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2002 University of Notre Dame Softball

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2002 BIG EAST Championship • Salem, Va. • May 9-12

Thursday, May 9

Game 1: #2 Villanova vs. #3 Syracuse, 11 a.m.

Game 2: #1 Notre Dame vs. #4 Virginia Tech, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, May 10

Game 3: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 1 p.m.

Game 4: Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2, 3 p.m.

Game 5: Loser Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 11

Game 6: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 5, 1 p.m.

Game 7: Same teams as Game 6, if necessary, 3 p.m.

2002 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

FEBRUARY

Arizona Pepsi Classic • Tucson, Ariz.

15	Fri.	at #1 Arizona	L, 0-3
15	Fri.	vs. Auburn	W, 3-2 (10)
16	Sat.	vs. Louisville	L, 3-4
16	Sat.	vs. New Mexico St.	W, 9-7 (8)
17	Sun.	vs. #25 South Florida	W, 5-3

NFCA Leadoff Classic • Columbus, Ga.

22	Fri.	vs. #11 Oregon State	L, 0-4
22	Fri.	vs. S. Mississippi	W, 6-0
23	Sat.	vs. Texas A&M	L, 2-1
23	Sat.	vs. #8 Arizona St.	L, 2-3
24	Sun.	vs. #4 Oklahoma	L, 2-3

MARCH

Aggie Invitational II • College Station, Texas

1	Fri.	vs. #19 La.-Lafayette	L, 3-6
1	Fri.	vs. Illinois State	W, 1-0
10	Sun.	vs. Oregon (1 g)	W, 9-3
10	Sun.	at UNLV (1 g)	L, 1-2
13	Wed.	at Long Beach St. (1 g)	W, 3-2

Kia Klassic • Fullerton, Calif.

14	Thurs.	vs. #2 Arizona	L, 0-7
14	Thurs.	vs. Cal St. Northridge	L, 0-3
15	Fri.	vs. Texas Tech	W, 2-1
16	Sat.	vs. #10 Fresno State	L, 2-3
16	Sat.	vs. New Mexico	L, 4-5
26	Tues.	at Western Michigan	cancelled
30	Sat.	*at Pittsburgh	W, 13-1 (6), W, 9-2

APRIL

1	Mon.	at Loyola-Chicago (1g)	W, 8-0 (5)
4	Thurs.	Illinois-Chicago (1g)	W, 11-6
6	Sat.	*at St. John's	W, 4-0, W, 8-0
7	Sun.	*at Seton Hall	W, 8-1, W, 7-1
9	Tues.	Valparaiso	W, 4-0, W, 8-0 (5)
11	Thurs.	Purdue (1g)	W, 4-2
12	Fri.	*Connecticut	W, 1-0 (8), W, 8-0 (6)
14	Sun.	*Syracuse	W, 3-1, L, 0-3
17	Wed.	Indiana State	W, 14-1 (5), W, 11-2 (5)
18	Thurs.	Bowling Green (1g)	W, 8-5
20	Sat.	*Virginia Tech	W, 8-0 (6), W, 10-0 (5)
23	Tues.	at #4 Nebraska (1g)	W, 3-2
25	Thurs.	IU-Fort Wayne (1g)	W, 5-1
27	Sat.	*at Boston College	W, 4-3, W, 8-2
28	Sun.	*at Providence	W, 8-0, W, 11-0
30	Tues.	Oakland (1g)	W, 16-0

MAY

2	Thurs.	#18 DePaul	W, 3-1
3	Fri.	*Rutgers	L, 2-5, W, 10-1
5	Sun.	*Villanova	W, 9-1, W, 9-1
9	Thurs.	Virginia Tech	1:30 p.m.
10	Fri.	BIG EAST Champ. cont.	TBA
11	Sat.	BIG EAST Champ. cont.	TBA
15	Wed.	NCAA Regionals	TBA
22	Wed.	College World Series	TBA

* - indicates BIG EAST game, all home games in bold

Irish looking to return to the winner's circle at BIG EAST Championship:

Although the 2001 softball season will go down as the most successful ever in Notre Dame history, last season's team fell short at the BIG EAST Championship and was eliminated in two games. The 2002 University of Notre Dame softball team (38-14) is focused on regaining the BIG EAST Championship the team won in 1999 and 2000. The Irish will enter this weekend's tournament with the #1 seed after finishing league play 18-2.

Notre Dame has the second-best all-time winning percentage in BIG EAST Championship play, compiling a 10-8 (.556) record in six tournaments. Only Connecticut (29-12, .707) has better record in championship play than the Irish (the Huskies did not qualify for the championship this season). See page nine of these notes for a BIG EAST Championship history breakdown.

Notre Dame vs. Virginia Tech series history and team analysis: Notre Dame and Virginia Tech will meet for the seventh time on Thursday, May 9, in the second game of the BIG EAST Championship. The Hokies earned the fourth seed in the tournament with a 10-game winning streak at the end of the regular season, including a sweep of then-third place Seton Hall last weekend. Both games against the Pirates went nine innings (the doubleheader was played in Allentown, Pa.) with Virginia Tech earning 1-0 and 4-3 victories. Senior RHP Ashlee Dobbe pitched all 18 innings for the Hokies.

Virginia Tech finished the 2002 season with a 40-16 record and 12-8 in the BIG EAST Conference. Clarisa Crowell proved to be one of the most dangerous hitters in the league, leading her team with a .368 batting average, 11 doubles and 30 RBI. Amy Voorhees and Tiffany Hurt lead the team in home runs with six.

When you face the Hokies, odds are you are going to find Ashlee Dobbe in the pitching circle. The senior righthander has pitched 256.0 innings this season and started 37 games (29 complete games, 12 shutouts). Her ERA is 1.80 with an overall record of

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2002 University of Notre Dame Softball Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Birthdate	Hometown (High School)
1	Steffany Stenglein	Fr.	RHP	5-10	R/R	8-5-82	Irvine, CA (Marina)
4	Carrie Wisen	Fr.	RHP	5-7	R/R	10-27-83	Fullerton, CA (Sonora)
5	Kas Hoag***(C)	Sr.	UT/DP	5-5	L/R	6-13-80	Wallingford, CT (Lyman Hall)
7	Jessica Sharron	Jr.	RHP	5-8	R/R	10-12-81	Agoura Hills, CA (Thousand Oaks)
8	Liz Hartmann	Fr.	IF/OF	5-9	R/R	1-8-83	Novato, CA (San Marin)
9	Chantal DeAlcuaz	So.	C	5-9	R/R	4-29-82	Modesto, CA (Central Catholic)
10	Alexis Madrid**	Jr.	2B	5-1	L/R	10-17-81	Temecula, CA (Temecula)
11	Jenny Kriech***(C)	Sr.	OF	5-7	L/L	9-8-80	Indianapolis, IN (Perry Meridian)
14	Nicole deFau*	So.	IF/OF	5-9	R/R	10-5-82	Southington, CT (Southington)
18	Andria Bledsoe**	Jr.	SS	5-7	R/R	8-4-81	Higley, AZ (Highland)
21	Megan Ciolli	Fr.	OF	5-9	L/R	5-13-83	Terre Haute, IN (North Vigo)
22	Jarraah Myers***(C)	Sr.	C	5-9	R/R	4-22-80	Carbondale, KS (Santa Fe Trail)
23	Annie Dell'Aria	Fr.	C	5-9	R/R	8-6-83	Fairfax, VA (Bishop O'Connell)
25	Lisa Mattison**	Jr.	1B/DP	5-10	R/R	4-26-81	Granger, IN (Penn)
33	Andrea Loman**	Jr.	3B	5-10	R/R	11-25-81	Riverside, CA (Poly)

* - indicates monograms won

C - 2002 team captain

Staff:

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '91)

First season as head coach at Notre Dame

Assistant Coach: Charmelle Green (Utah '92)

Assistant Coach: Kris McCleary (Notre Dame '99)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Roggeman (Ball State '81)

Team Senior Manager: Sean Coary (Notre Dame '02)

Team Trainer: Chantal Porter (Iowa State '94)

Strength and Conditioning Coach: Heather Mason (Cincinnati '95)

Sports Information Director: Alan Wasielewski (Notre Dame '00)

28-11.

Irish grab seventh-straight regular-season title with a sweep of Villanova:

Notre Dame has been competing in the BIG EAST Conference since the 1996 season and has won a regular-season title each season. With a doubleheader sweep (9-1, 9-1) of Villanova on Sunday, May 5, the Irish claimed their seventh-straight regular-season crown (from 1996-98, Notre Dame was in the BIG EAST South Division and won that division's title).

Notre Dame in BIG EAST Conference regular-season competition: The Irish began BIG EAST Conference play in 1996 and compiled a 19-1 record. Since that solid performance in their first season, the Irish have gone a combined 113-12 (.904) against conference foes during seven regular seasons.

Notre Dame in BIG EAST Conference regular-season competition:

1996: 19-1

1997: 16-4

1998: 13-3

1999: 16-0

2000: 14-2

2001: 20-0

2002: 18-2

Irish destroy season home run record:

A team-record five home runs against Providence (game two) on April 29 pushed the Irish well ahead of the team record for home runs in a season (previously 36). The team total stands at 48 as of May 7.

A team-record 10 different players have hit home runs for the team this season, including first career round trippers from Megan Ciolli, Annie Dell'Aria, Nicole deFau, Lisa Mattison, Carrie Wisen and Liz Hartmann.

Home run record #2: In a season when your team sets a new mark for home runs in a season, one would

2002 USA TODAY/NFCA TOP 25 (MAY 1)

School	2002 Record	Pts.	LW
1. UCLA (27)	44-6	675	1
2. Arizona	44-7	647	2
3. LSU	45-8	620	3
4. Arizona State	38-13	564	5
5. California	45-16	559	6
6. Washington	39-15	518	8
7. Nebraska	42-11	515	4
8. Stanford	37-14	487	7
9. CS Fullerton	44-11	462	9
10. Florida Atlantic	55-8	415	10
11. Michigan	39-9	387	11
12. Oklahoma	41-12	382	12
13. Texas	44-10	374	14
14. Fresno State	44-15	329	13
15. Alabama	43-14	285	15
16. Oregon State	35-18	266	16
17. Pacific	39-13	253	17
18. DePaul	36-8	239	18
19. Ohio State	49-9	181	20
20. La. - Lafayette	44-11	179	19
21. Florida State	43-14	128	21
22. Iowa	32-16	94	23
23. Baylor	45-16	71	22
24. Texas A&M	36-14	57	24
25. Georgia	53-13	33	25

Others Receiving Votes: Massachusetts (23), NOTRE DAME (16), South Carolina (11).

bold indicates 2002 ND opponent.

**NOTRE DAME
PROBABLE STARTERS**

C: Jarrah Myers, Sr., R/R
1B: Lisa Mattison, Jr., R/R
2B: Alexis Madrid, Jr., L/R
SS: Andria Bledsoe, Jr., R/R
3B: Andrea Loman, Jr., R/R
RF: Megan Ciolli, Fr., L/R
CF: Jenny Kriech, Sr., L/L
LF: Liz Hartmann, Fr. R/R
DP: Carrie Wisen, Fr., R/R
or Nicole deFau, So., R/R
P: Steffany Stenglein, Fr., R/R

**2002 PRESEASON
ALL-BIG EAST TEAM**

P - Barb Cook, Jr., Connecticut
P - Theresa Hornick, Jr., Villanova
C - Jarrah Myers, Sr., Notre Dame
IF - Andria Bledsoe, Jr., Notre Dame
IF - Lisa Girolamo, Sr., Connecticut
IF - Kim Jackson, Sr., Seton Hall
IF - Andrea Loman, Jr., Notre Dame
OF - Christina Holowich, Jr., Syracuse
OF - Jenny Kriech, Sr., Notre Dame
OF - McKenzie Richards, So., Seton Hall
OF - Mary Carroll Smith, So., Seton Hall
UT - Sara Carlson, Jr., Villanova
DP - Lisa Mattison, Jr., Notre Dame

**NOTRE DAME
SPORTS INFORMATION**

Publicity for Notre Dame softball is coordinated by sports information publicity assistant Alan Wasielewski.

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Requests to interview student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance. Credentials for home games can be obtained by calling Wasielewski.

Statistics, results and weekly releases (typically released on Wednesday of each week of the season) also are readily available on Notre Dame's official athletic site, www.und.com.

expect a number of records to fall. That is the case this season.

Home run record #2 the Irish have set this season occurred against Providence in game two of the doubleheader. Notre Dame hit five home runs in the contest, setting a new mark for round trippers in a game.

In the game against the Friars, junior Lisa Mattison became the seventh Irish player to hit two home runs in one single contest.

Home run record #3: The 2002 University of Notre Dame softball team has set yet another team record. With Liz Hartmann's heroic home run in the top of the seventh against #4 Nebraska, 10 different players on the Irish roster have hit home runs this season.

That breaks the previous team-best of seven different hitters 'going yard' in 2000 and 2001.

In Notre Dame's regular lineup, only Alexis Madrid has not launched a home run.

Home run record #4 - with a rookie twist: Freshman Liz Hartmann has been on a tremendous hitting tear lately. Her seven home runs this season is a team record for a freshman, and all seven of those home runs have been hit in the last 12 games.

Hartmann set the rookie record for round trippers with a two-run blast in the first game of a doubleheader against Villanova. The previous record was held by Sara Hayes, who hit six home runs as a freshman in 1992.

Hartmann's teammates Jarrah Myers (the all-time home run leader in Notre Dame history) and Andrea Loman both hit four home runs in their rookie campaigns.

Just call her - Miss Clutch: Freshman leftfielder Liz Hartmann enters this weekend's tournament with a .271 batting average. One could argue, though, that Hartmann has posted more important hits this season than any other Irish player. The Novato, Calif., native provided Notre Dame's most dramatic hit of the season, belting a three-run home run in the top of the seventh at #4 Nebraska that

proved to be the game winner. It was Hartmann's first career round tripper.

Entering this weekend's competition, Hartmann is hitting .379 with runners on base, .667 with the bases loaded and .450 with runners in scoring position. When provided an opportunity for an RBI with a runner on third and less than two out, Hartmann is nine for 11 this season. Completing her title as Miss Clutch, Hartmann leads the team in two-out RBI with 16.

Ten runs in first inning vs. Oakland ties school record: Notre Dame's big inning against Oakland tied the school mark for runs in an inning. The Irish plated 10 in the first, matching the number Notre Dame posted against Rutgers (also in the first inning) on April 30, 1996 (15-0 victory).

Irish ranked first in the NCAA east region: The NCAA Division I Women's Softball Committee updated its Division I women's softball biweekly regional poll on April 25. Notre Dame is ranked first in the east region, giving the team a solid foundation for a possible spot in the NCAA Championship.

EAST REGION

1. NOTRE DAME (27-13)
2. Villanova (37-9)
3. Syracuse (19-15)
4. Seton Hall (25-13)
5. Long Island (24-20)
6. Virginia Tech (30-16)
7. St. Peter's (22-14)
8. Canisius (20-12)
9. Fairfield (25-22)
10. UMBC (35-16)

Irish post most significant win of the young Deanna Gumpf era at Nebraska on April 23: The 2002 University of Notre Dame softball posted one of the biggest wins in the program's history on Tuesday, April 23, upsetting #4 Nebraska 3-2 in Lincoln.

The Cornhuskers represent the highest-ranked team the Irish have ever defeated and freshman leftfielder Liz Hartmann provided the game-winning hit with a three-run home run in the top of the seventh inning.

It was a memorable return to her alma mater for first-year Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf, a 1992 Nebraska graduate.

Other stars for the Irish in the game included starting pitcher Steffany Stenglein (7.0 innings pitched, 2 runs, five strikeouts, five hits), Alexis Madrid (two for three, perfect on five defensive chances) and Andria Bledsoe (leadoff single in the seventh to kick-start Irish rally).

Notre Dame back on the national scene: Winning 30 out of its last 32 games, the Irish have started to get votes in the USA Today/NFCA Top 25. On May 1, Notre Dame had received 16 votes for the top 25.

Notre Dame began the 2002 season ranked 14th (the highest-ever preseason ranking for the team), eventually dropping out of the poll after the NFCA Leadoff Classic.

Offensive explosion vs. Indiana State has a place in the record books: Notre Dame's 14-1 and 11-2 victories in the April 17 doubleheader tied the school record for most runs in a two-game set against a Division I school. The Irish defeated Providence 16-0 and 9-3 at Ivy Field in 2000 to establish the record. Notre Dame's all-time record for runs in a doubleheader is 28 against Bethel College (Ind.) in the first year of softball competition at the University - 1989.

April success: It was hard to beat the 2001 Irish softball team's perfect 23-0 record in the month of April last season, but the 2002 team gave its best shot last month. The 1996 (23-2), 1998 (23-3), 2001 (23-0) and 2002 (23-1) teams all won 23 games in the month of April. Notre Dame's four victories over the weekend matched the team record for wins in the month of April and clinched the second-best record in school history for the month (23-1, .958).

Stenglein gets second BIG EAST weekly award of the season after posting a perfect game: Freshman pitcher Steffany Stenglein was named co-BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on Monday, April 22, after pitching the first per-

fect game of her career (and first at Notre Dame since 1995) in Notre Dame's game one victory over Virginia Tech on April 20. It is the second weekly award for the Irvine, Calif., native.

The rookie righthander has steadily improved throughout the entire season, even while battling a stubborn groin pull. Since the Irish returned from spring break with an 8-12 record, Stenglein has lost just one game (20-9) while lowering her ERA to 1.87.

Myers overpowers Virginia Tech to nab second BIG EAST Player of the Week award this season: During Notre Dame's 5-0 week from April 15-21, Myers hit 10 for 14 (.714) with four home runs, 10 RBI and 10 runs scored. The BIG EAST Conference named her Player of the Week for the second time this season on Monday, April 22.

In Notre Dame's doubleheader sweep of Virginia Tech, the Irish catcher was five for six with three home runs, six RBI and six runs. Her first two homers in game one tied, then broke, the school record for career home runs.

Kriech nabs BIG EAST Conference weekly award: Senior Jenny Kriech was named BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week on Tuesday, April 30. Kriech helped Notre Dame go 6-0 last week, including a 4-0 conference record and a 3-2 win at #4 Nebraska. For the week, the Irish centerfielder went eight for 14 (.571) with a double, two home runs and three RBI. She also hit her first career home run at home against IUPUI-Fort Wayne on April 25.

Mattison earns first BIG EAST weekly award of her career: Junior Lisa Mattison was named the BIG EAST Conference player of the week on Monday, April 8, after helping the University of Notre Dame softball team to a 6-0 record and assume first place in the league with doubleheader sweep at St. John's and Seton Hall over the weekend.

In six games during the week of April 1-7, Mattison finished 10 for 18

NOTRE DAME STATISTICAL LEADERS

Batting Average

Andrea Loman .....	.395
Jarrah Myers .....	.384
Megan Ciolli .....	.359

Hits

Megan Ciolli	60
Andrea Loman	58
Jenny Kriech	55

Doubles

Jenny Kriech	12
Andrea Loman	9
Andria Bledsoe	9

Triples

Megan Ciolli	5
Three with	1

Home Runs

Jarrah Myers	11
Andrea Loman	10
Andria Bledsoe	7
Liz Hartmann	7

RBI

Jarrah Myers	45
Andria Bledsoe	40
Liz Hartmann	37

Slugging Percentage

Jarrah Myers .....	.688
Andrea Loman .....	.660
Andria Bledsoe .....	.540

On Base Percentage

Jarrah Myers .....	.500
Andrea Loman .....	.480
Lisa Mattison .....	.419

Stolen Bases

Andrea Loman	16
Jarrah Myers	14
Megan Ciolli	11

PITCHING

ERA

Jessica Sharron	1.27
Carrie Wisen	1.80
Steffany Stenglein	1.89

Strikeouts

Steffany Stenglein	195
Carrie Wisen	103
Jessica Sharron	9

Appearances

Steffany Stenglein	45
Carrie Wisen	37
Jessica Sharron	9

Innings Pitched

Steffany Stenglein	203.1
Carrie Wisen	124.1
Jessica Sharron	11

NOTRE DAME GAME HIGHS

<u>Runs</u>	Jarrah Myers	4	vs. NMS (2-16)
<u>Hits</u>	Jenny Kriech	4	vs. SHU (g1) (4-7)
	Jenny Kriech	4	vs. BC (g2) (4-27)
<u>RBI</u>	Liz Hartmann	6	vs. Oakland (4-30)
<u>Doubles</u>	Jarrah Myers	2	two times
	Jenny Kriech	2	two times
<u>Total Bases</u>	Lisa Mattison	9	vs. Prov. (g2) 4-29
	Liz Hartmann	9	vs. Oak. 4-30
<u>Stolen Bases</u>	2		seven times
<u>Innings Pitched</u>	7.0		four times
<u>Strikeouts</u>	Carrie Wisen	11	vs. IPFW (4-25)

TEAM GAME HIGHS

<u>Runs</u>	16	vs. Oakland (4-30)
<u>Hits</u>	15	vs. Ind. St. (game 1) (4-17)
<u>RBI</u>	14	vs. Ind. St. (game 1) (4-17)
<u>Doubles</u>	5	vs. Villanova (game 2) (5-5)
<u>Home Runs</u>	5	vs. Providence (game 2) (4-29)
<u>Total Bases</u>	30	vs. Providence (game 2) (4-29)
<u>Stolen Bases</u>	6	three times
<u>Innings Pitched</u>	10.0	vs. Auburn (2-15)
<u>Strikeouts</u>	11	vs. New Mexico (3-16)
	11	vs. Seton Hall (4-7)
	11	vs. IUPUI-Fort Wayne (4-25)

BIG EAST STANDINGS (AS OF MAY 7)

<u>Team</u>	<u>BE Record</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Streak</u>
Notre Dame+*	18-2	36	38-14	.731	18-2	13-2	Won 3
Villanova*	14-6	28	44-13	.772	23-5	11-6	Lost 2
Syracuse*	12-6	24	25-19	.568	9-3	6-8	Won 2
Virginia Tech*	12-8	24	40-16	.714	16-3	13-5	Won 10
Boston College	11-9	22	26-26	.500	11-4	11-14	Won 3
Seton Hall	11-9	22	29-17	.630	6-5	15-7	Lost 2
Rutgers	9-11	18	22-25	.468	13-8	8-9	Won 2
Pittsburgh	6-14	12	21-33	.389	7-8	5-12	Lost 5
St. John's	5-13	10	23-30-1	.435	9-9-1	7-11	Won 2
Connecticut	5-15	10	13-36	.265	5-16	5-10	Lost 5
Providence	5-15	10	16-36-1	.311	7-11	5-11-1	Won 1

Note: As voted by the head softball coaches, the BIG EAST softball standings will now be determined by a 2/1 points system. Two points will be awarded for a conference win, one point for a tie and no points for a loss.

* - clinched a spot in the BIG EAST Championship

+ - clinched regular season title

Player of the Week Awards:

Feb. 25

Kathleen Jones, Fr., Virginia Tech
 Cara Blumfield, Jr., Boston College

March 4

Barb Cook, Jr., Connecticut

March 11

Ricci Lugo, So., Villanova

March 18

Cheryl Julicher, So., Syracuse
 Cara Blumfield, Jr., Boston College

March 24

Kim Jackson, Sr., Seton Hall

April 1

Jarrah Myers, Sr., Notre Dame

April 8

Lisa Mattison, Jr., Notre Dame

April 15

Sara Carlson, Jr., Villanova

April 22

Jarrah Myers, Sr., Notre Dame

April 30

Jenny Kriech, Sr., Notre Dame

Tiffany Hurt, Sr., Virginia Tech

May 6

Andrea Loman, Jr., Notre Dame

Pitcher of the Week Awards:

Feb. 25

Ashlee Dobbe, Sr., Virginia Tech

March 4

Christina Shanko, Jr., Seton Hall

March 11

Nikki Gasti, Jr., Pittsburgh

March 18

Nikki Gasti, Jr., Pittsburgh
 Nicole Bartholomew, Fr., Providence

March 24

Leah Black, Jr., Rutgers
 Clarisa Crowell, Sr., Virginia Tech

April 1

Nicole Bartholomew, Fr., Providence

April 8

Tekae Malandris, So., Boston College

April 15

Steffany Stenglein, Fr., Notre Dame

Kim Ryan, Jr., Boston College

April 22

Steffany Stenglein, Fr., Notre Dame

Theresa Hornick, Jr., Villanova

April 30

Theresa Hornick, Jr., Villanova

Ashlee Dobbe, Sr., Virginia Tech

May 6

Ashlee Dobbe, Sr., Virginia Tech

2002 Game Results - Winning RBI/Hit - Winning Run

Date	Opposing Team	Score	Outcome	R/H/E - R/H/E	Pitcher of Record	GW H/RBI	GW Run
2-15-02	at #1 Arizona	0-3	L	0/3/0 - 3/5/0	Stenglein (L 0-1)	-	-
2-15-02	vs. Auburn	3-2	W	3/9/0 - 2/7/0	Stenglein (W 1-1)	Ciolti	Madrid
2-16-02	vs. Louisville	3-4	L	3/4/0 - 4/7/4	Stenglein (L 1-2)	-	-
2-16-02	vs. N. Mex. St.	9-7	W	9/12/0 - 7/13/5	Wisn (W 1-0)	Myers	Loman
2-17-02	vs. #25 S. Florida	5-3	W	5/9/2 - 3/6/3	Stenglein (W 2-2)	Madrid	Hoag
2-22-02	vs. #11 Oregon St.	0-4	L	0/4/1 - 4/7/1	Wisn (L 1-1)	-	-
2-22-02	vs. S. Mississippi	6-0	W	6/6/1 - 0/5/1	Stenglein (W 3-2)	Ciolti	Ciolti
2-23-02	vs. Texas A&M	1-2	L	1/7/1 - 2/5/0	Stenglein (L 3-3)	-	-
2-23-02	vs. #8 Arizona St.	2-3	L	2/5/2 - 3/7/1	Stenglein (L 3-4)	-	-
2-24-02	vs. #7 Oklahoma	2-3	L	2/9/0 - 3/8/0	Stenglein (L 3-5)	-	-
3-1-02	vs. #19 La.-Lafay.	3-6	L	3/3/3 - 6/5/4	Stenglein (L 3-6)	-	-
3-1-02	vs. Illinois State	1-0	W	1/7/1 - 0/5/2	Stenglein (W 4-6)	Ciolti	Kriech
3-10-02	vs. Oregon	9-3	W	9/10/1 - 3/6/6	Stenglein (W 5-6)	Myers	Myers
3-10-02	at UNLV	1-2	L	1/3/1 - 2/3/2	Wisn (L 1-2)	-	-
3-13-02	at Long Beach St.	3-2	W	3/7/0 - 2/11/0	Stenglein (W 6-6)	Ciolti	Ciolti
3-14-02	vs. #2 Arizona	0-7	L	0/0/0 - 7/7/0	Wisn (L 1-3)	-	-
3-14-02	vs. CS Northridge	0-3	L	0/3/0 - 3/3/0	Stenglein (L 6-7)	-	-
3-15-02	vs. Texas Tech	2-1	W	2/8/1 - 1/3/0	Stenglein (W 7-7)	deFau	deFau
3-16-02	vs. #10 Fresno St.	2-3	L	2/6/2 - 3/5/1	Stenglein (L 7-8)	-	-
3-16-02	vs. New Mexico	4-5	L	4/12/1 - 5/7/0	Wisn (L 1-4)	-	-
3-30-02	at Pittsburgh*	13-1	W	13/12/0 - 1/5/1	Stenglein (W 8-8)	Kriech	Kriech
3-30-02	at Pittsburgh*	9-2	W	9/13/1 - 2/7/8	Wisn (W 2-4)	Loman	Ciolti
4-1-02	at Loyola Chicago	8-0	W	8/11/0 - 0/1/2	Wisn (W 3-4)	Kriech	deFau
4-6-02	at St. John's*	4-0	W	4/5/0 - 0/3/0	Wisn (4-4)	Myers	Ciolti
4-6-02	at St. John's*	8-0	W	8/10/1 - 0/3/0	Stenglein (W 10-8)	Mattison	Loman
4-7-02	at Seton Hall*	8-1	W	8/12/1 - 1/2/1	Wisn (W 5-4)	Wisn	Wisn
4-7-02	at Seton Hall*	7-1	W	7/13/1 - 1/3/2	Stenglein (W 11-8)	Bledsoe	Loman
4-9-02	Valparaiso	4-0	W	4/11/0 - 0/0/2	Wisn (W 6-4)	Bledsoe	Kriech
4-9-02	Valparaiso	8-0 (5)	W	8/7/1 - 0/1/3	Wisn (W 7-4)	Myers	Ciolti
4-11-02	Purdue	4-2	W	4/9/1 - 2/7/4	Wisn (W 8-4)	Hartmann	Bledsoe
4-12-02	Connecticut*	1-0 (8)	W	1/7/1 - 0/4/0	Stenglein (W 12-8)	Loman	Ciolti
4-12-02	Connecticut*	8-0	W	8/7/0 - 0/4/1	Stenglein (W 12-8)	Mattison	Bledsoe
4-14-02	Syracuse*	3-1	W	3/4/1 - 1/3/0	Stenglein (W 14-8)	Kriech	deFau
4-14-02	Syracuse*	0-3	L	0/4/1 - 3/4/1	Stenglein (L 14-9)	-	-
4-17-02	Indiana State	14-1 (5)	W	14/15/3 - 1/1/2	Wisn (W 9-4)	Kriech	Wisn
4-17-02	Indiana State	11-2 (5)	W	11/10/1 - 2/2/2	Wisn (W 10-4)	Myers	Kriech
4-18-02	Bowling Green	8-5	W	8/9/1 - 5/7/2	Wisn (W 11-4)	Ciolti	Hartmann
4-20-02	Virginia Tech*	8-0 (6)	W	8/8/0 - 0/0/1	Stenglein (W 15-9)	Myers	Ciolti
4-20-02	Virginia Tech*	10-0 (5)	W	10/8/0 - 0/3/4	Stenglein (W 16-9)	Loman	Ciolti
4-23-02	#4 Nebraska	3-2	W	3/8/0 - 2/5/2	Stenglein (W 17-9)	Hartmann	Hartmann
4-25-02	IUPUI-Fort Wayne	5-1	W	5/7/0 - 1/4/4	Wisn (W 12-4)	Hartmann	Sharron
4-27-02	at Boston College*	4-3	W	4/4/1 - 3/6/1	Stenglein (W 18-9)	Bledsoe	Ciolti
4-27-02	at Boston College*	8-2	W	8/12/0 - 2/3/1	Stenglein (W 19-9)	Myers	Myers
4-29-02	at Providence*	8-0	W	8/9/0 - 0/4/2	Wisn (W 13-4)	Myers	Madrid
4-29-02	at Providence*	11-0 (5)	W	11/14/0 - 0/5/1	Stenglein (W 20-9)	Myers	Madrid
4-30-02	Oakland	16-0 (5)	W	16/13/0 - 0/3/4	Wisn (W 14-4)	Myers	Ciolti
5-2-02	#18 DePaul	3-1	W	3/7/1 - 1/10/2	Stenglein (W 21-9)	Ciolti	Madrid
5-3-02	Rutgers*	2-5	L	2/5/0 - 5/3/1	Stenglein (L 21-10)	-	-
5-3-02	Rutgers*	10-1 (5)	W	10/11/2 - 1/4/2	Wisn (W 15-4)	Myers	Loman
5-5-02	Villanova*	9-1 (5)	W	9/8/2 - 1/5/1	Stenglein (W 22-10)	Hartmann	Bledsoe
5-5-02	Villanova*	9-1 (6)	W	9/12/1 - 1/3/2	Stenglein (W 23-10)	Ciolti	Kriech

(.556) with two doubles, two runs and a team-high nine RBI. She was also perfect in the field, recording 40 putouts and two assists in 42 chances. It was the first conference weekly award Mattison has earned, though she was a first-team all-BIG EAST selection in 2001 as a designated player.

Early-season schedule among the toughest in school history: Notre Dame's early-season schedule, which has included #1/#2 Arizona (twice), #25 South Florida, #11 Oregon State, #8 Arizona State, #4 Oklahoma, #19 Louisiana-Lafayette and #10 Fresno State (all rankings reflect position at the time of the game), is among the toughest in school history. The Irish have battled each opponent to the end, including three one-run losses to Arizona State, Oklahoma and Fresno State by identical 3-2 scores.

Deanna Gumpf continues her first season as head softball coach at the University of Notre Dame: One of the top young coaches in the nation, Deanna Gumpf has taken over the Notre Dame softball program this season after four years as the top aide to Liz Miller - who retired at the end of the 2001 season.

In the four seasons Gumpf served as the Irish pitching and assistant coach, the team lowered its ERA and raised the team batting average each season, while also setting team records for strikeouts and home runs.

Already in the 2002 season, the Irish have set a number of home run records, including the most in a season (48 as of May 7) and number of different players hitting a home run (10 as of May 7).

Gumpf's staff includes new assistant coaches Charmelle Green (formerly at Syracuse) and Kris McCleary (former Irish catcher - Class of '99 - who served as an assistant at UNLV), along with volunteer assistant coach Bill Roggeman.

Gumpf earned her first career victory with a 3-2, 10-inning victory over Auburn in the Pepsi Arizona Classic.

Having an all-star season: Irish third baseman Andrea Loman has devel-

oped into one of Notre Dame's top offensive and defensive player this season. Loman is first on the team with a .395 batting average this season and has cracked eight home runs, including a legendary shot to put the Irish ahead 2-0 over Long Beach State.

Loman's 19 career home runs put her fourth on the all-time list.

Even though Loman has been one of the most consistent offensive threats for the Irish this season, her defensive play has been nothing short of spectacular.

Loman eliminates the sacrifice bunt, as she has shown time and time again she can get to the ball and throw the advancing runner out at the appropriate base. In 170 defensive chances this season, Loman has made just six errors.

Loman will be playing over the next few weeks with a broken index finger on her right hand, suffered when she was hit by a pitch in a Seton Hall game. She played the rest of the doubleheader (actually hitting a home run in one of her at bats), but was affected on defense (committing two of her seven errors on the season - she has since made five errors playing with the injury).

Loman returned to the lineup against Purdue full-time on April 11th.

New career home run leader: Jarrah Myers ended her climb up the career home run leader chart in her first two at bats against Virginia Tech on Saturday, April 20. Her solo shot against the Hokies in the second inning was her eighth of the season, 31st of her career and second of the game.

Those 31 round-trippers surpassed the school record of 30, previously held by '01 graduate Melanie Alkire.

Myers quickly added to her historical total, hitting #32 against Virginia Tech in game two. She currently has 34 as of May 1.

Kriech threatening more career records: Senior centerfielder and 2001 All-American Jenny Kriech already has possession of the school record for career triples (19), but the Irish

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

Here is a quick breakdown of Notre Dame's hitting streaks from this season (min. five games):

12 - Andrea Loman (4-17 - 4-30)
10 - Lisa Mattison (3-16 - 4-9)
10 - Jenny Kriech (3-16 - 4-9)
9 - Andria Bledsoe (4-6 - 4-14)
8 - Jarrah Myers (3-15 - 4-7)
8 - Megan Ciolli (4-6 - 4-12)
6 - Carrie Wisen (4-14 - 4-20)
6 - Liz Hartmann (4-27 - 5-3)

Multiple Hit Games

20 - Megan Ciolli
16 - Jenny Kriech
16 - Jarrah Myers
15 - Andrea Loman
13 - Andria Bledsoe
12 - Lisa Mattison
7 - Liz Hartmann

Multiple RBI Games

13 - Andria Bledsoe
12 - Liz Hartmann
11 - Jarrah Myers
10 - Andrea Loman
4 - Jenny Kriech
4 - Lisa Mattison
4 - Megan Ciolli
4 - Carrie Wisen

Situational batting leaders:

vs. lefthanders	Bledsoe	.....	.619
vs. righthanders	Myers	.....	.413
bases empty	Mattison	.....	.400
w/runners on	Loman	.....	.439
bases loaded	Hartmann	....	.667
w/two outs	Myers	.....	.400
in scoring pos.	Hartmann	....	.450
leadoff	Bledsoe	.....	.594
RBI w/ runners on third and less than two outs	Hartmann	....	.833
two out RBI	Hartmann	.....	16

Situational pitching leaders:

Opp BA	Stenglein	.....	.193
vs. left	Wisen	.....	.184
vs. right	Stenglein	.....	.181
w/ two outs	Wisen	.....	.184
w/ runners on	Stenglein	.....	.203
groundballs	Wisen	.....	203
flyballs	Stenglein	.....	235
K/g	Stenglein	.....	6.7

leadoff hitter is threatening various other marks as well.

Her 13 walks this season give her 64 for her career, which is third on the all-time list and trails Sara Hayes (1992-95) with 66. Kriech also might be able to reach the career record for steals, as she currently has 54. Katie Marten (1994-97) holds that record with 58.

2002 schedule could develop into the strongest in school history: The Irish enter this weekend's action with a 24-18 record and eight of those losses have come to teams ranked higher than Notre Dame in the *USA Today*/NFCATop 25.

As of May 7, the Irish schedule reflects 10 ranked opponents. Notre Dame has been close to knocking off many of its top-ranked foes as well as defeating #4 Nebraska in Lincoln on April 23 and #18 DePaul on May 2. The Irish also dropped hard-fought 3-2 decisions to #8 Arizona State, #4 Oklahoma and #10 Fresno State in the first month of the season.

The record for ranked opponents faced is 13 from the 1998 and 2001 seasons. Post-season play at the end of the 2002 campaign could push the Irish schedule this season into the record books.

Notre Dame softball standout Jarrah Myers named the 2001-02 BIG EAST/Aéropostale Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year: Myers will receive a \$4,000 stipend which will be applied to graduate studies. The winner is determined by the league's Academic Awards Committee.

Aéropostale Stores is the official apparel of BIG EAST Championships and is the sponsor of the Conference's Post Graduate Student-Athlete Scholarship Program. This year Aéropostale will award 31 scholarships to Conference student-athletes to assist in their pursuit of graduate or professional studies. The Men's and Women's Basketball Scholar-Athletes will be announced in conjunction with the BIG EAST Men's & Women's Basketball Championships on March 1 and 5.

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and accessories retailer that has over 275 stores in 37 states throughout the United States. Named after the Compagnie Generale Aéropostale, the pioneer French airmail company, the merchandise continues to embody the spirit and adventure of its name. The company also operates a web site at www.aeropostale.com.

Myers, a senior catcher from Carbondale, Kan., is the fourth Notre Dame female to win the award. She was chosen for the Scholar-Athlete of the Year award from a pool of 15 candidates which may encompass athletes from any of the 12 BIG EAST women's sports.

Myers, an environmental science major in the Notre Dame honors program, earned National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA)/Louisville Slugger All-America Third Team honors as a junior in 2001 and was a member of the U.S. National Team last year. Prior to the 2002 season, she was named to the Preseason All-BIG EAST Team. Myers was named to the All-BIG EAST Second Team as a junior in 2001 and the first team in 2000. Last season she led the Irish in batting (.380), RBI (41) and home runs (7). Myers ranks among the top five on the ND career lists for triples, home runs and RBI.

As a Dean's List student, Myers earned Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-America First Team honors as a junior and third team accolades as a sophomore. She will graduate as a four-time BIG EAST Academic All-Star and plans to pursue a master's degree in forensic science. Myers does extra research in the organic chemistry department and volunteers on a bi-monthly basis at an elderly assistance home.

The conference also announced the '01-02 BIG EAST/Aéropostale Female Scholar-Athlete Award winners, who will each receive \$2,000 toward graduate studies.

California girls: The 2002 Notre Dame roster is loaded with talent from the Golden State, as seven Irish players call California home. The

2002 freshman class brings three players from the West Coast (Liz Hartmann - Novato, Steffany Stenglein - Irvine, Carrie Wisen - Fullerton), while the returning Irish from California are Chantal DeAlcuaz (Modesto), Andrea Loman (Riverside), Alexis Madrid (Temecula) and Jessica Sharron (Agoura Hills).

How to get information on the 2002 Notre Dame softball team: In addition to weekly releases and game recaps on www.und.com, media members may be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contacting Alan Wasielewski at:

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Notre Dame home softball games will be available via live statistics on www.und.com.

Ciolti, Loman and Myers invited to USA Softball World Championship selection camp: Senior Jarrah Myers, a 2002 All-American and member of the U.S. National Team during the summer of '02, freshman Megan Ciolti and junior Andrea Loman have been invited to the participate in a team camp from May 30 - June 3, in Chula Vista, Calif.

The 66 players on the list that includes Ciolti, Loman and Myers will compete for spots on the teams that will represent the U.S. in international competition this summer.

Two teams will be selected following the camp in May/June. One will represent the USA at the U.S. Cup in Honolulu, Hawaii, (July 4-7), the Canada Cup in Surrey, B.C., Canada (July 16-21) and the ISF Women's World Championship in Saskatoon, Canada (July 25-August 4).

The second team will be called the USA Softball Elite Team and it will help prepare the World Championship team for international events by competing in scrimmages and exhibition games prior to these events. The Elite Team also will compete in the Canada Cup.

**2002 BIG EAST
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Thursday, May 9 - Saturday, May 12

Salem, VA • James Moyer Complex

The BIG EAST Conference has sponsored the BIG EAST Softball Championship since 1990. The top four teams in the final regular season conference standings advance to the championship, and the winner of the double-elimination tournament receives the conference's automatic bid to the 2002 NCAA Championship.

The 2002 BIG EAST Championship will be held at the James I. Moyer Complex in Salem, Va., for the first time ever.

Team Championship Results

<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Runner-up</u>	<u>Site</u>
2001	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	3-0	Seton Hall	Villanova, Pa.
2000	Notre Dame	Liz Miller	7-0	Connecticut	Chestnut Hill, Ma.
1999	Notre Dame	Liz Miller	5-1	Seton Hall	Storrs, Conn.
1998	Boston College	Jennifer Finley	6-1	Connecticut	Notre Dame, Ind.
1997	Boston College	Jennifer Finley	9-1	Connecticut	Storr, Conn.
1996	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	1-0	Notre Dame	Chestnut Hill, Ma.
1995	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	3-1	Providence	Jamaica, NY
1994	Providence	Jennifer Finley	1-0	Connecticut	Jamaica, NY
1993	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	9-0	Villanova	Storrs, Conn.
1992	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	2-1	Providence	Storrs, Conn.
1991	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	2-0	Boston College	Chestnut Hill, Ma.
1990	Connecticut	Karen Mullins	2-0	St. John's	Chestnut Hill, Ma.

Team Records in Championship Play

<u>Team</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>
Connecticut	12	29	12	.707	7	4
Notre Dame	6	10	8	.556	2	1
Boston College	9	12	14	.462	2	1
Providence	6	9	11	.450	1	2
Seton Hall	4	5	7	.417	0	2
Villanova	7	8	14	.364	0	1
St. John's	4	2	7	.222	0	1
Rutgers	2	1	4	.200	0	0

Most Outstanding Player Award

- 2001 - Barb Cook, Connecticut
- 2000 - Melanie Alkire, Notre Dame
- 1999 - Jennifer Sharron, Notre Dame
- 1998 - Chris Vicari, Boston College
- 1997 - Mary Deitz, Boston College
- 1996 - Bridgett McCaffery, Connecticut
- 1995 - Bridgett McCaffery, Connecticut
- 1994 - Kim Robbins, Providence
- 1993 - Janna Venice, Connecticut
- 1992 - Kim Mizesko, Connecticut
- 1991 - Janna Venice, Connecticut
- 1990 - Sue Rybczyk, Connecticut



#1 • Steffany Stenglein • Fr. • R/R • Irvine, Calif. • P

Season/Career Highs –

Runs: 1 vs. Louisville (2-16)

Hits: 1 vs. #4 Oklahoma (2-24)

Putouts: 2 vs. Connecticut (4-12)

Assists: 3 three times

Innings pitched: 8 vs. Connecticut (4-12)

Strikeouts: 10 vs. CS Northridge (3-14)

..... 10 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)

Hits allowed: 1 vs. St. John's (4-6)

..... 1 vs. St. John's (4-6)

Wild pitches: 2 vs. St. John's (4-6)

HBP: 2 vs. #4 Oklahoma (2-24)

..... 2 vs. Illinois State (3-1)

Rookie pitcher who has seen a majority of the innings (203.1 of 338.2) and starts (38 of 52) for the Irish this season ... BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on April 15 and April 22 ... first career win vs. Auburn (3-2) ... first career combined no-hitter vs. Valparaiso (w/ Carrie Wisen) ... first career perfect game vs. Virginia Tech (game one) ... has already set the school record for appearances in a season (45), games started (38) and is closing in on most wins (23 - school record is 27).

#4 • Carrie Wisen • Fr. • R/R • Fullerton, Calif. • P

Season/Career Highs –

Runs: 1 seven times

Hits: 1 15 times

RBI: 3 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)

..... 3 vs. Rutgers (5-3)

Doubles: 1 five times

HR: 1 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)

..... 1 vs. Providence (4-29)

Putouts: 1 three times

Assists: 3 six times

Innings pitched: . 7.0 vs. Purdue (4-11)

..... 7.0 vs. IUPUI-Fort Wayne (4-25)

Strikeouts: 11 vs. IUPUI-Fort Wayne (4-25)

Wild pitches: 3 vs. Illinois-Chicago (4-4)

HBP: 1 four times

The #2 starter for the Irish in her rookie season ... first career victory vs. N. Mexico State (9-7) ... first career combined no-hitter (w/ Steffany Stenglein) vs. Valparaiso in game one ... struck out a season-high 11 vs. IUPUI-Fort Wayne ... hit first career home run at Seton Hall ... enjoyed a six-game hit streak from 4-14 - 4-20 ... the first choice for Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf at DP when

not pitching.

#5 • Kas Hoag • Sr. • L/R • Wallingford, Conn. • UT

Season Highs:

Runs: 1 13 times

Hits: 1 vs. CS Northridge (3-14)

..... 1 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)

RBI: 1 vs. UNLV (3-10)

..... 1 vs. #10 Fresno State (3-16)

Stolen Bases: 1 three times

Putouts: 1 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

Errors: 1 vs. Villanova (5-5)

Career Highs:

Runs: 2 three times

Hits: 2 three times

RBI: 2 vs. Connecticut (3-31-00)

One of the first players off the bench for pinch-hitting or defensive purposes ... senior tri-captain with Jenny Kriech and Jarrah Myers ... has committed just one error since her rookie season.

#7 • Jessica Sharron • Jr. • R/R • Agoura Hills, CA • P

Season Highs –

Runs: 1 five times

Hits: 1 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

Stolen Bases: 1 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)

Assists: 1 vs. Pittsburgh (3-30)

Errors: 1 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

Innings pitched: . 2.0 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

..... 2.0 vs. Oakland (4-30)

Strikeouts: 3 vs. Boston College (4-27)

Wild pitches: 1 vs. Seton Hall (4-1)

..... 1 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

HBP: 1 vs. Pittsburgh (3-30)

..... 1 vs. Seton Hall (4-1)

Spot reliever who has set career highs for appearances and innings pitched this season ... notched her first career save vs. N. Mexico State ... struck out the side in the seventh inning of game two vs. Boston College.

#8 • Liz Hartmann • Fr. • R/R • Novato, Calif. • OF

Season/Career Highs –

Runs: 3 vs. Oakland (3-30)

Hits: 3 vs. N. Mexico State (2-16)

..... 3 vs. Oakland (3-30)

RBI: 6 vs. Oakland (3-30)

Doubles: 1 vs. N.Mexico State (2-16)
 1 vs. Purdue (4-11)
 Home Runs: 2 vs. Oakland (3-30)
 Total Bases: 9 vs. Oakland (3-30)

Putouts: 9 vs. #19 La.-Lafayette (3-1)
 Assists: 1 three times
 Errors: 1 three times

Rookie power hitter who has become one of the top clutch hitters on the team ... provided the game-winning three-run home run in the top of the seventh at #4 Nebraska ... hit six home runs in seven games at one point this season ... holds the team freshman record for home runs in a season with seven ... uncanny hitter with runners in scoring position, hitting .450 in that situation.

#9 • Chantal DeAlcuaz • So. • R/R • Modesto, Calif. • C

Season Highs –

Putouts: 2 vs. Boston College (4-27)
 Assists: 1 vs. Boston College (4-27)

#11 • Jenny Kriech • Sr. • L/L • Indianapolis, Ind. • OF

Season Highs –

Runs 3 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 3 vs. Boston College (4-27)
 Hits: 4 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)
 4 vs. Boston College (4-27)
 RBI: 4 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 Doubles: 2 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 2 vs. Villanova (5-5)
 Triples: 1 vs. Illinois State (3-1)
 Home Runs: 1 three times
 Total Bases: 8 vs. Boston College (4-27)
 Stolen Bases: 2 vs. Louisville (2-16)
 2 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)

Putouts: 3 vs. St. John's (4-6)
 Assists: 1 three times
 Errors: 1 vs. #10 Fresno State (3-16)
 1 vs. St. John's (4-6)

Career Highs –

Runs: 3 four times
 Hits: 4 vs. Seton Hall (4-7-02)
 4 vs. Boston College (4-27-02)
 RBI: 4 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

Irish leadoff hitter ... has 16 multiple hit games and four multiple RBI games ... compiled 10-game hit streak from 3-16 - 4-9 ... senior tri-captain with Kas Hoag and Jarrah Myers ... hit first career home run at Ivy Field vs. IUPUI-Fort Wayne.

#14 • Nicole deFau • So. • R/R • Southington, Conn. • UT

Season Highs –

Runs: 1 13 times
 Hits: 1 12 times
 RBI: 2 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 Doubles: 1 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)
 1 vs. Villanova (5-5)
 Home Runs: 1 vs. Texas Tech (3-15)
 Stolen Bases: 1 five times

Putouts: 2 three times
 Errors: 1 vs. #19 La. Lafayette (3-1)

Career Highs –

Runs: 1 25 times
 Hits: 1 15 times
 RBI: 2 vs. Hofstra (2-17-01)
 2 vs. Indiana State (4-17-02)

Stroked pinch-hit game-winning home run vs. Texas Tech at the 2002 Kia Klassic ... has been steady on defense this season, while providing timely hitting ... can play all outfield positions and second base.

#18 • Andria Bledsoe • Jr. • R/R • Higley, Ariz. • SS

Season Highs –

Runs: 3 three times
 Hits: 3 three times
 RBI: 3 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)
 3 vs. Villanova (5-5)
 Doubles: 1 nine times
 Triples: 1 vs. Illinois State (3-1)
 Home Runs: 1 seven times
 Total Bases: 6 three times
 Stolen Bases: 2 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)

Putouts: 5 vs. Long Beach State (3-13)
 Assists: 4 six times
 Errors: 1 five times

Career Highs –

Runs: 3 three times
 Hits: 4 vs. UCSB (2-19-00)
 RBI: 3 four times

Irish shortstop has been extremely steady defensively, committing just five errors ... one of the top run producers on the team with 40 RBI ... has developed into one of Notre Dame's top power hitters with a career-best seven home runs this season ... quick enough to steal bases, going eight for 10 in steal opportunities this season ... one of the toughest players on the Irish roster.

#21 • Megan Ciolli • Fr. • L/R • Terre Haute, Ind. • OF

Season/Career Highs –

Runs: 2 seven times
 Hits: 3 three times
 RBI: 3 three times
 Doubles: 1 four times
 Triples: 1 five times
 Home Runs: 1 three times
 Total Bases: 6 vs. Long Beach State (3-13)
 Stolen Bases: 2 vs. Villanova (5-5)

Putouts: 4 vs. #18 DePaul (5-2)
 Assists: 3 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)

BIG EAST Conference rookie of the year candidate ... has enjoyed a stellar freshman campaign ... hit three home run in the first month of the season ... among the team leaders in batting average, runs scored and stolen bases ... the best bunter on the team, boasting 10 sacrifice bunts and 13 sacrifice hits overall ... has not committed an error this season ... provided one of the team's biggest hits this season with a bases-loaded triple to drive in all three runs in the bottom of the sixth in a 3-2 victory over #18 DePaul.

#22 • Jarrah Myers • Sr. • R/R • Carbondale, Kan. • C

Season Highs –

Runs: 4 vs. N. Mexico State (2-16)
 Hits: 3 three times
 RBI: 4 vs. Virginia Tech (4-20)
 Doubles: 2 vs. N. Mexico State (2-16)
 2 vs. Loyola Chicago (4-1)
 Triples: 1 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)
 Home Runs: 2 vs. Virginia Tech (4-20)
 Total Bases: 8 vs. Virginia Tech (4-20)
 Stolen Bases: 2 vs. Long Beach State (3-13)
 2 vs. Indiana State (4-17)

Putouts: 11 vs. New Mexico (3-16)
 11 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)
 Assists: 4 vs. #18 DePaul (5-2)
 Errors: 1 three times
 Passed balls: 2 vs. Boston College (4-27)

Career Highs –

Runs: 4 vs. N. Mexico State (2-16-02)
 Hits: 3 12 times
 RBI: 6 vs. CS Northridge (3-11-01)

Cemented her place as one of the all-time great Irish softball players this season ... Notre Dame career leader in home runs, RBI and walks ... can hit for power and average ... matched her own school record for home run in a

game (held by seven other people) as she broke the school career home run record in game one vs. Virginia Tech ... BIG EAST Player of the Week on April 1 and April 22.

#23 • Annie Dell'Aria • Fr. • R/R • Fairfax, Va. • C/OF

Season/Career Highs –

Runs: 3 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 Hits: 3 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 RBI: 2 vs. Valparaiso (4-9)
 2 vs. Connecticut (4-12)
 Doubles: 1 vs. St. John's (4-6)
 1 vs. Connecticut (4-12)
 Home Runs: 1 vs. S. Mississippi (2-22)

Top pinch-hit option off the Irish bench ... is hitting .302 with two doubles, one home run and seven RBI ... able to play in the outfield as well as catch.

#25 • Lisa Mattison • Jr. • R/R • Granger, Ind. • 1B

Season Highs –

Runs: 2 four times
 Hits: 3 vs. Illinois-Chicago (4-4)
 3 vs. Providence (4-29)
 RBI: 4 vs. Illinois-Chicago (4-4)
 4 vs. Providence (4-29)
 Doubles: 1 seven times
 Home Runs: 2 vs. Providence (4-29)
 Total Bases: 9 vs. Providence (4-29)

Putouts: 13 vs. Purdue (4-11)
 Assists: 2 vs. #8 Arizona State (2-23)
 2 vs. Long Beach State (3-13)
 Errors: 2 vs. Rutgers (5-3)

Career Highs –

Runs: 2 four times
 Hits: 3 vs. Illinois-Chicago (4-4-02)
 3 vs. Providence (4-29-02)
 RBI: 4 vs. Illinois-Chicago (4-4-02)
 4 vs. Providence (4-29-02)

First-year every day starter who has established career highs in batting average, home runs, RBI, games played and games started ... led the BIG EAST Conference in hitting for most of the season ... joined teammates Jarrah Myers and Liz Hartmann in hitting two home runs in a game this season (vs. Providence - game two) ... has been steady defensively this season with just eight errors ... BIG EAST Player of the Week on April 8.

#33 • Andrea Loman • Jr. • R/R • Riverside, Calif. • 3B

Season Highs –

Runs: 3 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)
 3 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 Hits: 3 four times
 RBI: 3 vs. Pittsburgh (3-30)
 3 vs. Indiana State (3-30)
 Doubles: 1 nine times
 Home Runs: 1 10 times
 Total Bases: 6 four times
 Stolen Bases: 2 vs. St. John's (4-6)

Putouts: 8 vs. Indiana State (4-17)
 Assists: 8 vs. Purdue (4-11)
 Errors: 2 vs. Seton Hall (4-7)

Career Highs –

Runs: 3 three times
 Hits: 3 six times
 RBI: 3 seven times

One of the top third basemen in the country ... can make spectacular plays defensively, hit mammoth home runs and hit for a high average (currently .393) ... among the team leaders in batting average, home runs, RBI, stolen bases and fielding percentage ... has been playing with a broken index finger on her throwing hand since the first game at Seton Hall (April 7) ... hit a home run in the second game of the doubleheader vs. the Pirates with the broken finger unsplinted ... hit a legendary home run to key Notre Dame's victory at Long Beach State (estimated to be at least a 325-foot home run).

Record-setting season: As the Irish enjoy another successful season, they are threatening a number of season records. Here is where the Irish currently stand on the top-five season record lists, with current player stats in 2002 indicated by **bold/italics**:

Highest Batting Average

(Minimum 50 at bats)

1. Meghan Murray (1997) .....	.422
2. Meghan Murray (1996) .....	.402
3. Katie Marten (1995) .....	.399
Andrea Loman .....	.395
4. Sara Hayes (1994) .....	.394
5. Jenn Giampaolo (1996) .....	.387
Jarrah Myers .....	.384

Most Runs

1. Katie Marten (1996)	52
2. Jenny Kriech (2001)	50
3. Meghan Murray (1996)	48
4. Jenny Kriech (2000)	45
Jarrah Myers	45
5. Jenn Giampaolo (1996)	43
Andrea Loman	42
Andria Bledsoe	39

Most Doubles

1. Lizzy Lemire (1999)	17
Jenn Giampaolo (1996)	17
3. Elizabeth Perkins (1997)	15
Sara Hayes (1992)	15
Melanie Alkire (2000)	15
5. Six others with	14
Jenny Kriech	12

Most Triples

1. Jenny Kriech (2001)	10
2. Jenny Kriech (2000)	8
Katie Marten (1997)	8
4. Andy Keys (1993)	6
Megan Ciolli	5
5. Meghan Murray (1996)	5

Most Home Runs

1. Melanie Alkire (2000)	13
2. Jarrah Myers (2000)	12
Jarrah Myers	11
3. Andrea Loman	10
Melanie Alkire (1999)	10
Sara Hayes (1994)	10
4. Kris McCleary (1999)	7

Andria Bledsoe	7
Liz Hartmann	7
Jarrah Myers (2001)	7
Sara Hayes (1995)	7

Most Runs Batted In

1. Melanie Alkire (2000)	64
2. Sara Hayes (1994)	48
3. Meghan Murray (1996)	47
Jarrah Myers (2000)	47
Jarrah Myers	45
5. Meghan Murray (1997)	42
Andria Bledsoe	40
Liz Hartmann	37

Most Walks

Jarrah Myers	28
1. Jarrah Myers (2001)	27
2. Kelly Rowe (1997)	26
3. Andrea Loman (2000)	25
Andrea Loman	24
4. Mia Faust (1989)	24
5. Sara Hayes (1995)	21
Jenny Kriech (2001)	21

Most Stolen Bases

1. Katie Marten (1996)	21
2. Katie Marten (1995)	20
3. Jenny Kriech (2001)	19
4. Jenn Giampaolo (1998)	17
Andrea Loman (2000)	17
Andrea Loman	16
Jarrah Myers	14

Most Assists

1. Ruth Kmak (1992)	144
2. Christy Connoyer (1994)	132
3. Meghan Murray (1997)	129
4. Meghan Murray (1996)	126
Meghan Murray (1995)	126
Deb Boulac (1992)	126
Andria Bledsoe	98
Andrea Loman	91

Highest Fielding Percentage

(Minimum 50 chances)

1. Amy Folsom (1992) .....	.996
2. Elizabeth Perkins (1995) .....	.992
Jarrah Myers (2001) .....	.992
Jarrah Myers .....	.991
3. Amy Folsom (1991) .....	.991
4. Andrea Loman (2000) .....	.989
5. Stephanie Pinter (1994) .....	.989

PITCHING SEASON RECORDS

Most Appearances

Steffany Stenglein	45
1. Missy Linn (1989)	42
2. Jennifer Sharron (2000)	39
Carrie Wisen	37
3. Kelly Nichols (1995)	37
Terri Kobata (1994)	37
4. Staci Alford (1992)	36
5. Angela Bessolo (1999)	35

Most Games Started

Steffany Stenglein	38
1. Jennifer Sharron ('00, '01)	32
2. Terri Kobata (1994)	30
3. Jennifer Sharron (1999)	29
Kristin Schmidt (2001)	29
4. Angela Bessolo (1996)	28
5. Missy Linn (1989)	27

Most Wins

1. Kristin Schmidt (2001)	27
Jennifer Sharron (2001)	27
2. Jennifer Sharron (2000)	26
3. Terri Kobata (1995)	24
Steffany Stenglein	23
4. Terri Kobata (1994)	23
5. Missy Linn (1989)	22

Most Strikeouts

1. Terri Kobata (1994)	315
2. Terri Kobata (1995)	250
3. Kristin Schmidt (2001)	247
4. Jennifer Sharron (2000)	246
5. Jennifer Sharron (2001)	224
Steffany Stenglein	195

Irish dominate BIG EAST Conference final statistical leaders: BIG EAST Conference competition ended on May 6, 2002, and the conference office has released the final statistical leaders. Notre Dame appears prominently in most of the lists (conference-only statistics).

Team Batting

Notre Dame .....	.336
Syracuse .....	.297
Villanova .....	.261
Seton Hall .....	.233
Pittsburgh .....	.223

Team Pitching (ERA)

Notre Dame	0.98
Villanova	1.28
Syracuse	1.70
Boston College	1.76
St. John's	1.92

Individual Batting

Jarrah Myers	ND	.462
Sara Carlson	VU	.455
Tanya Rose	SU	.444
Andrea Loman	ND	.431
Lisa Mattison	ND	.426

Individual Pitching (ERA)

Tekae Malandris	BC	0.55
Carrie Wisen	ND	0.56
Theresa Hornick	VU	0.80
Heather Brown	SU	0.95
Steffany Stenglein	ND	1.13

Hits

Andrea Loman	ND	28
Tanya Rose	SU	28
Christina Holowich	SU	26
Megan Ciolli	ND	25
Sara Carlson	VU	25

Home Runs

Jarrah Myers	ND	8
Andrea Loman	ND	6
Laura Taylor	SHU	6
Julie Dunn	SU	4
Andria Bledsoe	ND	4
Clarissa Crowell	VT	4
Kim Jackson	SHU	4

Triples

Megan Ciolli	ND	3
Megan Antonucci	RU	2

Stolen Bases

Megan Ciolli	ND	9
Andrea Loman	ND	8
Tanya Rose	SU	7
Christina Holowich	SU	6
Beth Gill	UP	6

Walks

Cheryl Julicher	SU	14
Clarisa Crowell	VT	12
Meaghan Asselta	RU	12
Jarrah Myers	ND	11
Mindi Wylie	VT	11

Runs Scored

Jarrah Myers	ND	23
Andrea Loman	ND	22
Megan Ciolli	ND	21
Andria Bledsoe	ND	20
Christina Holowich	SU	14

Doubles

Andrea Loman	ND	8
Jen Asbury	BC	8
Ricci Lugo	VU	7
Christina Holowich	SU	7
Andria Bledsoe	ND	7

RBI

Jarrah Myers	ND	27
Andria Bledsoe	ND	22
Andrea Loman	ND	20
Tanya Rose	SU	16
Julie Dunn	SU	14

Total Bases

Andrea Loman	ND	54
Jarrah Myers	ND	50
Tanya Rose	SU	43
Andria Bledsoe	ND	43
Laura Taylor	SHU	37

On Base Percentage

Jarrah Myers	ND	.559
Lisa Mattison	ND	.530
Sara Carlson	VU	.523
Cara Blumfield	BC	.517
Andrea Loman	ND	.486

Slugging Percentage

Jarrah Myers	ND	.962
Andrea Loman	ND	.831
Andria Bledsoe	ND	.729
Clarisa Crowell	VT	.694
Lisa Mattison	ND	.685

Wins

Steffany Stenglein	ND	13-2
Theresa Hornick	VU	12-4
Ashlee Dobbe	VT	10-4
Heather Brown	SU	7-2
Leah Black	RU	7-5

Strikeouts

Theresa Hornick	VU	103
Meghan Allman	SJU	99
Steffany Stenglein	ND	93
Ashlee Dobbe	VT	86
Heather Brown	SU	68

Opp. Batting Average

Theresa Hornick	VU	.131
Steffany Stenglein	ND	.142
Tekae Malandris	BC	.143
Ashlee Dobbe	VT	.182
Leah Black	RU	.186

Team Fielding

Virginia Tech .....	.975
Syracuse .....	.972
Villanova .....	.972
Notre Dame .....	.968
Boston College .....	.967