiting Irish at the 4:46 mark of the first half on Nov. 16 (State Farm Tip-Off Classic) before senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** answered with a layup on the ensuing possession.

On Wednesday night, Evansville scored the opening points of the game on an old-fashioned three-point play, but sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** erased that deficit 45 seconds later with a three-pointer.

Becca's A Bruiser

Sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** showed a hint of the promise to come late last season, chalking up a (then) career-high 16 points in two of her three NCAA Tournament games (first round vs. SMU, regional semifinal vs. Tennessee).

That improvement has carried over into this season, as the Valparaiso, Ind., native has earned her way into the Irish starting lineup and has not disappointed. On Wednesday against Evansville, she poured in a career-best 18 points, knocking down 7-of-9 shots from the field, including both of her three-point attempts. The latter statistic was particularly noteworthy, considering she was just 1-of-2 from beyond the arc during her entire freshman season.

Game #2 Recap: Evansville

Junior guard **Ashley Barlow** scored 19 points and No. 15 Notre Dame's defense forced 31 turnovers in a 96-61 victory over Evansville on Wednesday night at the Joyce Center.

National Polls

Associated Press Poll

• November 17, 2008: Poll #2

	Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1	**◆Connecticut (45)**	**1-0**	**1,125**	**1**
2	Oklahoma	1-0	1,018	4
3	**◆Rutgers**	**1-0**	**1,010**	**5**
4	North Carolina	2-0	963	6
5	Tennessee	1-0	931	7
6	Duke	2-0	900	8
7	California	2-0	788	9
8	Stanford	1-0	764	2
9	**◆Louisville**	**2-0**	**724**	**10**
10	Baylor	2-0	698	19
11	Maryland	1-1	680	3
12	Texas A&M	2-0	658	11
13	**◆Vanderbilt**	**2-0**	**603**	**12**
14	Texas	3-0	519	13
15	***NOTRE DAME***	***1-0***	***459***	***16***
16	Virginia	1-0	440	15
17	Ohio State	2-0	361	18
18	Arizona State	2-0	345	17
19	Oklahoma State	0-1	291	14
20	Auburn	1-0	258	20
21	**◆Purdue**	**1-0**	**178**	**23**
22	Florida State	1-0	173	21
23	Xavier	2-0	152	22
24	TCU	2-0	148	—
25	Old Dominion	2-0	106	25

Others Receiving Votes: **◆Michigan State 49**, Iowa State 45, **◆Pittsburgh 41**, Marist 39, **◆LSU 32**, **◆Marquette 28**, Utah 24, Georgia 20, Georgia Tech 17, **◆Syracuse 12**, **◆DePaul 8**, George Washington 7, Kansas State 6, Arkansas 2, Gonzaga 2, Montana 1.

ESPN/USA Today/WBCA Coaches' Poll

• November 18, 2008: Poll #2

	Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1	**◆Connecticut (31)**	**1-0**	**775**	**1**
2	**◆Rutgers**	**1-0**	**707**	**3**
3	North Carolina	3-0	692	4
4	Oklahoma	1-0	671	7
5	Duke	2-0	611	8
6	California	2-0	574	9
7	Texas A&M	2-0	531	10
8	Stanford	1-1	498	2
9	Baylor	2-0	489	17
10	**◆Louisville**	**2-0**	**484**	**11**
11	Virginia	2-0	452	15
12	**◆Vanderbilt**	**2-0**	**445**	**12**
13	Tennessee	1-1	422	6
14	Texas	3-0	419	13
15	***NOTRE DAME***	***1-0***	***367***	***14***
16	Maryland	1-1	331	5
17	Arizona State	2-0	263	18
18	Ohio State	2-0	209	19
19	Oklahoma State	0-1	208	15
20	Auburn	2-0	190	21
21	Florida State	1-0	128	24
22	Xavier	2-0	77	—
23	Georgia	1-0	73	25
24	(tie) Iowa State	1-0	52	—
	(tie) Old Dominion	2-1	52	20

Others Receiving Votes: **◆Purdue 48**, **◆LSU 46**, **◆Pittsburgh 40**, TCU 37, **◆Syracuse 31**, Kansas State 31, Marist 27, Utah 24, **◆Marquette 22**, Georgia Tech 10, Hartford 7, Nebraska 7, East Carolina 4, Gonzaga 4, Iowa 3, **◆Michigan State 3**, Texas Tech 3, Minnesota 2, Montana 2, New Mexico 2, Liberty 1, Southern Mississippi 1.

LW = last week
◆ = 2008-09 Notre Dame opponent

Boston College Series

Notre Dame Leads Series 11-5

Date	Site	Result	Score
12/30/83	Chestnut Hill[1]	L	55-59
1/6/96	Notre Dame	W	80-51
1/7/97	Chestnut Hill	W	61-57
2/12/97	Notre Dame	W	91-64
1/17/98	Chestnut Hill	L	76-78
12/30/98	Chestnut Hill	L	65-78
2/3/99	Notre Dame	W	74-59
2/5/00	Notre Dame	W	72-59
2/3/01	Chestnut Hill	W	81-65
2/10/02	Notre Dame	W	60-44
1/29/03	Chestnut Hill	L	48-76
1/31/04	Notre Dame	W	52-50
2/2/05	Notre Dame	W	64-57
2/15/05	Chestnut Hill	W	54-47
3/19/06	W. Lafayette, Ind.[2]	L	61-78
11/24/07	Notre Dame	W	88-58

1 = Nike Christmas Classic
2 = NCAA Tournament Albuquerque Region (First Round)

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	1,082	67.6
Boston College	980	61.3

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 1 game
Muffet McGraw vs. Boston College: 11-4
Sylvia Crawley vs. Notre Dame: First meeting
McGraw vs. Crawley: First meeting
ND Biggest Win: 30 (88-58 on 11/24/07)
BC Biggest Win: 28 (76-48 on 1/29/03)
ND Longest Win Streak: 4 (1999-2002)
BC Longest Win Streak: 2 (1998)

THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ND	BC
2008-09 record	2-0	3-0
AP/ESPN-*USA Today* rank	15/15	—
SCORING		
Points scored per game	79.0	84.0
Points allowed per game	57.0	65.7
Field goal percentage	.476	.466
Three-point percentage	.391	.429
Free throw percentage	.744	.639
REBOUNDING		
Rebounds per game	37.0	45.3
Opponent rebs. per game	37.0	32.0
Rebounding margin	0.0	+13.3
OTHER		
Assists per game	16.0	20.0
Turnovers per game	14.5	17.3
Assist/turnover ratio	1.10	1.15
Blocked shots per game	5.5	3.7
Steals per game	14.5	8.7

Sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** added a career-high 18 points in the home opener for the Irish (2-0). **Ashley Austin**, **Anaris Sickles** and **Ashlee Barrett** each scored 10 points to lead the Purple Aces (1-1).

UE had eight turnovers in the first 8 minutes, and Notre Dame used a 15-3 run early in the first half to jump out to a 27-10 lead. The Irish increased their lead to 22 points with 7:20 left in the half following an 11-0 run. The Purple Aces had 16 turnovers in the first half, and Notre Dame increased its 49-31 halftime lead to 30 points with 6:55 to play after a 13-2 run.

Noting The Evansville Game

- Notre Dame wins its home opener for the 14th consecutive year (coinciding exactly with its membership in the BIG EAST Conference) and improves to 24-8 (.750) all-time in Joyce Center lidlifters.
- The Irish move to 25-2 (.926) against the current Missouri Valley Conference alignment, including a 12-1 (.923) record at home; the Irish also are 16-1 against current MVC schools in the **Muffet McGraw** era (1987-88 to present).
- Notre Dame stretches its series lead over Evansville to 19-1 (10-0 at home) in its first game against the Purple Aces since Feb. 12, 1994 (an 89-62 Irish win in Evansville).
- Notre Dame's 96 points also were a series high-water mark, three more than in its 93-48 victory on Jan. 20, 1994, at the Joyce Center.
- The Irish connected on 7-of-19 three-point attempts, their highest number of treys made and attempted in a game since Jan. 16, 2007 (7-of-22 against St. John's at the Joyce Center).
- The Irish added to their ongoing totals when leading at halftime (147-14, .913, since the start of the 2000-01 season) and scoring at least 80 points (115-4, .966, beginning with the 1995-96 campaign).
- Notre Dame now has won 72 of its last 78 non-conference home games (.923).
- The Irish also move to 112-32 (.778) all-time against other in-state opponents, including a 54-11 (.831) record at home; what's more, Notre Dame has won 12 of its last 15 games against Indiana schools.
- In just her second career start, sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** tossed in a career-high 18 points (7-9 FG), including a pair of first-half three-pointers after going 1-for-2 from distance her entire freshman year.
- Sophomore guard **Brittany Mallory** dished out a career-high six assists without a turnover in 20 minutes.
- The Irish had five double-figure scorers for the first time this season; they were 9-0 in such games last year.
- In the sisterly battle between Irish freshman guard **Natalie Novosel** and UE senior center **Shannon Novosel**, "big sis" narrowly edged out a lead in the scoring (7-6) and rebounding (5-3) columns, while Natalie held the upper hand in assists (4-1); Shannon played 22 minutes, while Natalie saw 21 minutes of action.

Polling Station

Notre Dame is ranked 15th in this week's Associated Press poll, up one spot from its preseason ranking. It's the 22nd consecutive AP poll appearance for the Irish, which opened last season at No. 24 and rose as high as ninth on March 3, marking the eight time in the past 12 seasons (1996-97 through 2007-08) that the Irish have reached the AP Top 10.

AP Poll Appearances
Active D-I Coaches

1.	Summitt (Tenn)	544
2.	Landers (UGa)	431
3.	Stringer (RU)	378
12.	Blair (TAMU)	192
13.	**◆McGraw (ND)**	**161**
14.	Larry (ODU)	145

All-Time D-I Coaches

1.	Summitt (Tenn)	544
2.	Landers (UGa)	431
3.	Conradt (Texas)	395
23.	Sanderford (WKU)	182
24.	Washington (KU)	176
25.	**◆McGraw (ND)**	**161**

NOTE: through Nov. 17 AP poll

Notre Dame also has been ranked in the AP poll for 161 weeks during the program's 32-year history, with every one of those appearances coming in the **Muffet McGraw** era (since 1987-88). McGraw ranks 13th among all active NCAA Division I head coaches for weeks in the AP poll, and also stands 25th all-time in that category.

In addition, the Irish earned their 22n dconsecutive ranking in the ESPN/*USA Today*/WBCA coaches' poll, placing 15th this week (down one spot from the preseason balloting). Notre Dame ended last year at No. 13, its highest ranking of the 2007-08 season, and has appeared in the coaches' poll for 153 weeks during its history (all coming during McGraw's tenure).

More Polling Data

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is one of 23 people in NCAA Division I women's basketball history who have both played for and coached a team that has appeared in the Associated Press Top 25 poll.

AP Poll Appearances As Player & Coach
(active coaches only)

June Daugherty (Wash. St.)
Nell Fortner (Auburn)
MaChelle Joseph (Ga. Tech)
Wendy Larry (ODU)
Joanne McCallie (Duke)
Kathy McConnell-Miller (Colo.)
◆Muffet McGraw (ND)
Kim Mulkey (Baylor)
Bev Smith (Oregon)
Dawn Staley (S. Carolina)
Charli Turner Thorne (Ariz. St.)

NOTES: only current teams listed … all coaches shown have made AP poll with current teams except Daugherty (did so at Washington) and Staley (at Temple) … Larry and Smith are coaching at their alma maters.

Besides her 161 AP poll appearances while coaching at Notre Dame, McGraw was the starting point guard at Saint Joseph's (Pa.) as a senior in 1977, helping the Hawks rise to No. 3 in the nation. Of the 23 people on this list, 11 currently are NCAA Division I head coaches (see accompanying chart).

Irish Fourth In BIG EAST Preseason Poll

The Notre Dame women's basketball team has been projected to finish fourth in the BIG EAST Conference this season, according to a preseason vote of the league's 16 head coaches that was announced during the 2008 BIG EAST Women's Basketball Media Day on Oct. 23 at the ESPN Zone in New York City.

The Irish collected 182 points, with Connecticut (14 first-place votes, 224 points), Rutgers (one first-place vote, 201 points) and Louisville (one first-place vote, 200 points) joining Notre Dame in the top four.

In addition, senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** was chosen as a Preseason All-BIG EAST Honorable Mention selection, one of 14 players to garner preseason all-conference status. Schrader averaged 10.3 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game last season while scoring in double figures 21 times.

A 2008 honorable mention all-BIG EAST selection, Schrader is one of three starters and seven monogram winners back for the Irish from last year's 25-9 club that finished fourth in the BIG EAST and advanced to the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16 for the seventh time in the past 12 seasons.

Half And Half

During the past nine seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 147-14 (.913) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 75 of their last 83 such contests.

This season, Notre Dame is 1-0 when up at the break, doing so in Wednesday's home opener against Evansville. Last year, the Irish went 22-2 when they led at the break, failing only to do so in their two postseason losses (BIG EAST quarterfinal vs. Pittsburgh, NCAA Oklahoma City Regional semifinal vs. Tennessee), although the UT lead marked the first time Notre Dame was up on the Lady Vols at the half in 20 series games.

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense…

During the past 14 seasons (1995-96 to present), Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 185-12 (.939) record when they hold their opponents below 60 points in a game.

Notre Dame added its first tally of the season to this ledger with its seaso-opening 62-53 win at LSU in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic on Nov. 16.

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

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past 14 seasons (since 1995-96), the Irish are 115-4 (.966) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995, a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998, and an 81-80 loss to DePaul in 2008.

Notre Dame notched its first 80-point game of the season in Wednesday's 96-61 win over Evansville. Last season, the Irish won 14 of 15 games when reaching the 80-point mark.

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 163 of their last 184 games (.886) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 93-15 (.861) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 72 of their last 78 non-BIG EAST contests (.923) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. Four of the losses in that span came at the hands of Big Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54), Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT) and Indiana in 2006 (54-51) — with the other two defeats coming to Tennessee in 2005 (62-51) and 2008 (87-63). The Purdue loss also snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 313-82 (.792) record at the venerable facility. Three times (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish went a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Irish Have New Home On The Dial

On Aug. 27, 2008, the Notre Dame athletics department announced it had partnered with the LeSEA Broadcasting Network, making Pulse FM (96.9/92.1) the new radio home of Notre Dame women's basketball in the South Bend market.

LeSEA now originates all Notre Dame women's basketball games, with those events carried on Pulse FM (96.9/92.1), marking the first time since the 1998-99 season that the Irish are heard on an FM station. Combined, these two stations blanket the nation's No. 89 media market (South Bend-Elkhart), covering a 21-county area in northern Indiana and southwest Michigan that contains more than 1.35 million listeners (better than 800,000 in the greater South Bend area alone). All told, Notre Dame's new women's basketball network stretches from Kalamazoo, Mich., to the north, North Judson, Ind., to the west, Macy, Ind., (home of former Irish All-America center **Ruth Riley**) to the south, and LaGrange, Ind., to the east.

Women's basketball game broadcasts also continue to be streamed live and free of charge on Notre Dame's official athletics Web site (*UND.com*) through the Fighting Irish All-Access multimedia package.

The new agreement includes extensive Notre Dame athletics promotion aired on a combination of the LeSEA stations.

Bob Nagle, the voice of Notre Dame women's basketball from 1996-97 through 1998-99 (including the program's first NCAA Final Four berth in 1997), returns as the play-by-play voice of the Irish this season.

Notre Dame On The Small Screen

Notre Dame will have at least 19 regular-

2008-09 Trends

Day of the Week	
Sunday	1-0
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	0-0
Wednesday	1-0
Thursday	0-0
Friday	0-0
Saturday	0-0

Time of Game	
Day games (before 6 p.m local time)	1-0
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	1-0

Location	
Home games	1-0
Road games	1-0
Neutral site games	0-0

Halftime score	
Leading at the half	1-0
Tied at the half	1-0
Trailing at the half	0-0

Individual scoring	
Two or fewer double-figure scorers	0-0
Three double-figure scorers	1-0
Four double-figure scorers	0-0
Five or more double-figure scorers	1-0

Rebounding margin	
Grab more rebounds than opponents	1-0
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	0-0
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	1-0

Field goal shooting	
Higher pct. than opponent	2-0
Lower pct. than opponent	0-0
Shoot 45% or better	1-0
Shoot less than 45%	1-0
Hold opponent under 40%	2-0

Free throw margin	
Make more free throws	1-0
Make same number of free throws	0-0
Make fewer free throws	1-0

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

Miscellaneous	
Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/*USA Today* polls)	1-0
On television	1-0
In white jerseys	1-0
In alternate white jerseys	0-0
In blue jerseys	1-0
In green jerseys	0-0

Margin of Victory	
1-5 points	0-0
6-10 points	1-0
11-15 points	0-0
16-20 points	0-0
21+ points	1-0
In overtime games	0-0

Conference Affiliation	
Atlantic Coast	0-0
Atlantic 10	0-0
BIG EAST	0-0
Big Ten	0-0
Horizon League	0-0
Mid-American	0-0
Missouri Valley	1-0
Southeastern	1-0
Southern	0-0

Month	
November	2-0
December	0-0
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0

Academics

Notre Dame Student-Athletes Rank Among Nation's Best

Whether measured by the federal government in its Department of Education report (the 18th edition came out this fall) or by the NCAA through its newer Graduation Success Rate (GSR) numbers, graduation rates for Notre Dame student-athletes rank among the national leaders in all major categories among all major football-playing colleges and universities.

Notre Dame led the nation in the GSR ratings for all student-athletes (at 98, tied with the United States Naval Academy), while also ranking first in both the GSR and federal standings for female student-athletes (100 GSR, 93 federal) — as well as first in the federal listing for black student-athletes (84). Both the federal graduation-rate figures and the GSR numbers for Notre Dame student-athletes found the Irish ranked fourth or better nationally in five major categories among the 119 football-playing institutions in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A).

Listing all student-athletes in all sports, Notre Dame tied for first among the Bowl Subdivision football schools in the GSR figures, initiated in 2005 by the NCAA. The University's 98 percent GSR for all its student-athletes matched that for the U.S. Naval Academy. Using the federal formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 89 percent of its student-athletes, second-best in the nation.

Notre Dame graduated 93 percent of all women competing in varsity athletics, to rank first among its peer institutions (tied with Northwestern) based on the federal calculations. Among men, Notre Dame's 87 percent federal rate was second, while the school also graduated 84 percent of its black student-athletes, ranking first based on the federal rate.

In the GSR standings, in addition to its number-one ranking for all student-athletes, Notre Dame tied for first among female student-athletes at 100 (Vanderbilt and the U.S. Naval Academy also finished at 100), second among male student-athletes at 97 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98), and second among black student-athletes at 96 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98).

The NCAA also calculated graduation rates over a 10-year period (student-athletes who entered from 1992-93 through 2001-02). During those 10 years, Notre Dame had 627 student-athletes who exhausted their eligibility — and 100 percent of them graduated within the allotted six-year period, a figure only Northwestern can match.

Academic All-Americans

Entering the 2008-09 academic year, Notre Dame ranks second in the nation with 201 Academic All-America® selections, including 32 in the past three years alone. The Academic All-America® Program is administered by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), whose membership votes on the award winners, and the program is sponsored by *ESPN The Magazine*.

The Notre Dame women's basketball program has produced five Academic All-America® honorees in its 32-year history, with those five players winning a total of seven citations. In addition, two-time first-team Academic All-America® pick **Ruth Riley** was tapped as the 2001 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year. Riley also is one of only 10 student-athletes in Notre Dame history to earn All-American and Academic All-America® honors twice in her career.

Megan Duffy was the latest honoree in 2006, when she was named a first-team Academic All-America® selection, becoming the second Irish player ever to attain that distinction. Duffy graduated in May 2006 with a 3.576 grade-point average (GPA) and a degree in psychology and computer applications from Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also garnered dean's list honors in four of her final five semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005, fall 2005).

ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

Megan Duffy	2006 (First Team)
Maggie Lally	1980, 1981 (Second Team)
Shari Matvey	1981 (Second Team)
Ruth Riley	2000, 2001* (First Team)
Mary Beth Schueth	1983 (Second Team)

** = also Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year and Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year*

season games televised during the upcoming 2008-09 season. Highlighting this year's broadcast schedule are eight nationally-televised Irish women's basketball contests, including four games on the ESPN family of networks (beginning with the Nov. 16 State Farm Tip-Off Classic win at LSU, which aired on ESPN2 and ESPN360.com) and three others on CBS College Sports.

In addition, Notre Dame continues to expand its broadcast reach globally on the Internet. All 11 Irish regular-season home games that have not been selected for commercial TV coverage will air live on the official Notre Dame athletics web site, *UND.com*, via the site's free multimedia package, Fighting Irish All-Access.

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01 and continuing through this year, Notre Dame has played in 117 televised games, including 67 that were broadcast nationally.

Oh Captain, My Captain

Senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** and junior guards **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitner** are team captains for the 2008-09 season. All three players are serving as captains for the first time in their careers, and each received the captain's honor following a vote of their teammates prior to the season.

Irish In The Pink (Zone) All Season Long

Notre Dame is proud to be a participant in the second annual Pink Zone initiative, created by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) in order to heighten breast cancer awareness and raise money for research towards finding a cure for the disease.

Throughout the 2008-09 season, the Irish will take part in several activities centered around the Pink Zone initiative, including:

- Open Practice/Tip-Off Luncheon - On Oct. 19, the Irish open the doors to one of their preseason practice sessions and allowed approximately 600 season ticket holders to watch the team prepare for the upcoming season. A luncheon with the team followed and a total of $3,311 was raised.
- Three-Point Pledge - Fans can pledge an amount to donate for every three-pointer the Irish make this season. Pledge cards are available at the Joyce Center Gate 10 marketing table prior to each home game.
- Beanie Bears/Calendars - The Irish are collecting a $5 donation for every special-edition Notre Dame women's basketball beanie bear and team calendar sold during the season.
- T-Shirt Sales - Specially-commissioned "Irish Believe" pink t-shirts are on sale in the Hammes Bookstore and Varsity Shop on the Notre Dame campus. Proceeds from the sales of the t-shirt will go to breast cancer awareness and research.
- Brittany and Becca's Class - Sophomores **Brittany Mallory** and **Becca Bruszewski** currently are taking a management class in Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business under the guidance of **Chuck Lennon**, an Irish women's basketball season ticket holder, as well as Associate Vice President for University Relations and Executive Director of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. This class has been focusing on ways to help promote and enhance the Pink Zone initiative on the Notre Dame campus and will debut their ideas at the Purdue game on Dec. 7.
- Pink Zone Challenge - The Irish women's basketball program has challenged some of the other top-drawing teams in the country to a friendly fund-raising competition to see which school can raise the most money for breast cancer awareness and research during the WBCA's designated Pink Zone games (Feb. 13-22, 2009). A total of 15 schools from among the top 20 in last year's final NCAA attendance rankings have committed for this inaugural challenge — Baylor, Connecticut, Duke, LSU, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri State, New Mexico, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Penn State, Purdue, Tennessee, Texas Tech and Vanderbilt. The school raising the most money during their specific Pink Zone game will earn the first-ever Pink Zone Challenge Trophy, to be commissioned by Notre Dame and awarded during the WBCA National Convention, to be held April 3-7, 2009, at the NCAA Women's Final Four in St. Louis.
- Game Day (Feb. 8 vs. DePaul) - The Irish have selected their Feb. 8 home game against DePaul as Notre Dame's Pink Zone game, presented by Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center. The Irish will take the court in white, pink and navy uniforms, specially-designed by the school's official athletics apparel provider, adidas. The first 2,000 fans in attendance will receive a free pink Irish t-shirt, compliments of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, and pink pom-poms, balloons and posters will fill the crowd. In addition, breast cancer survivors will be recognized on the court during a special halftime ceremony. What's more, should Notre Dame sell out this game, the Irish will donate an additional $10,000 to the Pink Zone initiative.

Proceeds from all of Notre Dame's Pink Zone events this season will go to the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund, as well as three local charities — Women's Task Force, Young Survivors Group and Secret Sisters Society. For more information on the WBCA's Pink Zone initiative, log on to the WBCA's official web site at *www.wbca.org*.

ND To Host NCAA Tourney Games in 2009

Notre Dame's Joyce Center will serve as one of 16 host sites for first- and second-round games in this year's NCAA Championship on March 22 & 24.

All-session tickets for this year's NCAA Championship games at the Joyce Center are available by contacting the Notre Dame athletics ticket office (574-631-7356).

Notre Dame has played in the NCAA Championship on its home floor five times before, most recently defeating Southwest Missouri State (now Missouri State) and Middle Tennessee in 2004 to make the program's sixth NCAA Sweet 16 appearance. All told, the Irish are 6-1 in NCAA tourney play at the Joyce

Center, winning six in a row since an 81-76 first-round loss to Minnesota in 1994.

Irish Fans Crave Another Big Mac Attack

After a wildly-successful debut last season, Notre Dame is bringing back its "Big Mac" promotion for 2008-09, offering fans a coupon for a free Big Mac from South Bend-area McDonald's restaurants if the Irish score at least 88 points in a game.

ND's "Big Mac Baskets"

2008-09	
*Gannon	Novosel FT
Evansville	Solomon FG
2007-08	
*S. Indiana	Williamson FG
*Hillsdale	Mallory FT
Miami (Ohio)	Barlow FG
Boston Coll.	Mallory FG
Canisius	Mallory 3FG
Valparaiso	Mallory FT
Marquette	Allen FG
S. Florida	Schrader FG

** - exhibition game*

It hasn't take long for the burger watch to fire back up again this year, as Notre Dame topped the 88-point mark in both its lone exhibition game (96-30 win over Gannon on Nov. 5) and its regular-season opener (96-61 win over Evansville on Wednesday night).

Last year, the Irish reached the magic number eight times, doing so in both exhibition wins, along with regular-season victories over Miami (Ohio), Boston College, Canisius, Valparaiso, Marquette and South Florida.

It should come as no surprise that in the short history of the promotion, the Notre Dame player with the most "Big Mac" baskets shares the same initials with the tasty burger — sophomore guard **Brittany Mallory**, who was sent the crowd home happy (and presumably with full bellies) four times.

This season, it's been the Irish freshmen who have taken on the "Big Mac" mantle of responsibility, with guard **Natalie Novosel** doing the honors in the Gannon exhibition win and forward **Erica Solomon** putting Notre Dame over the top against Evansville.

The Final Countdown

Less than 500 tickets remain for the Dec. 7 game with in-state rival Purdue at the Joyce Center (2 p.m. ET tipoff). Should that allotment be exhausted, it would represent the sixth women's basketball sellout (11,418 capacity) in school history and the third in the past two seasons.

Last year, Notre Dame sold out its games against Tennessee and Connecticut, and nearly did the same for the Michigan contest, drawing 10,825 fans for that game.

Joyce Center Arena Renovation Underway

On Sept. 13, 2008, groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Purcell Pavilion, including the Joyce Center arena addition and renovation, were held to kick off the first phase of the two-year project to upgrade the home for Notre Dame basketball and volleyball.

The first phase of the project, that began in September 2008, involves construction of a new three-story structure at the south end of the arena. That structure will include a new three-story lobby, the Notre Dame ticket operations (approximately 4,500 square feet) and a varsity shop to sell apparel and souvenirs (approximately 3,000 square feet), in addition to a new club seating and hospitality area.

Replacement of the existing Joyce Center arena seating, including installation of chair-back seating throughout the arena, is expected to take place after the University's Commencement Exercises in May 2009. The entire project is scheduled for completion in January 2010. The arena is expected to re-open by mid-October 2009, in time for the start of the basketball season and the end of the volleyball season.

The University announced in October 2007 that this $26.3 million project had received a $12.5 million leadership gift from Notre Dame alumnus and Trustee **Philip J. Purcell III**, the retired chairman and chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley.

Exterior changes to the Joyce Center that began taking shape in September include a new, three-story addition on the south end of the current structure. The third floor area will include the stadium club/hospitality area. The first-floor addition will include almost 4,500 square feet for ticket offices (including four exterior and 10 interior tickets windows), 3,000 square feet for the varsity shop, as well as a completely new main entrance and lobby situated between Gates 8 and 10. The new entrance will feature graphics and theming that highlight Notre Dame's competing athletic programs.

Changes to the interior of the Joyce Center arena include:

- New, blue chair-back seating from top to bottom of the arena, including all-new upper-arena sections. All seating will be replaced in the lower bowl (including platform seats), and the wooden bleachers in the upper bowl will be removed and replaced with treads and risers and permanent arena seats. The exchange of the bleacher sections for chair back seats will change the capacity from the current 11,418 to approximately 9,800.
- A stadium club/hospitality area (approximately 16,500 square feet) in the south end of the arena, with a separate, private entry and with premium club seating for nearly 800 fans (that figure is part of the projected 9,800 capacity). Included in this area will be food service and restroom facilities.
- New fixed concession areas, increased numbers of women's restrooms and increased handicapped seating options.
- The interior seating changes provide an opportunity to consider new options for student seating. Students currently sit in both lower- and upper-arena sections behind the basket on the east end of the arena.

Next Game: Georgia Southern

It's a quick turnaround for Notre Dame as the Irish return home Tuesday for a 7 p.m. (ET) non-conference game with Georgia Southern at the Joyce Center. It will mark the first-ever meeting between Notre Dame and the Eagles in women's basketball.

GSU (2-1) opened this season with wins at home over Brewton-Parker (93-44) and on the road at Florida Atlantic (83-67) before falling at home to 20th-ranked Auburn, 71-45, on Wednesday night. The Eagles were slated to host to UNC-Asheville Saturday afternoon.

2008-09 Signees

University of Notre Dame head women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw has announced that two talented high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their academic and athletic careers with the Irish, signing a National Letter of Intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2009 **Skylar Diggins**, a 5-9 guard from South Bend, Ind., and a student-athlete at Washington High School, and **Kaila Turner**, a 5-8 guard from Joliet, Ill., and a student-athlete at Marian Catholic High School in Chicago Heights, Ill., both made their official commitments to Notre Dame during the early signing period, which ended Nov. 19.

A smooth, high-scoring southpaw who already is one of the top 20 all-time scorers in the storied history of Indiana high school basketball, Diggins is considered by all major recruiting services to be the top guard in this year's high school senior class and is rated as high as No. 2 in the nation (*Blue Star Basketball*). In addition, *All-Star Girls Report*, *Dan Olson Collegiate Girls Basketball Report* and ESPN Hoopgurlz each rank Diggins third in the country, with Hoopgurlz awarding her that outlet's highest marks ever for a point guard.

Meanwhile, Turner is a speedy, athletic player who can fill either guard position. She is ranked among the top 20 players at her position by all major recruiting services and is among the top 100 players in the nation overall, peaking a No. 82 by both *Blue Star Basketball* and *All-Star Girls Report*.

The combination of Diggins and Turner has given Notre Dame a Top 25 recruiting class for the 13th consecutive year. *Dan Olson Collegiate Girls Basketball Report* rates the incoming Irish duo as the 13th-best class in the country, while *All-Star Girls Report* has the Notre Dame pair rated 14th, ESPN Hoopgurlz positions them at No. 15, and *Blue Star Basketball* ranks the Irish tandem at No. 18. Only two other schools in the country (Connecticut and Tennessee) came into the 2008-09 early signing period with a 12-year streak like the Irish.

A capsule look at the newest additions to the Notre Dame women's basketball program follows:

SKYLAR DIGGINS, 5-9, G (South Bend, Ind./Washington)

Statistics/Records: Entering fourth year as starter at Washington High School (combined record of 76-6, .927) in South Bend, Ind., where she has played for coaches Marilyn Coddens and Maurice Scott ... started 81 of 82 games she played in during in her first three seasons ... helped team reach Indiana Class 4A state championship game each year (won title in her sophomore season of 2006-07) ... career averages (entering senior season) of 24.8 points, 5.6 rebounds, 5.4 assists, 4.1 steals and 1.3 blocks per game ... holds school records for career points (2,036, 19th in state history), single-season points, rebounds, assists, steals and blocks ... career single-game highs of 43 points, 17 rebounds (Indiana Class 4A state championship game record), 11 assists and nine blocks ... enjoyed extensive AAU career playing for South Bend Soldiers and The Family.

USA Basketball: Two-time USA Basketball gold medalist ... started all five games at 2008 FIBA U18 Americas Championship in Buenos Aires, Argentina, leading United States to perfect 5-0 record and gold medal; averaged 10.8 ppg. (second on team), 3.2 rpg., 3.6 apg. (first on team) and 2.0 spg. (tied-first on team).

Awards/Honors: Two-time high school All-American by *Parade Magazine* (first team 2008; third team 2007) and EA Sports (first team 2008; second team 2007) ... *USA Today* All-USA Team (2008) ... *USA Today* All-Underclass Team (2006) ... 2008 Gatorade State Player of the Year ... MaxPreps Indiana Player of the Year/first-team All-American (2008) ... three-time Associated Press all-state selection (first team in 2007, 2008; third team in 2006) and coaches' all-state choice (first team 2007, 2008; second team 2006) ... three-time *South Bend Tribune* Metro All-Area selection (2006, 2007, 2008).

KAILA TURNER, 5-8, G (Joliet, Ill./Marian Catholic)

Statistics/Records: Three-year starter at Marian Catholic High School (combined record of 75-20, .789) in Chicago Heights, Ill., where she is coached by Annie Basic ... career averages of 10.0 ppg., 3.2 apg., 2.5 rpg., with .343 3FG% (81-236) ... played AAU ball for Illinois Wolverines 16U Black, where she was coached by Ron Newquist.

Awards/Honors: Second-team Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) all-state (2008) ... *Times of Northwest Indiana* Illinois Player of the Year (2008) ... two-time first-team all-area selection by *Times of Northwest Indiana*, *Illinois Times* and *Daily Southtown* (2007, 2008).

Notre Dame Incoming Class of 2009

Skylar Diggins	5-9, G, South Bend, Ind. (Washington HS)
Kaila Turner	5-8, G, Joliet, Ill. (Marian Catholic HS)

2008-09 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 2-0 (Home: 1-0, Away: 1-0, Neutral: 0-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0

								----- Notre Dame Highs -----			
Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	Time/Result	Streak	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 16	16/14	24/22	at LSU[1-ESPN2]	W 62-53	W1	1-0		Barlow-19	two with 6	Lechlitner-5	7,954
Nov. 19	15/15		EVANSVILLE	W 96-61	W2	2-0		Barlow-19	Schrader-7	Mallory-6	5,696
Nov. 23			at Boston College	2 p.m. ET							
Nov. 25			GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7 p.m. ET							
Nov. 29			MICHIGAN STATE	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 2			at Eastern Michigan	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 7			PURDUE	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 10			at Michigan[BTN]	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 13			at Valparaiso	1:35 p.m. CT							
Dec. 20			LOYOLA-CHICAGO	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 28			at Charlotte[ESPNU]	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 30			at Vanderbilt	7 p.m. CT							
Jan. 3			• at Seton Hall	Noon ET							
Jan. 6			• at DePaul[CBS CS]	8 p.m. CT							
Jan. 10			• GEORGETOWN	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 13			• at Marquette[CBS CS]	8 p.m. CT							
Jan. 17			• ST. JOHN'S	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 24			• at Villanova	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 27			• RUTGERS[CBS CS]	8 p.m. ET							
Jan. 31			• CINCINNATI	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 3			• at Pittsburgh	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 8			• DEPAUL[ESPNU]	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 11			• LOUISVILLE	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 17			• at South Florida	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 22			• at Connecticut[ESPNU]	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 24			• SYRACUSE	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 28			• at Providence	2 p.m. ET							
March 2			• WEST VIRGINIA	3:30 p.m. ET							

BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn. — XL Center)

March 6	First Round	TBA
March 7	Second Round[BIG EAST TV]	TBA
March 8	Quarterfinals[ESPNU]	TBA
March 9	Semifinals[ESPNU]	6/8 p.m. ET
March 10	Final[ESPN]	7 p.m. ET

NCAA Championship — First & Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind. — Joyce Center)

March 22	First Round[ESPN/ESPN2]	TBA
March 24	Second Round[ESPN/ESPN2]	TBA

NCAA Regionals (Berkeley, Calif./Oklahoma City, Okla./Raleigh, N.C./Trenton, N.J.)

March 28-29	Regional Semifinals[ESPN]	TBA
March 30-31	Regional Finals[ESPN]	TBA

NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo. — Scottrade Center)

April 5	National Semifinals[ESPN]	TBA
April 7	National Championship[ESPN]	TBA

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game
NR = national ranking (listed as Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today)
ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised live on ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPNU
CBS CS = Game to be televised live on CBS College Sports
BIG EAST TV = Game to be televised live as part of BIG EAST-Regional Sports Networks package
BTN = Game to be televised live on the Big Ten Network
NOTE: All home games not scheduled for commercial TV broadcast will air live on UND.com
Home games listed in ALL CAPS and played at Joyce Center (capacity 11,418)

2008-09 ATTENDANCE

	Totals	Avg.	High
All Games:	13,650	6,825	7,954 (11/16 - LSU)
Home:	5,696	5,696	5,696 (11/19 - UE)
Away:	7,954	7,954	7,954 (11/16 - LSU)
Neutral:			

2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 2-0 (Home: 1-0, Away: 1-0, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	2-2	66-33.0	14-31	.452	5-9	.556	5-6	.833	2	9	11	5.5	3-0	0	5	0	6	38	19.0
Schrader, Lindsay	2-2	59-29.5	10-20	.500	0-0	.000	5-7	.714	2	11	13	6.5	3-0	5	7	1	5	25	12.5
Bruszewski, Becca	2-2	38-19.0	8-12	.667	2-2	1.000	6-6	1.000	2	5	7	3.5	6-0	0	2	1	6	24	12.0
Mallory, Brittany	1-0	20-20.0	5-10	.500	0-4	.000	1-2	.500	1	1	2	2.0	3-0	6	0	0	2	11	11.0
Peters, Devereaux	2-1	45-22.5	9-12	.750	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	3	7	10	5.0	5-0	3	3	4	3	18	9.0
Lechlitner, Melissa	2-2	62-31.0	6-15	.400	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	2	5	7	3.5	1-0	9	5	0	2	13	6.5
Solomon, Erica	2-0	26-13.0	3-6	.500	0-0	.000	4-6	.667	2	3	5	2.5	6-0	2	1	2	2	10	5.0
Novosel, Natalie	2-0	38-19.0	3-7	.429	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	3	2	5	2.5	2-0	4	3	1	0	8	4.0
Williamson, Erica	2-1	27-13.5	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	6-7	.857	3	2	5	2.5	4-0	1	1	0	0	6	3.0
Watson, Kellie	2-0	14-7.0	1-8	.125	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	2	0	2	1.0	1-0	2	1	2	2	3	1.5
Miller, Fraderica	2-0	5-2.5	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	1.0
Team									2	5	7	3.5			1				
Notre Dame	**2**	**400**	**60-126**	**.476**	**9-23**	**.391**	**29-39**	**.744**	**24**	**50**	**74**	**37.0**	**34-0**	**32**	**29**	**11**	**29**	**158**	**79.0**
Opponents	2	400	38-107	.355	6-22	.273	32-40	.800	24	50	74	37.0	34-1	19	49	4	17	114	57.0

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 2, Opponents 3

Score by Periods	1st	2nd		Total
Notre Dame	73	85	—	158
Opponents	55	59	—	114

2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Road Games

Overall Record: 1-0 (Away: 1-0, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	1-1	35-35.0	7-13	.538	2-4	.500	3-4	.750	0	5	5	5.0	2-0	0	4	0	2	19	19.0
Schrader, Lindsay	1-1	33-33.0	5-12	.417	0-0	.000	3-5	.600	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	1	5	0	3	13	13.0
Peters, Devereaux	1-0	28-28.0	6-7	.857	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	2	2	3	3	12	12.0
Bruszewski, Becca	1-1	19-19.0	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	0	3	3	3.0	4-0	0	0	0	2	6	6.0
Solomon, Erica	1-0	11-11.0	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	4-6	.667	1	1	2	2.0	3-0	0	1	1	1	6	6.0
Lechlitner, Melissa	1-1	36-36.0	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	4	5	5.0	0-0	5	4	0	1	2	2.0
Novosel, Natalie	1-0	17-17.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	1	2	2.0	1-0	0	3	0	0	2	2.0
Williamson, Erica	1-1	19-19.0	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	2	2	4	4.0	3-0	1	1	0	0	2	2.0
Miller, Fraderica	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Watson, Kellie	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team									1	4	5	5.0			1				
Notre Dame	**1**	**200**	**21-47**	**.447**	**2-4**	**.500**	**18-27**	**.667**	**10**	**28**	**38**	**38.0**	**17-0**	**9**	**21**	**4**	**12**	**62**	**62.0**
Opponents	1	200	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9	23	32	32.0	19-1	10	18	2	11	53	53.0

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 2, Opponents 2

Score by Periods	1st	2nd		Total
Notre Dame	24	38	—	62
Opponents	24	29	—	53

2008-09 Single Game Highs & Lows

Team Superlatives

NOTRE DAME HIGH	NOTRE DAME LOW	CATEGORY	OPPONENT HIGH	OPPONENT LOW
96 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	62 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Points/Game**	61 by Evansville (11/19/08)	53 by LSU (11/16/08)
49 (1st) vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	24 (1st) at LSU (11/16/08)	**Points/Half**	31 (1st) by Evansville (11/19/08)	24 (1st) by LSU (11/16/08)
39 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	21 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Field Goals Made**	20 by Evansville (11/19/08)	18 by LSU (11/16/08)
79 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	47 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Field Goal Attempts**	54 by Evansville (11/19/08)	53 by LSU (11/16/08)
.494 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	.447 at LSU (11/16/08)	**FG Percentage**	.370 by Evansville (11/19/08)	.340 by LSU (11/16/08)
7 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	2 at LSU (11/16/08)	**3-Point FG Made**	6 by Evansville (11/19/08)	0 by LSU (11/16/08)
19 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	4 at LSU (11/16/08)	**3-Point FG Attempts**	18 by Evansville (11/19/08)	4 by LSU (11/16/08)
.500 at LSU (11/16/08)	.368 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	**3-Point FG Percentage**	.333 by Evansville (11/19/08)	.000 by LSU (11/16/08)
18 at LSU (11/16/08)	11 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	**Free Throws Made**	17 by LSU (11/16/08)	15 by Evansville (11/19/08)
27 at LSU (11/16/08)	12 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	**Free Throw Attempts**	21 by LSU (11/16/08)	19 by Evansville (11/19/08)
.917 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	.667 at LSU (11/16/08)	**FT Percentage**	.810 by LSU (11/16/08)	.789 by Evansville (11/19/08)
38 at LSU (11/16/08)	36 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	**Rebounds**	42 by Evansville (11/19/08)	32 by LSU (11/16/08)
23 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	9 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Assists**	10 by LSU (11/16/08)	9 by Evansville (11/19/08)
17 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	12 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Steals**	11 by LSU (11/16/08)	6 by Evansville (11/19/08)
7 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	4 at LSU (11/16/08)	**Blocked Shots**	2, twice (MR: by Evansville, 11/19/08)	2, twice (MR: by Evansville, 11/19/08)
21 at LSU (11/16/08)	8 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	**Turnovers**	31 by Evansville (11/19/08)	18 by LSU (11/16/08)
17, twice (MR: vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	17, twice (MR: vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	**Fouls**	19 by LSU (11/16/08)	15 by Evansville (11/19/08)

Individual Superlatives

	NOTRE DAME	OPPONENT
Points Scored	19, twice by Ashley Barlow (MR: vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	10, four times (MR: three players from Evansville, 11/19/08)
Field Goals Made	7, three times (MR: by Barlow/Bruszewski vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	4, three times (MR: two players from Evansville, 11/19/08)
Field Goal Attempts	18 by Ashley Barlow vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	12 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)
Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)	.857 (6-7) by Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	None
3-Point Field Goals Made	3 by Ashley Barlow vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	2 by Ashlee Barrett of Evansville (11/19/08)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	5 by Ashley Barlow vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	6 by Ashlee Barrett of Evansville (11/19/08)
3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)	1.000 (2-2) by Becca Bruszewski vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	.333 (2-6) by Ashlee Barrett of Evansville (11/19/08)
Free Throws Made	4, three times (MR: by Erica Williamson vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	6 by Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Free Throw Attempts	6 by Erica Solomon at LSU (11/16/08)	6 by LaSondra Barrett/Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)	1.000 (4-4), twice (MR: by Erica Williamson vs. Evansville, 11/19/08)	1.000 (6-6) by Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Rebounds	7 by Lindsay Schrader vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	9 by Katherine Graham of LSU (11/16/08)
Assists	6 by Brittany Mallory vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	3, twice (MR: by Amy Gallagher of Evansville, 11/19/08)
Steals	4 by Ashley Barlow/Becca Bruszewski vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	4 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)
Blocked Shots	3 by Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	2 by Shannon Novosel of Evansville (11/19/08)
Turnovers	5 by Lindsay Schrader at LSU (11/16/08)	6 by Ashlee Barrett/Stephanie Bamberger of Evansville (11/19/08)
Minutes Played	36 by Melissa Lechlitner at LSU (11/16/08)	31 by Amy Gallagher of Evansville (11/19/08)

2008-09 Notre Dame Game-By-Game Team Statistics

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall FG-A	Overall Pct.	3-Point FG-A	3-Point Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	Rebs. Off-Def-Tot	PF-DQ	A	TO	B	S	Pts
(1) NOTRE DAME	21-47	.447	2-4	.500	18-27	.667	10-28-38	17-0	9	21	4	12	62
at LSU (7,954)	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9-23-32	19-1	10	18	2	11	53
NOTRE DAME (5,696)	39-79	.494	7-19	.368	11-12	.917	14-22-36	17-0	23	8	7	17	96
vs. Evansville	20-54	.370	6-18	.333	15-19	.789	15-27-42	15-0	9	31	2	6	61

Winners listed in ALL CAPS // Attendance listed next to home team (where applicable)
1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)

2008-09 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists

Opponent	Solomon	Watson	Miller	Peters	Barlow	Novosel	Mallory	Lechlitner	Schrader	Bruszewski	Williamson
(1) at LSU	6-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	12-6-2	**19-5-0**	2-2-0	DNP	**2-5-5**	**13-6-1**	**6-3-0**	**2-4-1**
EVANSVILLE	4-3-2	3-2-2	2-0-0	**6-4-1**	**19-6-0**	6-3-4	11-2-6	**11-2-4**	**12-7-4**	**18-4-0**	4-1-0

Home games in ALL CAPS // Games started in boldface
DNP = did not play
1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)

2008-09 Miscellaneous Statistics

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Most First Half Points Scored	49 vs. Evansville (11/19)	
Most First Half Points Allowed	31 by Evansville (11/19)	
Most Second Half Points Scored	47 vs. Evansville (11/19)	
Most Second Half Points Allowed	30 by Evansville (11/19)	
Fewest First Half Points Scored	24 at LSU (11/16)	
Fewest First Half Points Allowed	24 by LSU (11/16)	
Fewest Second Half Points Scored	38 at LSU (11/16)	
Fewest Second Half Points Allowed	29 by LSU (11/16)	

Largest Leads
Notre Dame: 35 — 96-61 (0:31, 2nd) vs. Evansville (ND 96-61), 11/19
Opponent: 3 — 3-0 (19:39, 1st) by Evansville (ND 96-61), 11/19
Largest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 3 — 3-0 (19:39, 1st) by Evansville (ND 96-61), 11/19
Largest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: None
Largest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None
Largest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

Halftime Leads: ND: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 0 (ND Record — 0-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)
Rebound Advantage: ND: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)
Bench Scoring Advantage: ND: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)
Notre Dame Margin: (-8) points, (-4.0) ppg. (ND — 50 pts., 25.0 ppg.; Opponents — 58 pts., 29.0 ppg.)

Point Differential	9	35
Notre Dame Wins	1	1
Notre Dame Losses	0	0

Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, Lechlitner, Schrader	1-0	
Bruszewski, Peters (F), Barlow, Lechlitner, Schrader	1-0	

Complete Games Played: 0 // Opponents: 0
Most Minutes (Game): 36, Melissa Lechlitner at LSU, 11/16

Charges Taken: 2 (Watson 1, Williamson 1) // Opponents: 0
Most Charges Taken (Game): 1, twice (Erica Williamson at LSU, 11/16; Kellie Watson vs. Evansville, 11/19)

Scoring
Double-Figure Games: 8 (Barlow 2, Schrader 2, Bruszewski 1, Lechlitner 1, Mallory 1, Peters 1) // Opponents: 4
20-29-Point Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
30-39-Point Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
Game-High Honors*: 2 (Barlow 2)
Team-High Honors*: 2 (Barlow 2)

Rebounding
Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
Game-High Honors*: 1 (Schrader 1)
Team-High Honors*: 3 (Schrader 2, Peters 1)

Assists
Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
Game-High Honors*: 2 (Lechlitner 1, Mallory 1)
Team-High Honors*: 2 (Lechlitner 1, Mallory 1)

Double-Doubles
Points/Rebounds: 0 // Opponents: 0

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

The Last Time It Happened…

Notre Dame recorded a…
30-point win ..... was on 11/19/08 — ND 96, Evansville 61 (35 points)*
40-point win ..... was on 2/27/08 — ND 92, South Florida 49 (43 points)*
50-point win ..... was on 11/20/07 — ND 94, Central Michigan 41 (53 points)
30-point loss ..... was on 3/17/02 — Tennessee 89, ND 50 (39 points) *(NCAA Mideast Region Second Round at Knoxville, Tenn.)*
Notre Dame shot…
60% on FGs ..... was on 2/13/08 — 64.3% (36-56) vs. Marquette (ND 99-76)*
65% on FGs ..... was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*
90% on FTs ..... was on 11/19/08 — 91.7% (11-12) vs. Evansville (ND 96-61)*
Notre Dame…
won 10 games in a row ..... was from 11/20/07 thru 1/2/08 — 10 straight
won 15 games in a row ..... was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
won 20 games in a row ..... was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
lost 5 games in a row ..... was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (across two seasons)
• lost 5 games in a row (one season) ..... was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight
scored 100 points ..... was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86)*
• scored 100 points at home ..... was on 11/26/02 (ND 107, Cleveland State 65)*
• scored 100 points at a neutral site ..... was on 11/24/89 vs. Liberty (ND 113-35) *(Rotary Classic at Orlando, Fla.)*
• scored 100 points & lost ..... never
allowed 100 points ..... was on 12/8/98 (Connecticut 106, ND 81)*
scored less than 50 points ..... was on 1/27/07 (Connecticut 64, ND 47)
allowed less than 50 points ..... was on 2/27/08 (ND 92, South Florida 49)*
played an overtime game ..... was on 3/25/08 (ND 79, Oklahoma 75 - ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
• played a multiple-overtime game ..... was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)
rallied from a double-digit deficit to win ..... was on 2/7/07 — 12 points (29-17, 2:25, 1st) vs. Louisville (ND 64-55)*
gave up a double-digit deficit and lost ..... was on 3/9/08 — 12 points (14-2, 11:04, 1st) vs. Pittsburgh (PITT 64-53) *(BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Hartford, Conn.)*
won on a "last second" shot ..... was on 12/5/07 (ND 86, Bowling Green 84 - ot — Charel Allen jumper at 0:00.8 in overtime)
lost on a "last second" shot ..... was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)
had five double-figure scorers ..... was on 11/19/08 (ND 96, Evansville 61) — Ashley Barlow 19, Becca Bruszewski 18, Lindsay Schrader 12, Melissa Lechlitner 11, Brittany Mallory 11*
had six double-figure scorers ..... was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86) — Ashley Barlow 21, Brittany Mallory 15, Charel Allen 14, Melissa Lechlitner 13, Lindsay Schrader 12, Becca Bruszewski 10, Erica Williamson 10
had seven double-figure scorers ..... was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86) — Ashley Barlow 21, Brittany Mallory 15, Charel Allen 14, Melissa Lechlitner 13, Lindsay Schrader 12, Becca Bruszewski 10, Erica Williamson 10
had no double-figure scorers ..... was on 2/8/04 (Seton Hall 51, ND 45)
had two double-figure rebounders ..... was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow 12, Charel Allen 11 *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
had two players with "double-doubles" ..... was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow (20p, 12r) & Charel Allen (14p, 11r) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
had three players with "double-doubles" ..... was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14p, 10r), Megan Duffy (14p, 10a) & Jacqueline Batteast (10p, 10r)*
had two 20-point scorers ..... was on 12/6/06 (ND 67, Purdue 58) — Breona Gray 22, Tulyah Gaines 20*
had three 20-point scorers ..... was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23*
had a "point-a-minute" scorer (min. 10 minutes) ..... was on 11/9/07 (ND 98, Miami-Ohio 50) — Lindsay Schrader 20p/17m* *(Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.)*
made 10 three-point field goals ..... was on 3/3/02 (Syracuse 84, ND 79) — 10-26 (38.5%) on threes *(BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Piscataway, N.J.)*
committed 10 turnovers or less ..... was on 11/19/08 (ND 96, Evansville 61) — 8 turnovers*
committed 25 turnovers ..... was on 12/30/06 (Tennessee 78, ND 54) — 29 turnovers
forced 25 turnovers ..... was on 11/19/08 (ND 96, Evansville 61) — 31 turnovers*
An Irish player had…
25 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
30 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
35 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
40 points ..... was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) ***(school record)***
15 rebounds ..... was on 1/13/07 — Erica Williamson (18) at South Florida (USF 87-78 - ot) ***(school freshman record)***
20 rebounds ..... was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)
10 assists ..... was on 2/26/05 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*
5 blocks ..... was on 11/9/07 — Devereaux Peters (5) vs. Miami (Ohio) (ND 98-50)* *(Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.)*
5 steals ..... was on 1/30/08 — Charel Allen (6) vs. Providence (ND 85-54)*
a "double-double" ..... was on 3/23/08 — A. Barlow (20p, 12r)/C. Allen (14p, 11r) vs. SMU (ND 75-62) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
a "triple-double" ..... was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17p, 12r, 10a) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)* ***(only triple-double in school history)***
20 pts & 10 rebs ..... was on 3/23/08 — Ashley Barlow (20p, 12r) vs. SMU (ND 75-62) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
20 pts & 20 rebs ..... was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25p, 20r) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)
a 4-point play ..... was on 2/16/03 — Alicia Ratay (2:24, 1st) at Providence (ND 67-61)
a halfcourt shot ..... was on 1/2/07 — Breona Gray (0:00, 1st) at Seton Hall (ND 64-61)
An opposing player had…
25 points ..... was on 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (34), Tennessee (UT 74-64) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.)*
30 points ..... was on 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (34), Tennessee (UT 74-64) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.)*
35 points ..... was on 1/16/95 — Angela Simpson (37), Northwestern State (La.) (NSU 103-93) *(NWIT Semifinal at Amarillo, Texas)*
10 rebounds ..... was on 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (13)/Nicky Anosike (10), Tennessee (UT 74-64) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.)*
15 rebounds ..... was on 3/25/08 — Courtney Paris (16), Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
20 rebounds ..... was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)
10 assists ..... was on 1/27/08 — Ketia Swanier (11), Connecticut (UCONN 81-64)*
5 blocks ..... was on 3/25/08 — Courtney Paris (5), Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.)*
5 steals ..... was on 1/13/08 — Ashley Powell (6), West Virginia (WVU 56-50)
a "double-double" ..... was on 3/25/08 — C. Parker (34p, 13r)/N. Anosike (10p, 10r), Tennessee (UT 74-64) *(NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.)*
a "triple-double" ..... was on 2/7/06 — Liad Suez-Karni (14p, 10r, 10a), Villanova (VU 69-65 - ot)*

** = indicates Notre Dame home game*

2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 1

#16/14 Notre Dame 62, #24/22 LSU 53
State Farm Tip-Off Classic
November 16, 2008
Maravich Assembly Ctr. (Baton Rouge, La.)

Notre Dame (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	19	1-3	0-0	4-4	3	0	4	6
Williamson	19	0-3	0-0	2-3	4	1	3	2
Barlow	35	7-13	2-4	3-4	5	0	2	19
Lechlitner	36	1-6	0-0	0-0	5	5	0	2
Schrader	33	5-12	0-0	3-5	6	1	2	13
Solomon	11	1-3	0-0	4-6	2	0	3	6
Watson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Miller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Peters	28	6-7	0-0	0-3	6	2	2	12
Novosel	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	2
Team					5			
Totals	**200**	**21-47**	**2-4**	**18-27**	**38**	**9**	**17**	**62**

LSU (53)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Morris	14	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	2
Barrett	23	1-6	0-0	4-6	4	0	1	6
Graham	29	0-5	0-1	0-0	9	2	5	0
Hughes	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	1	3	0
Hightower	30	3-12	0-1	0-0	1	3	3	6
Eason	24	2-5	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	4
Riley	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kelly	16	2-3	0-0	6-6	1	0	0	10
Jones	17	4-9	0-1	0-0	2	1	1	8
Dunning	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	1	2
Black	7	2-2	0-0	3-5	3	0	1	7
Turnbow	20	3-6	0-0	2-2	3	1	1	8
Team					5			
Totals	**200**	**18-53**	**0-4**	**17-21**	**32**	**10**	**19**	**53**

Notre Dame	**24**	**38**	**—**	**62**
LSU	**24**	**29**	**—**	**53**

FG Pct: Notre Dame 44.7, LSU 34.0. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 50.0, LSU 0.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, LSU 81.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 21, LSU 18. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 4 (Peters 3), LSU 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 12 (Schrader, Peters 3), LSU 11 (Hightower 4). **Attendance:** 7,954.

NOTES: Notre Dame squares its all-time series with LSU at 2-2, while all four games have been decided by 10 points or less … the Irish earn their first-ever win over LSU in Baton Rouge, and avenge their 1999 NCAA Tournament second-round loss to the Lady Tigers (74-64) at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center … Notre Dame registers its first-ever win over a Southeastern Conference (SEC) opponent on its home floor, and its first victory inside an SEC arena since March 24, 1997, when the Irish downed George Washington, 62-52, in the NCAA East Regional final at South Carolina's former home, the Frank McGuire Center, in Columbia, S.C. … Notre Dame collects its first victory over an SEC opponent since Nov. 14, 2003, when the Irish opened that season with a 77-64 win over No. 22/25 Auburn at the WBCA Classic in Boulder, Colo. … that Auburn victory also marked the last time Notre Dame opened with a ranked opponent — the Irish have won the past three times they have tipped off the season against a Top 25 foe, having also downed No. 6 UCLA, 99-82, at the Joyce Center to begin the 1998-99 campaign … overall, Notre Dame is 24-8 (.750) in season openers and now has won 14 consecutive season lidlifters, going a combined 19-3 (.864) in the Muffet McGraw era (1987-88 to present) … the Irish continue to sparkle in regular-season tournament play, improving to 22-5 (.815) in their last 27 regular-season tourney games, starting with the 1996-97 season … Notre Dame became the fourth non-conference school to defeat LSU at home in the past 13-plus seasons (1995-96 to present) — the others were Purdue and Michigan (in 2OT) in 2001-02 and Connecticut twice (2006-07 and 2007-08) … what's more, the Irish handed the Lady Tigers their first loss in a home opener since Nov. 23, 1981, when McNeese State shaded LSU, 75-74 … Notre Dame picks up its first win in the state of Louisiana since the first round of the 1999 NCAA Tournament, when it downed Saint Mary's (Calif), 61-57 … the 53 points allowed by Notre Dame were the fewest they have given up to a ranked opponent since Feb. 15, 2005, when they earned a 54-47 win at No. 25/22 Boston College …LSU went 0-for-4 from beyond the arc, a first for Notre Dame opponent since Dec. 2, 2007, when IUPUI was 0-for-10 ... sophomore forward Devereaux Peters enjoyed a successful return to action, a little more than nine months after suffering a torn ACL in her left knee … sophomore forward Becca Bruszewski made her first career start on Sunday ... junior guard Melissa Lechlitner made her second career start and first as the primary point guard.

GAME 2

#15 Notre Dame 96, Evansville 61
November 19, 2008
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Evansville (61)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Jennings	29	2-8	1-2	2-2	1	1	1	7
Novosel, S.	22	2-6	0-2	3-4	5	1	3	7
Austin	24	4-9	1-2	1-2	3	1	2	10
Barrett	22	4-10	2-6	0-1	5	0	2	10
Gallagher	31	3-8	0-2	2-2	5	3	1	8
Sickles	13	3-5	1-1	3-4	7	0	2	10
Falkenstein	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Batey	9	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Sperka	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
Nakane	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Singleton	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Bamberger	27	2-5	1-3	2-2	4	2	2	7
Benson	8	0-1	0-0	2-2	4	0	1	2
Team					3			
Totals	**200**	**20-54**	**6-18**	**15-19**	**42**	**9**	**15**	**61**

Notre Dame (96)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Peters	17	3-5	0-0	0-0	4	1	3	6
Bruszewski	19	7-9	2-2	2-2	4	0	2	18
Barlow	31	7-18	3-5	2-2	6	0	1	19
Lechlitner	26	5-9	1-2	0-0	2	4	1	11
Schrader	26	5-8	0-0	2-2	7	4	1	12
Solomon	15	2-3	0-0	0-0	3	2	3	4
Watson	13	1-8	1-4	0-0	2	2	1	3
Miller	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Novosel, N.	21	3-7	0-2	0-0	3	4	1	6
Mallory	20	5-10	0-4	1-2	2	6	3	11
Williamson	8	0-1	0-0	4-4	1	0	1	4
Team					2			
Totals	**200**	**39-79**	**7-19**	**11-12**	**36**	**23**	**17**	**96**

Evansville	**31**	**30**	**—**	**61**
Notre Dame	**49**	**47**	**—**	**96**

FG Pct: Evansville 37.0, Notre Dame 49.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Evansville 33.3, Notre Dame 36.8. **FT Pct:** Evansville 78.9, Notre Dame 91.7. **Turnovers:** Evansville 31, Notre Dame 8. **Blocked Shots:** Evansville 2 (S. Novosel 2), Notre Dame 7 (Watson 2). **Steals:** Evansville 6 (Gallagher 3), Notre Dame 17 (Bruszewski, Barlow 4). **Attendance:** 5,696.

NOTES: Notre Dame wins its home opener for the 14th consecutive year (coinciding exactly with its membership in the BIG EAST Conference) and improves to 24-8 (.750) all-time in Joyce Center lidlifters … the Irish move to 25-2 (.926) against the current Missouri Valley Conference alignment, including a 12-1 (.923) record at home; the Irish also are 16-1 against current MVC schools in the Muffet McGraw era (1987-88 to present) … Notre Dame stretches its series lead over Evansville to 19-1 (10-0 at home) in its first game against the Purple Aces since Feb. 12, 1994 (an 89-62 Irish win in Evansville) … Notre Dame's 96 points also were a series high-water mark, three more than in its 93-48 victory on Jan. 20, 1994, at the Joyce Center … the Irish added to their ongoing totals when leading at halftime (147-14, .913, since the start of the 2000-01 season) and scoring at least 80 points (115-4, .966, beginning with the 1995-96 campaign) … Notre Dame now has won 72 of its last 78 non-conference home games (.923) … the Irish also move to 112-32 (.778) all-time against other in-state opponents, including a 54-11 (.831) record at home; what's more, Notre Dame has won 12 of its last 15 games against Indiana schools … the Irish connected on 7-of-19 three-point attempts, their highest number of treys made and attempted in a game since Jan. 16, 2007 (7-of-22 against St. John's at the Joyce Center) … in just her second career start, sophomore forward Becca Bruszewski tossed in a career-high 18 points (7-9 FG), including a pair of first-half three-pointers after going 1-for-2 from distance her entire freshman year … sophomore guard Brittany Mallory dished out a career-high six assists without a turnover in 20 minutes … the Irish had five double-figure scorers for the first time this season; they were 9-0 in such games last year … in the sisterly battle between Irish freshman guard Natalie Novosel and UE senior center Shannon Novosel, "big sis" narrowly edged out a lead in the scoring (7-6) and rebounding (5-3) columns, while Natalie held the upper hand in assists (4-1); Shannon played 22 minutes, while Natalie saw 21 minutes of action.