



ND Season
in Review

The 2005 Monogram Club Team MVP, Megan Ciolli led the Irish in batting average (.373), hits (72) and stolen bases (33) and earned third-team NFCA All-America honors.

Softball Finishes One Win Away from Super Regional

Ivy Field plays host to NCAA action for the first time in the program's history; Irish finish 46-15

The 2005 Notre Dame softball season ended up as another successful campaign for head coach Deanna Gumpf and her troops. The team steadily improved throughout the season, experienced one of the best pitching-staff performances in school history and earned the opportunity to play on its home turf in NCAA regional action for the first time.

The Irish entered regional play with a 44-13 record and a runner-up finish in the 2005 BIG EAST Championship. For the second consecutive season Notre Dame fell to Seton Hall in extra innings for the league title. In the end, Notre Dame's impressive regular-season effort (which included a 20-game win streak) and 10th consecutive BIG EAST regular-season title earned the Irish a host site for the NCAA Championship.

The 2005 NCAA women's softball tournament featured a new format, beginning with regionals (with four teams), followed by super regionals and then the Women's College World Series. Previously the regionals played host to eight teams followed by the series.

Notre Dame welcomed Louisville, Northwestern and Albany to Ivy Field for NCAA Regional No. 9. Notre Dame won its first two games of the tournament, including a victory over the top-seeded Wildcats from Northwestern, but NU recovered on the final day of action to defeat Notre Dame twice and move on to the NCAA Super Regionals.

Notre Dame's 2005 season began in traditional format, as the team spent the first six weekends of the season on the road. The Irish criss-crossed the country, appearing in Florida, California and Hawaii during the tournament season.

The first tournament on the schedule was the GRU Classic, hosted by the University of Florida. After dropping the first two games of the weekend to #19 Florida and #21 South Florida, the Irish recovered to rip off three consecutive victories and claim the tournament title.

The win streak began with a 2-0 victory over Coastal Carolina. Senior Steffany Stenglein flashed a sign of things to come in the following game, pitching a complete-game three-hitter in a 5-1 victory over South Florida. In the tournament championship game against Florida, Notre Dame handed the Gators their first loss of the season with a 4-2 victory. Senior Megan Ciolli posted two RBI singles in the big win over Florida.

Notre Dame followed up the next weekend with a trip out to San Diego, Calif., for the Campbell-Cartier Tournament. Under threatening skies Notre Dame inched past Utah 3-2 on the strength of 10 strikeouts from Stenglein and two RBI from Stephanie Brown. Unfortunately, the rest of the weekend would end in weather frustration as potential matchups with Fresno State, UCLA, San Diego State and Central Michigan were washed out due to heavy rain all weekend in the San Diego area.

The long layoff from action surely affected the Irish the next weekend at the Palm Springs Classic in Palm Springs, Calif. Loyola Marymount handed the Irish a 7-0 loss in the opener, which was followed by a hard-fought 3-1 loss to #3/4 UCLA. Pacific (9-1 victory) and Arizona State (2-1 win) contributed to the Irish frustration, but just when things seemed the

darkest for the team, they rebounded to shock #5/6 Tennessee 5-2 to cap the weekend with a victory. Megan Ruthrauff delivered the big blow in the victory over the Volunteers, crushing a three-run home run in the third inning.

Now on Spring Break, the Irish split a doubleheader with Loyola Marymount and inched by UCSB 1-0 to reach .500 on the season (7-7) before heading to Hawaii for the Spring Fling Tournament.

The Irish offense finally woke up during the event. Notre Dame crushed Campbell 6-1 in the opener, defeated Hawaii 9-1 in five innings in game two, knocked out Virginia 3-1 in game three, dispatched Nevada 7-1 in game four. The championship game of the tournament was rained out, but the Irish ended up batting .417 during the tournament with 45 hits, six doubles and 21 RBI in the four victories.

What momentum the Irish gained by their run through the Hawaii Spring Fling was lost when Marshall's Leigh Wintner crushed a three-run home run in the top of the seventh to push her team to a 7-4 upset of the Irish in game one of the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus, Ohio, the next weekend. Notre Dame rebounded to defeat Oakland 8-0 in five innings (Stenglein struck out 10 in five innings of work), while a three-run homer by Liz Hartmann provided the winning margin in a 4-1 victory over Eastern Michigan. With weather delays plaguing the tournament all weekend, a scheduled matchup between Notre Dame and Ohio State was not played.

Done with the early-season tournament schedule, Notre Dame returned to its stomping grounds to prepare for BIG EAST Conference competition. Ivy Field welcomed Western Michigan for a single game on March 24, and the Irish just edged the Broncos 2-1 on a seventh-inning RBI single by freshman Katie Laing.

Valparaiso was next on the schedule, and the Irish eased by the Crusaders with a doubleheader sweep, claiming 5-0 and 10-0 victories. Hartmann finished the two games three for four with a home run and five RBI, while junior Heather Booth and senior Carrie Wisen combined to pitch a perfect game in the second victory.

The win streak continued with a 10-0 thrashing over Loyola Chicago in the Windy City. Notre Dame piled up a season-high 16 hits in the victory.

BIG EAST Conference action began the next weekend, and Notre Dame began the league schedule in fine form, defeating Villanova 4-0 and 2-0 behind great pitching and timely hitting. Laing began what would be a fantastic rookie season in the BIG EAST with a home run in game two, while Stenglein allowed just one hit and a complete-game, 10-strikeout performance in game one.



Steffany Stenglein posted one of the most dominating pitching seasons in Notre Dame history during the 2005 campaign. She finished the year with 310 strikeouts and a 1.07 ERA to earn her second BIG EAST Pitcher-of-the-Year award.

Returning to campus at 1:30 a.m. on Tuesday after the Villanova sweep (the games were delayed to Monday due to inclement weather), Notre Dame shook off fatigue to down Eastern Michigan 1-0 and 7-5 in a doubleheader sweep. The win streak drew to 11 games just two days later when the Irish posted a 4-1 victory over visiting Ball State, bolstered by a three-run homer by Liz Hartmann.

The Irish headed back on the road the next weekend at Pittsburgh, picking up another doubleheader sweep. Laing helped the Irish to victory with a three for six performance with four RBI in the two games. Notre Dame headed back to Chicago two days later for a single game at UIC. The 4-0 victory over the Ramblers was highlighted by Ciolli's 61st career stolen base, setting the school record in that category (Ciolli swiped three bases in the UIC game).

The road trip continued with two thrilling victories at Providence. Game one was won single-handedly by Stenglein, who completely shut down the Friars with a 15-strikeout performance. Providence posted its first and only hit in the seventh inning.

In game two, the Irish were down to their final out before back-to-back doubles from Ruthrauff and Laing pushed the game-tying and game-winning runs across the plate in the top of the seventh. Stenglein slammed the door in the seventh inning to pick up her second win of the day.



The weekend dramatics continued at Connecticut. Notre Dame won game one 2-0, bolstered by a solo home run from Laing. Game two was won in extra innings on an RBI double by Laing in the top of the eighth.

The road trip (and third visit to Chicago) continued on April 19 with a visit to regional-rival DePaul. The Irish carried a 19-game win streak into the doubleheader, and the teams battled for eight innings of excellent softball in game one. Stenglein was brilliant again, allowing three hits, one run and striking out 14 batters on a team that would advance to the Women's College World Series. Kellie Middleton delivered the clutch hit with an RBI single in the top of the eighth to push Notre Dame to a 2-1 victory.

Booth could not find her pitching groove in game two, however, and DePaul utilized a four-run first inning to end Notre Dame's win streak at 20 games with a 7-4 victory.

Back home at Ivy Field, Notre Dame returned to its winning ways with a doubleheader sweep (1-0 and 3-2) over Akron. Booth quickly recovered from her rough outing at DePaul to post a complete-game one-hit shutout in game one against the Zips.

The home-stand continued with two stellar games against St. John's, as Notre Dame posted two 8-0, five-inning victories over the Red Storm, setting up a showdown with Seton Hall for first place in the BIG EAST standings.

Coming off an extra-inning victory over the Irish in the 2004 BIG EAST Championship, Seton Hall kept its extra-inning magic alive in game one against the Irish. With the game locked at 1-1 in the top of the ninth inning, SHU popped a fluke hit behind first base to drive in the winning run. Notre Dame answered with a resounding 11-4 victory in game

two, but SHU's extra-inning win would be a harbinger of things to come in the BIG EAST Championship.

If the dramatic loss in game one against Seton Hall affected the Irish, they did not show it in a single-game matchup with #15 Northwestern. Trailing the Wildcats 3-0 in the bottom of the seventh, Notre Dame scored four unearned runs to stun the visitors at Ivy Field. Junior Sara Schoonaert provided the big hit with a walk-off two-RBI single with two outs in the bottom of the seventh.

Notre Dame's extra-innings struggles continued in an unusual doubleheader at home against Boston College. The Irish posted an 8-0, five-inning victory in game one, but dropped a 5-4 loss in 11 innings in the second contest. Notre Dame led game two until the seventh when the Eagles benefited from a hit-by-pitch and wild pitch to scratch across the tying run. Boston College won the contest in the top of the 11th on an RBI single with a close play at home plate.

Refocused on earning the BIG EAST regular-season title and number-one seed in the conference tournament, Notre Dame ended the regular season with doubleheaders sweeps of Syracuse (6-1, 7-3) and Rutgers (11-0, 7-1) to claim the team's 10th consecutive regular-season BIG EAST title. Seton Hall finished second, followed by Syracuse and Villanova. All four teams would appear in South Bend, Ind., at the Belleville Complex, as the BIG EAST Conference switched back to a neutral site after staging the 2004 tournament at Syracuse (the previous two tournaments were held at a neutral site in Salem, Va.).

Stenglein, who earlier the same day was named the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year, began the tournament for the Irish with a brilliant performance against Villanova. She allowed just one hit (coming in the top of the seventh) and struck out 10 in a 3-0 Irish victory.

Seton Hall was up next for the Irish, and the Pirates continued their recent success against Notre Dame. Leading the game 1-0 heading into the bottom of the seventh, the Irish saw Seton Hall erase the lead in the seventh.

A lead-off error gave SHU a free base runner at second base who was immediately sacrificed to third. With BIG EAST Player of the Year Laura Taylor due up, the Irish decided to walk the slugger with the tying run on third and less than two outs. Seton Hall countered with a pinch runner who immediately stole second to put the winning run in scoring position.

Lindsay Trotter stepped in for Seton Hall and hit the ball right on the seams, but directly at Ciolli in center field. The Irish All-American fielded the ball cleanly and threw a strike to home plate to hold the runner. That play would quickly be forgotten, however, as Kate DePaul stepped in and drilled a single to right field, scoring both runners and pushing Notre Dame into the loser's bracket of the tournament.

Two rain delays pushed the Notre Dame - Syracuse elimination game to a 9:15 p.m. start time. Booth pitched a complete-game four-hitter during the 4-1 victory to push Notre Dame into another matchup with Seton Hall, but his time the Irish would need to defeat the Pirates twice for the tournament title.

Unfortunately for the Irish, Seton Hall continued its late-inning heroics in the BIG EAST Championship game. Notre Dame would be able to touch SHU All-American pitcher Megan Meyer for seven hits, but also stranded seven runners during the contest.

The game remained scoreless into the extra innings (the fourth SHU-Notre Dame meeting in the last six to go into extra innings) when Seton Hall broke through in the top of the 11th with two RBI sin-



As a freshman in 2005, Katie Laing played a key role in Notre Dame's success. She hit .333 in conference competition with 15 RBI and three stolen bases. Overall, Laing drove in 23 runs while matching the school single-season record for doubles (17).



While Liz Hartmann was known to be a slugger during her career with the Irish, she also stabilized the Notre Dame defense in 2004 and '05 with solid play at third base.

gles. Notre Dame would rally with one single run in the bottom of the 11th, but the rally ended with a pop up to second base and Seton Hall celebrated its second consecutive extra-inning victory over the Irish to win the BIG EAST title.

Notre Dame's impressive season earned the team a host site for the 2005 NCAA Championship and the team responded to finish just one win away from a spot in the Super Regionals. Notre Dame rallied for a 3-2 victory over Louisville in game one on a two-RBI single by senior Carrie Wisen in the bottom of the sixth. The Irish then handed Northwestern a 3-2 loss in the second game on a great pitching performance from Booth and a solo home run by Ciolli that proved to be the game-winning run.

Northwestern rallied back in the tournament, however. Facing elimination, NU posted back-to-back home runs in game one to push Booth out of the game and post a 4-1 victory. The Wildcats then held off the Irish 4-3 in game two and move onto the Super Regionals, where they were eliminated by DePaul.

The season ended in frustrating fashion for the Irish, but the team's accomplishments cannot be overlooked. Stenglein and Booth combined for a school-record 527 strikeouts, Megan Ciolli set the school records for career stolen bases and hits, and the team earned its 10th consecutive BIG EAST Conference regular-season crown.

The Irish will face a restructured conference in 2006. DePaul, Louisville and South Florida, all respected national softball powers, will join the BIG EAST for softball competition and the BIG EAST Championship tournament (to be hosted by the City of South Bend, Ind., once again) will feature eight teams for the first time in league history.





2005 University of Notre Dame Softball

Record: 46-15 (Home: 15-2, Away: 18-3, Neutral: 13-10)

BIG EAST: 16-2 • BIG EAST Regular-Season Champions • NCAA Tournament - Region 9

Date	Opponent	Result (Inn.)	Score	ND Line	Opp. Line	ND Pitcher (Record)	Game-winning run/Game-winning hit
2-11-05	lat #19 Florida	L	2-3	2/4/0	3/3/1	Stenglein (L, 0-1)	-
2-11-05	lvs. #21 South Florida	L	0-5	0/1/3	5/6/1	Booth (L, 0-1)	-
2-12-05	lvs. Coastal Carolina	W	2-0	2/5/1	0/2/0	Booth (W, 1-1)	Middleton/Ciolfi
2-12-05	lvs. #21 South Florida	W	5-1	5/7/1	1/3/3	Stenglein (W, 1-1)	Hartmann/Jaquish
2-13-05	lat #19 Florida	W	4-2	4/9/1	2/5/0	Booth (W, 2-1)	Schoonaert/Ciolfi
2-18-05	@vs. Utah	W	3-2	3/8/2	2/3/2	Stenglein (W, 2-1)	Schoonaert/Middleton
2-25-05	\$vs. Loyola Marymount	L	0-7	0/7/2	7/7/0	Stenglein (L, 2-2)	-
2-25-05	\$vs. #3 UCLA	L	1-3	1/2/1	3/6/0	Booth (L, 2-2)	-
2-26-05	\$vs. #20 Pacific	L	1-9	1/9/2	9/12/0	Booth (L, 2-3)	-
2-26-05	\$vs. Arizona State	L	1-2	1/4/1	2/8/1	Stenglein (L, 2-3)	-
2-27-05	\$vs. #5 Tennessee	W	5-2	5/8/0	2/3/1	Booth (W, 3-3)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
3-6-05	at Loyola Marymount	W	2-1	2/7/2	7/7/0	Booth (W, 4-3)	Brown/Ruthrauff
3-6-05	at Loyola Marymount	L	0-5	0/2/0	5/4/0	Stenglein (L, 2-4)	-
3-7-05	at UC Santa Barbara	W	1-0	1/4/0	0/6/1	Booth (W, 5-3)	Middleton/Schoonaert
3-9-05	%vs. Campbell	W	6-1	6/12/0	1/3/1	Stenglein (W, 3-4)	Lenn/Middleton
3-9-05	%at Hawaii	W	9-1 (5)	9/13/0	1/2/3	Booth (W, 6-3)	Laing/Brown
3-10-05	%vs. Virginia	W	3-1	3/7/0	1/3/0	Stenglein (W, 4-4)	Middleton/Ciolfi
3-11-05	%vs. Nevada	W	7-1	7/13/0	1/5/0	Booth (W, 7-3)	Lenn/Hartmann
3-19-05	&vs. Marshall	L	4-7	4/9/2	7/8/3	Booth (L, 7-4)	-
3-20-05	&vs. Oakland	W	8-0 (5)	8/11/0	0/3/3	Stenglein (W, 5-4)	Smith/Hartmann
3-20-05	&vs. Eastern Michigan	W	4-1	4/8/2	1/2/1	Booth (W, 8-4)	Ruthrauff/Hartmann
3-24-05	Western Michigan	W	2-1	2/4/0	1/5/2	Booth (W, 9-4)	Wicks/Wisen
3-30-05	Valparaiso	W	5-0	5/10/2	0/2/2	Stenglein (W, 6-4)	Hartmann/Lenn
3-30-05	Valparaiso	W	10-0 (5)	10/10/0	0/0/2	Wisen (W, 1-0)	Brown/Brown
3-31-05	at Loyola Chicago	W	10-0	10/16/0	0/1/1	Booth (W, 10-4)	Laing/Ciolfi
4-4-05	*at Villanova	W	4-0	4/9/1	0/1/3	Stenglein (W, 7-4)	Laing/Wisen
4-4-05	*at Villanova	W	2-0	2/7/0	0/3/0	Booth (W, 11-4)	Laing/Laing
4-5-05	Eastern Michigan	W	1-0	1/2/0	0/2/1	Stenglein (W, 8-4)	Ciolfi/Ruthrauff
4-5-05	Eastern Michigan	W	7-5	7/9/2	5/7/1	Stenglein (W, 9-4)	Jaquish/Middleton
4-7-05	Ball State	W	4-1	4/8/2	1/3/0	Booth (W, 12-4)	Hartmann/Hartmann
4-9-05	*at Pittsburgh	W	7-2	7/11/0	2/4/5	Stenglein (W, 10-4)	Smith/Lenn
4-9-05	*at Pittsburgh	W	6-0	6/12/1	0/2/0	Booth (W, 13-4)	Smith/Wisen
4-14-05	at Illinois-Chicago	W	4-0	4/8/1	0/2/0	Stenglein (W, 11-4)	Middleton/Ciolfi
4-16-05	*at Providence	W	1-0	1/4/0	0/1/2	Stenglein (W, 12-4)	Smith/Brown
4-16-05	*at Providence	W	5-4	5/7/1	4/5/1	Stenglein (W, 13-4)	Ruthrauff/Laing
4-17-05	*at Connecticut	W	2-0	2/6/1	0/4/0	Stenglein (W, 14-4)	Laing/Laing
4-17-05	*at Connecticut	W	3-2 (8)	3/8/1	2/2/3	Booth (W, 14-4)	Ciolfi/Laing
4-19-05	at DePaul	W	2-1 (8)	2/5/0	1/3/0	Stenglein (W, 15-4)	Wicks/Middleton
4-19-05	at DePaul	L	4-7	4/5/0	7/9/2	Booth (L, 14-5)	-
4-21-05	Akron	W	1-0	1/4/1	0/1/1	Booth (W, 15-5)	Brown/Ciolfi
4-21-05	Akron	W	3-2	3/10/2	2/4/1	Fuemmeler (W, 1-0)	Ciolfi/Laing
4-22-05	*St. John's	W	8-0 (5)	8/7/0	0/1/1	Stenglein (W, 16-4)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
4-22-05	*St. John's	W	8-0 (5)	8/10/0	0/1/2	Booth (W, 16-5)	Brown/Ciolfi
4-25-05	*Seton Hall	L	1-2 (9)	1/5/0	2/3/0	Stenglein (L, 16-5)	-
4-25-05	*Seton Hall	W	11-4	11/12/0	4/7/3	Booth (W, 17-5)	Smith/Lenn
4-26-05	#15 Northwestern	W	4-3	4/3/2	3/8/2	Stenglein (W, 17-5)	Middleton/Schoonaert
4-29-05	*Boston College	W	8-0 (5)	8/9/0	0/1/2	Stenglein (W, 18-5)	Ciolfi/Middleton
4-29-05	*Boston College	L	4-5 (11)	4/12/4	5/4/1	Booth (L, 17-6)	-
5-1-05	*Syracuse	W	6-1	6/11/1	1/3/0	Stenglein (W, 19-5)	Schoonaert/Middleton
5-1-05	*Syracuse	W	7-3	7/8/0	3/9/3	Booth (W, 18-6)	Ruthrauff/Wisen
5-7-05	*at Rutgers	W	11-0	11/10/0	0/3/2	Stenglein (W, 20-5)	Brown/Ruthrauff
5-7-05	*at Rutgers	W	7-1	7/13/1	1/4/2	Booth (W, 19-6)	Brown/Ciolfi
5-10-05	at Purdue	W	4-1	4/8/0	1/1/0	Booth (W, 20-6)	Lenn/Lenn
5-12-05	+vs. Villanova	W	3-0	3/6/0	0/1/0	Stenglein (W, 21-5)	Ciolfi/Ruthrauff
5-13-05	+vs. Seton Hall	L	1-2	1/6/1	2/3/2	Stenglein (L, 21-6)	-
5-13-05	+vs. Syracuse	W	4-1	4/9/3	1/4/0	Booth (W, 21-6)	Schoonaert/Brown
5-14-05	+vs. Seton Hall	L	1-2 (11)	1/7/2	2/9/1	Booth (L, 21-7)	-
5-20-05	^vs. Louisville	W	3-2	3/7/0	2/10/1	Booth (W, 22-7)	Ciolfi/Wisen
5-21-05	^vs. #18 Northwestern	W	3-2	3/5/0	2/6/2	Booth (W, 23-7)	Ciolfi/Ciolfi
5-22-05	^vs. #18 Northwestern	L	1-4	1/2/2	4/7/0	Booth (L, 23-8)	-
5-22-05	^vs. #18 Northwestern	L	3-4	3/8/2	4/3/2	Stenglein (L, 21-7)	-

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Final 2005 Offensive Statistics

Player	Avg.	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB-SLG	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF-SH	SB-SBA
Megan Ciolli	.373	61-61	193	42	72	11	2	3	30	96-.497	10	4	16	.413	1-6	33-39
BIG EAST	.355	18-18	62	14	22	2	1	0	7	26-.419	2	0	3	.375	0-4	12-14
Stephanie Brown	.339	61-61	186	35	63	9	1	3	14	83-.446	23	6	26	.426	1-4	11-17
BIG EAST	.431	18-18	58	13	25	2	0	1	5	30-.517	9	2	7	.514	1-0	7-9
Katie Laing	.308	61-59	169	30	52	17	1	3	23	80-.473	7	3	22	.344	1-9	6-7
BIG EAST	.333	18-18	57	13	19	8	0	3	15	36-.632	2	2	8	.371	1-1	3-3
Meagan Ruthrauff	.305	61-61	167	26	51	16	0	4	36	79-.473	31	2	21	.412	4-4	2-2
BIG EAST	.346	18-18	52	14	18	8	0	3	15	32-.615	12	0	7	.455	2-0	0-0
Kellie Middleton	.295	58-58	183	33	54	8	3	1	19	71-.388	7	3	26	.332	0-12	25-29
BIG EAST	.295	18-18	61	12	18	3	2	0	9	25-.410	3	2	13	.348	0-4	7-10
Carrie Wisen	.286	55-42	126	1	36	7	0	1	22	46-.365	2	1	17	.300	1-2	1-1
BIG EAST	.413	17-17	46	1	19	4	0	1	10	26-.565	1	0	4	.426	0-0	1-1
Sara Schoonaert	.269	61-61	145	19	39	5	2	0	16	48-.331	8	1	23	.312	0-8	7-11
BIG EAST	.292	18-18	48	8	14	2	1	0	6	18-.375	2	0	8	.320	0-4	6-7
Carissa Jaquish	.263	33-6	38	5	10	3	1	0	5	15-.395	4	1	7	.341	1-0	0-0
BIG EAST	.333	8-1	9	3	3	1	0	0	1	4-.444	1	0	1	.400	0-0	0-0
Mallorie Lenn	.253	58-55	150	9	38	8	0	3	15	55-.367	8	0	18	.289	1-8	1-2
BIG EAST	.286	18-17	42	3	12	2	0	1	11	17-.405	5	0	4	.354	1-1	0-0
Liz Hartmann	.244	59-59	160	7	39	9	1	3	34	59-.369	14	1	23	.300	5-7	0-0
BIG EAST	.208	18-18	48	1	10	2	0	0	10	12-.250	7	0	8	.293	3-2	0-0
Gessica Hufnagle	.186	35-21	43	9	8	1	0	0	2	9-.209	3	0	8	.239	0-6	2-3
BIG EAST	.200	7-1	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	1-.200	0	0	1	.200	0-2	0-1
Nicole Wicks	.067	49-5	15	18	1	0	0	1	2	4-.267	1	0	4	.125	0-1	10-15
BIG EAST	.000	16-0	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	1	.000	0-0	6-6
Sarah Smith	.000	44-0	3	14	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	2	.000	0-0	3-7
BIG EAST	.000	16-0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	2-4
Brittany Glynn	.000	9-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-1
BIG EAST	.000	5-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-1
Heather Booth	.000	40-30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
BIG EAST	.000	9-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
Kenya Fuemmeler	.000	9-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
BIG EAST	.000	2-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
Steffany Stenglein	.000	41-31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
BIG EAST	.000	13-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-.000	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0
TOTALS	.293	61-61	1579	249	463	94	11	22	218	645-.408	118	22	213	.348	15-67	101-134
BIG EAST	.328	18-18	491	101	161	34	4	8	89	227-.462	44	6	65	.384	8-18	44-56
OPP. TOTALS	.168	61-61	1485	116	249	39	4	21	100	359-.242	149	24	527	.254	5-34	35-50
BIG EAST	.135	18-18	429	24	58	8	1	3	22	77-.179	39	10	189	.222	3-10	2-5

Final 2005 Pitching Statistics

Player	ERA	WL	APP-GS-CG	SHO-CBO	Sv	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	AB	Avg.	WP	HP	BK
Steffany Stenglein	1.07	21-7	41-31-16	8-3	2	195.2	93	42	30	69	310	16	1	11	661	.141	6	17	1
BIG EAST	0.32	9-1	13-9-8	5-1	1	64.2	24	5	3	15	121	4	0	1	213	.113	2	8	0
Heather Booth	1.57	23-8	40-30-18	7-2	3	209.2	142	67	47	69	204	22	3	8	760	.187	11	7	0
BIG EAST	1.97	7-1	9-9-5	3-0	0	60.1	32	19	17	23	67	4	1	2	208	.154	3	2	0
Kenya Fuemmeler	1.00	1-0	5-0-0	0-2	0	7.0	7	3	1	5	5	1	0	0	29	.241	1	0	0
BIG EAST	0.00	0-0	1-0-0	0-1	0	2.0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	8	.250	1	0	0
Carrie Wisen	2.90	1-0	5-0-0	0-1	0	9.2	7	4	4	6	8	0	0	2	35	.200	2	0	0
BIG EAST	DNP																		
TOTALS	1.36	46-15	61-61-34	19-4	5	422.0	249	116	82	149	527	39	4	21	1485	.168	20	24	1
BIG EAST	1.10	16-2	18-18-13	9-1	1	127.0	58	24	20	39	189	8	1	3	429	.135	6	10	0
OPP. TOALS	3.31	15-46	61-61-32	3-0	2	407.2	463	249	193	118	213	94	11	22	1579	.293	28	22	1
BIG EAST	4.50	2-16	18-18-8	0-0	0	121.1	161	101	78	44	65	34	4	8	491	.328	11	6	0



2005 Notre Dame Season Bests

Individual Bests

Runs Scored

- 3 Megan Ciolli
(vs. Loyola Chicago, 3-31)
3 Meagan Ruthrauff
(vs. St. John's, 4-22)
3 Stephanie Brown
(vs. Rutgers, 5-7)

Hits

- 3 14 times

RBI

- 5 Kellie Middleton
(vs. Syracuse, 5-1)

Doubles

- 2 Seven times

Triples

- 1 11 times

Home Runs

- 1 22 times

Total Bases

- 8 Liz Hartmann
(vs. E. Michigan, 3-20)

Stolen Bases

- 3 Megan Ciolli, twice
(vs. USF, 2-12; vs. UIC, 4-14)

Putouts

- 20 Mallorie Lenn
(vs. Seton Hall, 4-25)

Assists

- 5 Liz Hartmann
(vs. Loyola Chicago, 3-31)
5 Heather Booth
(vs. Boston College, 4-29)
5 Liz Hartmann
(vs. Syracuse, 5-1)

Innings Pitched

- 10.2 Heather Booth
(vs. Boston College, 4-29)

Strikeouts

- 19 Steffany Stenglein
(vs. Seton Hall, 4-25)

Final 2005 Fielding Statistics

Player	C	PO	A	E	FLD%
Carissa Jaquish	48	46	2	0	1.000
BIG EAST	1	1	0	0	1.000
Carrie Wisen	5	1	4	0	1.000
BIG EAST	DNP				
Kenya Fuemmeler	4	0	4	0	1.000
BIG EAST	0	0	0	0	.000
Nicole Wicks	2	2	0	0	1.000
BIG EAST	1	1	0	0	1.000
Mallorie Lenn	360	344	15	1	.997
BIG EAST	177	171	5	1	.994
Meagan Ruthrauff	312	292	15	5	.984
BIG EAST	75	69	4	2	.973
Megan Ciolli	59	58	0	1	.983
BIG EAST	19	19	0	0	1.000
Gessica Hufnagle	178	161	13	4	.978
BIG EAST	22	20	1	1	.955
Katie Laing	204	120	77	7	.966
BIG EAST	59	38	21	0	1.000
Stephanie Brown	60	49	8	3	.950
BIG EAST	14	11	1	2	.857
Kellie Middleton	39	33	4	2	.949
BIG EAST	13	12	1	0	1.000
Liz Hartmann	139	49	82	8	.942
BIG EAST	34	14	18	2	.941
Heather Booth	76	12	59	5	.934
BIG EAST	18	2	16	1	.947
Steffany Stenglein	26	3	21	2	.923
BIG EAST	4	0	4	0	1.000
Sara Schoonaert	186	94	77	15	.919
BIG EAST	37	21	14	2	.946
TOTALS	1698	1264	381	53	.969
BIG EAST	475	379	85	11	.977
OPPONENT TOTALS	1863	1223	564	76	.959
BIG EAST	561	364	167	30	.947



The 2005 University of Notre Dame softball team: Front row, left to right; Nicole Wicks, Kenya Fuemmeler, Kellie Middleton, Sara Schoonaert, Liz Hartmann, Megan Ciolli, Gessica Hufnagle, Katie Laing, Brittany Glynn and Sarah Smith. Back row, left to right: senior manager Jason Koralewski, associate athletic trainer Chantal Porter, strength and conditioning coach Mike Joseph, Mallorie Lenn, Heather Booth, Carrie Wisen, Stephanie Brown, Steffany Stenglein, Meagan Ruthrauff, Carissa Jaquish, assistant coach Charmelle Green, assistant coach Kris Ganef and head coach Deanna Gumpf.



2005 BIG EAST Awards

Player of the Year

Laura Taylor, Sr., 1B, Seton Hall

Pitcher of the Year

Steffany Stenglein, Sr., Notre Dame

Rookie of the Year

Erin Downey, Fr., P, Syracuse

Coaching Staff of the Year

Syracuse

All-BIG EAST Selections

FIRST TEAM

P - Megan Meyer, Seton Hall*
 P - Steffany Stenglein, Notre Dame
 C - Cassie Koenig, Villanova*
 IF - Francesca DiMaria, Pittsburgh
 IF - Sheri Donley, Villanova
 IF - Katie Laing, Notre Dame*
 IF - Laura Taylor, Seton Hall
 OF - Megan Ciolli, Notre Dame
 OF - Tiffany Robinson, Syracuse
 OF - Tanya Rose, Syracuse
 UT - Courtney Mosch, Syracuse
 DP - Cassie Morales, Syracuse

SECOND TEAM

P - Erin Downey, Syracuse
 P - Shannon Williams, Villanova
 IF - Shawna Norris, Syracuse
 IF - Meagan Ruthrauff - Notre Dame
 IF - Helen Smith, Rutgers
 IF - Alexis Switenko, Syracuse
 OF - Stephanie Brown, Notre Dame
 OF - Steph DiBiase, Connecticut
 OF - Caitlin White, Seton Hall
 UT - Ashley Obrest, Boston College
 DP - Carrie Wisen, Notre Dame

THIRD TEAM

Heather Booth, P, Notre Dame
 Jackie Dempsey, 2B, Villanova
 D'arcy Djakalovic, 2B, Seton Hall
 Shannon Garvin, SS, Providence
 Jess Gurney, P, Connecticut
 Kimmy Hopkin, CF, Boston College
 Kari Koller, 1B, Villanova
 Kellie Middleton, LF, Notre Dame
 Megan Oliver, DP, St. John's
 Casey Pickard, 1B, Pittsburgh
 Allina Sainz, 1B, St. John's
 Sara Schoonaert, SS, Notre Dame

* - unanimous selection

2005 BIG EAST Final Standings

Pl.	Team	W	L	T	PCT.	W	L	T	PCT.
1.	Notre Dame	16	2	0	.889	46	15	0	.754
2.	Seton Hall	15	3	0	.833	33	13	0	.717
3.	Syracuse	11	7	0	.611	28	22	0	.560
4.	Villanova	10	8	0	.556	38	25	0	.603
5.	Pittsburgh	8	8	0	.500	23	29	0	.442
6.	Connecticut	8	10	0	.444	20	25	0	.444
7.	Boston College	6	10	0	.375	20	25	0	.444
8.	St. John's	6	10	0	.375	20	30	1	.402
9.	Providence	5	13	0	.278	33	20	0	.627
10.	Rutgers	1	15	0	.063	5	43	0	.143

**2005 BIG EAST Championship
 South Bend, Ind. - Belleville Complex - May 12-14**

Thursday, May 12

Game one:
 No. 2 Seton Hall 3, No. 3 Syracuse 2
Game two:
 No. 1 Notre Dame 3, No. 4 Villanova 0

Friday, May 13

Game three:
 Seton Hall 2, Notre Dame 1
Game four:
 Syracuse 5, Villanova 1
Game five:
 Notre Dame 4, Syracuse 1

Saturday, May 14

Game six:
 Seton Hall 2, Notre Dame 1 (11)

2005 Notre Dame BIG EAST Weekly Award Winners

March 14 - Kellie Middleton, Player of the Week
 March 14 - Heather Booth, Pitcher of the Week
 March 21 - Liz Hartmann, Player of the Week
 April 5 - Heather Booth, Pitcher of the Week
 April 18 - Steffany Stenglein, Pitcher of the Week
 April 25 - Steffany Stenglein, Pitcher of the Week
 May 2 - Kellie Middleton, Player of the Week
 May 9 - Meagan Ruthrauff, Player of the Week



Ivy Field played host to NCAA regional action for the first time in 2005 when Notre Dame welcomed Louisville, Northwestern and Albany (N.Y.) to campus. The Irish finished 2-2 in the three-day tournament.



AS A SENIOR: 2005 Team Captain ... repeated her '04 All-America honors with a stellar final season ... earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors for the fourth time in her career this season, joining Andrea Loman ('00-'03), Jenny Kriech ('99-'02) and Jennifer Sharron ('98-'01) as the only Irish players to accomplish that feat ... was named to the first team for the *ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District* selections ... boasts a 3.213 grade point average and graduated with a degree in management consulting ... became the all-time leader in stolen bases in 2005, breacking former teammate Andrea Loman's record ... set the school mark for hits in a career against Boston College on April 29, ending her career with 284 base knocks ... also set the school single-season record for stolen bases, posting 33 steals in 2005 ... ended up with 76 career stolen bases ... her .368 career batting average ranks second all-time at Notre Dame ... batted third in '04 after hitting leadoff in '03 and second in '02 ... continued her career as a member of the NPF Chicago Bandits in the summer of 2005 ... will serve as a graduate assistant coach at Loyola Chicago for the 2006 collegiate softball season.

AS A JUNIOR: Adjusted to a move down in the lineup, batting third for most of the season ... responded with career highs in hits (81) and doubles (12) ... became the sixth straight Notre Dame player to earn the BIG EAST Player of the Year award ... followed up by earning NFCA third-team All-America honors ... also earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors for the third straight season ... compiled a stellar offensive statistical season, appearing all over the single-season record book including sixth in games played (67), fifth in at-bats (204), fifth in batting average (.397), seventh in runs scored (44), tied for third in hits (81) and second in stolen bases (20) ... greatly increased her aggressiveness on the basepaths swiping almost twice as many bases (20) in 2004 as her first two years combined (23) ... posted 22 multi-hit games and seven multi-RBI contests ... ended with seven game-winning RBI and crossed the plate with the game-winning run six times ... compiled a 10-game hit streak from 4-24-04 through 5-02-04.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Moved to the lead-off spot in the Irish lineup and responded with 64 hits, a .356 average and



#21 Megan Ciolli

5-9 • Outfield

Terre Haute, IN
North Vigo H.S.

2005 Team Captain

39 runs scored ... earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors for the second straight season ... also earned NFCA All-Mideast Region honors for the second consecutive year ... matched her home run output from her rookie season with four round

trippers in '03 ... fourth on the team with 12 stolen bases ... posted 17 multi-hit games and three multi-RBI performances ... had five game-winning RBI and scored the game-winning run in four contests.

AS A FRESHMAN: Had an immediate impact as a rookie in 2002, tying for the team lead in hits (67) while leading the squad in triples (5) and fielding percentage (1.000) ... earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors, BIG EAST all-rookie-team honors and first-team NFCA all-Mideast Region accolades ... quickly made her presence known as both a power and average hitter, cranking three home runs in the first month of the season and peaking at a .400 batting average on Feb. 23 ... led the team in sacrifice hits with 15, including 12 sacrifice bunts ... provided two dramatic moments at the plate, as her bases-loaded triple accounted for all three runs in Notre Dame's come-from-behind victory over #18 DePaul ... also hit the game-winning home run to eliminate Syracuse 5-4 in the BIG EAST Championship ... hit in the second spot of the lineup for much of the season ... led the team with 22 multiple-hit games and posted five multiple-RBI contests.

PREP AND PERSONAL: Three-sport

HONORS & AWARDS

National

NFCA All-American (Third Team), 2004, 2005
NFCA All-Mideast Region (First Team), 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
USA Softball National Player of the Year Initial Watch List, 2004
ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District, 2005

BIG EAST Conference

Player of the Year, 2004
First-Team All-Conference, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
Player of the Week (4-19-04)

standout at North Vigo High School in Terre Haute, Ind. ... named Indiana Miss Softball in 2001 ... also was named the 2001 Indiana Gatorade Player of the Year ... key member of club team Casey Chaos (Ill.), which was ranked as high as ninth in the nation during the 1999 season ... earned four

consecutive MVP awards on the North Vigo team (1998-2001) ... was also the North Vigo 2000 girls' soccer team MVP ... two-time all-state selection in softball (2000 and 2001) ... boasted hitting streaks of 35 and 37 games during the 2000 softball season, eventually posting a .596 batting average ... led the state of Indiana in home runs for the 1999 season ... named the Central Illinois Girls Softball Association MVP by the American Softball Association in 1999 ... member of the 2000 Illinois ASA state championship team with Casey Chaos ... also won two letters in basketball and three in soccer ... active in many extracurricular activities, including the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Student Council and Habitat for Humanity ... grandfather Frank was a member of the 1945 Indiana University national championship football team, the only IU gridiron squad to finish the season undefeated ... born May 13, 1983, in Terre Haute, Ind. ... graduated in May of 2005 with a degree in management consulting from the Mendoza College of Business.

CIOLLI'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB%	SLUG%	Avg.	PO-A-E-%
2002	61-61	194	44	67	5	5	4	24	6	7	21	3/12	11-15	.381	.485	.345	58-9-0-1.000
2003	53-52	180	39	64	9	2	4	24	6	8	13	1/2	12-14	.400	.494	.356	63-3-5-.930
2004	67-67	204	36	81	12	0	2	23	10	4	18	0/9	20-24	.436	.485	.397	74-5-5-.940
2005	61-61	193	42	72	11	2	3	30	10	4	16	1/6	33-39	.413	.497	.373	58-0-1-.983
TOTAL	242-241	771	161	284	37	9	13	101	32	23	68	5/29	76-92	.408	.490	.368	253-17-11-.961





#8 Liz Hartmann

5-9 • Infield/Outfield

Novato, CA
San Marin H.S.

AS A SENIOR:

Four-year every-day starter for the Irish during her career ... streaky hitter capable of putting together monster RBI games ... hit two home runs in a single game three times in her career ... possessed a flair for the dramatic home run as well, smashing

four game-winning home runs in the sixth-inning or later during her career ... became the eighth Notre Dame player to drive in 100 runs in a career with her RBI vs. Nevada ... one of the toughest players to don an Irish uniform ... fought through a variety of injuries to establish herself as one of the top sluggers in school history ... belted 24 career home runs (fourth on the all-time list).

AS A JUNIOR: Enjoyed a career season and was named the team's Monogram Club MVP ... hit .268 with 12 doubles and eight home runs ... also drove in 31 runs and posted a .454 slugging percentage ... had 12 multi-hit games and eight multi-RBI contests ... hit two home runs in a come-from-behind 6-4 victory against #8 Nebraska at the UNLV Classic, joining Jarrah Myers as the only Notre Dame players to hit two home runs in a single game three times ... hit a two-run homer to cut the Husker lead to 4-2, then hit another two-run shot in the top of the seventh to provide the game-winning runs ... the home run against Nebraska was the second game-winner she hit against the Huskers, after her three-run homer pushed Notre Dame to a 3-2 victory at #4 Nebraska in '02.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Continued to develop into one of the top power hitters on

HONORS & AWARDS

National

ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District
Selection Second Team, 2005
Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team, 2005

BIG EAST Conference

First-Team All-Conference, 2004
BIG EAST Player of the Week, March 21, 2005

University

Monogram Club Team MVP, 2004

the team ... penchant for dramatic home runs continued, hitting memorable shots to defeat Louisiana-Lafayette and Michigan in the NCAA Reigon VII tournament ... fourth on the team in RBI with 29 ... posted 37 hits, 16 home runs and 25 runs in

2003 ... tied the school record for home runs for the second time in her career, smashing two round trippers in Notre Dame's come-from-behind victory at Louisiana-Lafayette ... slammed a three-run home run in the third inning of Notre Dame's elimination game vs. Michigan in the NCAA Region VII tournament.

AS A FRESHMAN: Enjoyed a solid rookie campaign, hitting a Notre Dame freshman-record seven home runs during the 2002 season ... played most of the year with a painful leg injury, but battled through to raise her average to .276 on May 5 ... notched her first career hit in what would end up as one of her top games of the season, going three for four with two RBI and a double vs. New Mexico State ... responsible for one of the most-memorable moments in Notre Dame softball history, smacking the game-winning home run at #4 Nebraska in the top of the seventh inning ... that home run was the first of her career and highlighted a stretch where she hit six home runs in seven games ... evolved into one of the top clutch hitters on the team, hitting .419 with runners in scoring position ... provided four game-winning

hits during the '02 season ... second on the team with 12 multiple-RBI games and had seven multiple-hit games.

PREP AND PERSONAL:

Three-sport standout at San Marin High School in Novato, Calif. ... earned all-conference honors in softball, volleyball and basketball during her senior year ... also served as team captain in all three sports ... helped the softball team win the Marin County Athletic League title in 2001 ... named softball team MVP in 1999, 2000 and 2001 ... led the league in batting average with a .524 mark in 1999 ... continued her stellar hitting in 2001, leading the league again, going 21 for 42 (.500) ... member of student government and the California Scholarship Federation ... born Jan. 8, 1983, in San Francisco, Calif. ... graduated in May of 2005 with a degree in marketing from the Mendoza College of Business.



HARTMANN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB%	SLUG%	Avg.	PO-A-E-%
2002	57-57	141	15	33	2	0	7	37	10	1	34	3/6	3-3	.284	.397	.234	82-3-3-.966
2003	54-52	157	25	37	5	0	9	29	6	3	25	1/5	2-4	.275	.439	.236	46-5-2-.962
2004	67-67	194	20	52	12	0	8	31	12	2	26	4/6	0-0	.311	.454	.268	64-105-9-.949
2005	59-59	160	7	39	9	1	3	34	14	1	23	5/7	0-0	.300	.369	.244	49-82-8-.942
TOTAL	237-235	652	67	161	28	1	27	131	42	7	108	13/24	5-7	.294	.417	.247	241-195-22-.925



AS A SENIOR: Veteran starting pitcher capped her career with another outstanding season ... became the third pitcher in school history to post 500 strikeouts, reaching that barrier with 11 Ks vs. Utah ... quickly blew past the 600- and 700-strikeout barrier as well (also the third Irish pitcher to achieve their marks) ... averaged 11.1 Ks per seven innings in 2005 ... has become Notre Dame's all-time leader in appearances and games started ... finished second on the all-time wins, strikeouts and innings pitched lists ... joins Terri Kobata (three times) and Jennifer Sharron (twice) as only ND pitcher to throw 200

strikeouts in multiple seasons ... posted 216 strikeouts in 2002 and 310 in 2005 ... joined Terri Kobata as the only Irish pitcher to reach 250 strikeouts in a single season ... set the school record for strikeouts in a single game vs. Seton Hall (game one), striking out 19 in a complete-game nine-inning three-hitter ... failed to post six or more strikeouts in only four starting appearances (vs. Tennessee, game one vs. Western Michigan, at Purdue, vs. Seton Hall in

BIG EAST Championship - game three) ... posted double-digit strikeouts 15 times this season ... ended up with five complete-game one-hitters in 2005 (at Villanova, at Providence, vs. St. John's, vs. Boston College, vs. Villanova in the BIG EAST Championship)

AS A JUNIOR: Bounced back from a disappointing season in '03 with a career year in '04, earning the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year award after leading the conference in ERA and also nabbing second-team all-region honors ... became just the second Irish pitcher to earn the conference pitcher-of-the-year award (Jennifer Sharron won four straight from 1998-2001) ... compiled a nine-game pitching win streak (4-6-04 to 5-8-04) ... surpassed her win, innings pitched, strikeout and complete-game totals from her solid freshman season ... reached a career-high with 21 complete games ... ended ninth on the single-season strike-



#1 Steffany Stenglein

5-10 • Pitcher

Huntington Beach, CA
Marina H.S.

HONORS & AWARDS

National

NFCA All-Mideast Region Second Team, 2004
All-Region VII Team, 2002

BIG EAST Conference

Pitcher of the Year, 2004, 2005
First-Team All-Conference, 2002, 2004, 2005
Pitcher of the Week, April 25, 2005
Pitcher of the Week, April 18, 2005
Pitcher of the Week, April 26, 2004
Pitcher of the Week, April 5, 2004
Pitcher of the Week, March 29, 2004
Pitcher of the Week, April 15, 2002
Pitcher of the Week, March 22, 2002
All-Rookie Team, 2002

out list with 187 ... named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on three different occasions ... struck out 10 or more batters three times (10 vs. UNLV, 11 vs. Eastern Michigan, 14 vs. Valparaiso) and posted eight or more nine times ... named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on March 29 after going 2-0 with a 0.00 ERA and 22 strikeouts in 13 innings ... repeated as conference pitcher of the week on April 5 after nabbing two league victories vs. Connecticut and Syracuse ... earned third

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week award on April 26 after going 3-0 during the week with two conference wins and striking out 24 batters in 20 innings.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Worked through recovery from off-season surgery during the 2003 season ... struggled at times during the year, but also showed flashes of dominance seen in her rookie season ... ended up 10-4 with a 3.76 ERA ... played a key role in the last weekend of the regular season, picking up victories over Villanova and Rutgers to secure the #1 seed in the BIG EAST Championship ... recovered from a 3-4 start to win her last seven decisions.

AS A FRESHMAN: Turned in one of the top freshman pitching seasons in Notre Dame history in 2002 ... set school records for appearances (54), innings pitched (250.2) and games started (47) ... also tied the season mark for wins with 27 ... showed incredible strength, pitching much of the

season with a painful leg injury ... struggled to begin the season, but came on strong at the end to earn all-region-team honors at the NCAA Region VII tournament in Iowa City, Iowa ... also earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors ... claimed a spot on the BIG EAST all-rookie team, as well ... two-time BIG EAST pitcher of the week (April 15, April 22) ... combined with classmate Carrie Wisen for her first career no-hitter against Valparaiso (3.0 IP, 5 K, 1 BB) ... took home first career perfect game against Virginia Tech in game one, going 5.0 innings and striking out six ... ended up 4-1 against the Hokies in 2002, including two gutsy performances during the BIG EAST Championship, throwing 10.2 innings over two games in one day to help the Irish land the tournament title ... had a memorable performance at #4 Nebraska, throwing a complete-game five-hitter, giving up two runs and striking out five ... came through in the NCAA Region VII tournament in an elimination game with #15 Oregon State, pitching all seven innings and giving up just two hits.

PREP AND PERSONAL: Standout pitcher at Marina High School in Huntington Beach, Calif. ... ranked third in strikeouts in the country for the 2000 season ... led the team in RBI in 1997 and 2000 ... a three-time all-conference selection ... participated in the North-South All-Star game and the National/American All-Star game in 2000 ... served as team captain and earned the team MVP award in her senior season ... played first base when she was not pitching ... hit a walk-off home run in the bottom of the ninth to win a league playoff game for her team in 2000 ... initially signed a national letter of intent to enroll at Southern Mississippi, but decided to sit out a year and attend Notre Dame ... uncle, Walt Ransom, played football for USC ... born Aug. 5, 1982, in Fountain Valley, Calif. ... graduated in May of 2005 with a degree in marketing from the Mendoza College of Business.

STENGLEIN'S CAREER PITCHING STATISTICS

Year	APP-GS-CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	SO7	WP	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA
2002	54-47-13	250.2	181	76	69	86	216	6.04	14	0	.199	17	27-12	0	1.93
2003	26-21-3	106.0	93	69	57	52	77	5.08	5	0	.235	20	10-4	0	3.76
2004	33-33-22	191.2	120	44	38	75	187	6.84	7	0	.182	11	21-10	0	1.39
2005	41-31-16	195.2	93	42	30	69	310	11.12	6	1	.141	11	21-7	2	1.07
TOTALS	154-132-54	744.0	487	231	194	282	790	7.43	32	1	.185	59	79-33	2	1.83

CAREER OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

Year	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB%	SLUG%	Avg.	PO-A-E-%
2002	55-49	11	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0/0	0-0	.091	.091	.091	11-39-1-.980
2003	26-21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0-0	.000	.000	.000	4-23-0-1.000
2004	35-34	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0/0	0-0	.125	.125	.125	5-29-3-.974
2005	41-31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0-0	.000	.000	.000	3-21-2-.923
TOTALS	157-135	19	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0/0	0-0	.105	.105	.105	23-112-5-.964





#4 Carrie Wisen

5-7 • Pitcher/
Designated Player

Fullerton, CA
Sonora H.S.



her second and third career saves ... showed some pop in her bat, putting up 13 RBI and 16 hits in 87 plate appearances ... hit two home runs (at Seton Hall, at Providence) during the season ... was one for two with three RBI and a sacrifice fly against Rutgers ... ended up with four multiple-hit games in '02 and compiled a six-game hit streak from March 14 - 20.

PREP AND PERSONAL: Standout pitcher at Sonora High School in Lahabra, Calif. ... earned all-Freeway League

honors in all four years of high-school competition ... named 2001 MVP of the Freeway League and Pitcher of the Year in 2000 ... as a senior, posted a 0.69 ERA, 19-8 record with 206 strikeouts ... two-time Orange County Athletic Directors Association MVP ('00-'01) ... starting pitcher for both the North vs. South Orange County All-Star Game and the Orange County Coaches All-Star Classic ... set the school records for most wins (19) and strikeouts (206) in a season ... named to the *L.A. Times* all-country softball team in 2001 ... member of the 10-and-under Batbusters National Championship team ... member of the California Girls Athletic Association and served as her high school softball team representative ... also representative from Sonora for "Women in Sports" Conference ... graduated in May of 2005 with a sociology degree from the College of Arts and Letters.



AS A SENIOR: Developed into Notre Dame's top option at designated hitter during her final season ... injuries curtailed her pitching effectiveness ... ended her career perfect on defense ... combined with teammate Heather Booth for a perfect game/no-hitter in game two vs. Valparaiso, finishing off the final three innings, striking out three ... posted a walk-off double in the bottom of the seventh vs. Western Michigan, driving in two runs to end Notre Dame's 2-1 victory ... made her first pitching appearance of the year vs. Utah.

AS A JUNIOR: Battled a series of injuries during the 2004 season, which limited her effectiveness ... made 16 pitching appearances, going 3-1 with a 2.83 ERA ... her lone save of the season was crucial, as she finished off Notre Dame's 2-0 victory at #18 Nebraska, allowing one hit and striking out two in 1.2 innings ... used as the designated player in nine games ... made two starts at first base when Meagan Ruthrauff shifted to third due to an injury.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Continued to be a dependable bullpen force and spot starter ... led the team in ERA (1.67) and posted a 7-3 record ... perfect on defense during her first two seasons with the Irish ... claimed victories over Pittsburgh, St. John's, Syracuse (twice), Valparaiso, Illinois Chicago and Connecticut ... best individual performance came against Syracuse in game two of the doubleheader, pitching 4.2 scoreless innings with one hit and three strikeouts ... picked up her first save of the season in game one at

Western Michigan ... saved the final game of the St. John's doubleheader ... ended up throwing 67.0 innings, striking out 38 and taking part in three combined shutouts ... had six hits in 26 at-bats as both a pinch hitter and designated player ... made five starts as the DP.

AS A FRESH-MAN: Due to graduation and a transfer from the 2001 team, was thrust into a starting role in her rookie season ... responded with a solid freshman campaign, earning BIG EAST all-rookie team honors and appearing in 44 games ... her 44 pitching appearances in '02 were second on the all-time season list (at that time) behind classmate Steffany Stenglein's 54 ... ended up perfect in all 56 defensive chances during the season ... combined with classmate Steffany Stenglein for a no-hitter against Valparaiso on April 9 (4.0 IP, 5 K, 1 BB) ... saved both games against Virginia Tech during the final day of the 2002 BIG EAST Championship, pitching 3 1/3 scoreless innings (1.2 in each game) for

WISEN'S CAREER PITCHING STATISTICS

Year	APP-GS-CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	SO7	WP	BK	AVG	HR	W-L	SV	ERA
2002	44-14-6	140.0	110	53	40	55	116	5.8	11	0	.210	6	17-5	3	2.00
2003	29-4-0	67.0	55	17	16	32	38	3.97	8	0	.225	5	7-3	2	1.67
2004	16-0-0	29.2	26	17	12	16	25	6.0	4	0	.232	1	3-1	1	2.83
2005	5-0-0	9.2	7	4	4	6	8	6.1	2	0	.200	2	1-0	0	2.90
TOTALS	94-18-6	246.1	198	91	72	109	187	5.32	25	0	.216	14	28-9	6	2.05

CAREER OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

Year	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB%	SLUG%	Avg.	PO-A-E-%
2002	54-42	87	7	16	5	0	2	13	5	0	19	2/0	0-0	.223	.310	.184	3-53-0-1.000
2003	38-8	23	2	6	1	0	1	3	0	0	4	0/1	0-0	.261	.435	.261	1-26-0-1.000
2004	29-10	36	2	8	2	0	0	4	1	0	8	0/2	0-0	.243	.278	.222	12-10-0-1.000
2005	55-42	126	1	36	7	0	1	22	2	1	17	1/2	1-1	.300	.365	.286	1-4-0-1.000
TOTALS	176-102	272	12	66	15	0	4	42	8	1	48	3/5	1-1	.264	.342	.243	17-93-0-1.000



AS A SENIOR: Excellent baserunner was be the first option off the bench in the outfield ... started in right field against Arizona State and #5/6 Tennessee ... posted her first hit of the season, a two-run home run, in the first inning of game two vs. Valparaiso ... her first hit in 2004 (and first as a player for the Irish) was also a two-run home run vs. CS Fullerton in the

NFCA Leadoff Classic ... scored the winning run on a double by Carrie Wisen in the bottom of the seventh in a 2-1 victory over Western Michigan.

AS A JUNIOR: Appeared in 67 games, making 60 starts ... became Notre Dame's every-day rightfielder when projected starter Kellie Middleton was sidelined for the season after just eight games ... immediately paid dividends for the Irish at the NFCA Leadoff Classic, putting up six hits in her first six starts ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week on April 12 after piling up six hits, four RBI and two triples vs. Syracuse and Purdue ... posted 10 multi-hit games and two multi-RBI performances ... scored the game-winning run five times and drove in the game-winning run vs. Boston College (game two) and at UIC ... 16 of her



#20 Nicole Wicks

5-5 • Outfielder

Renton, WA
Hazen H.S.

36 hits went for extra bases (10 doubles, three triples, three home runs) ... became the eighth player to tie the school record for triples in a single game, hitting two in game two vs. Syracuse.

AS A SOPHOMORE: Appeared and started in 34 contests for Washington in 2002 ... posted 15 hits in 69 at bats (.217) ... provided two home runs and eight RBI ... also stole four bases in six attempts.

AS A FRESHMAN: One of Washington's primary pinch runners during the 2001 season ... saw playing time in 19 games, scoring six runs ... started twice at designated player, but did not record any at-bats ... made

first collegiate appearance in the team's season opener against Louisiana State, scoring a run ... played in the field at shortstop in the team's 11-0 win over Texas on March 10 ... first collegiate at-bat was against Oregon on May 5 ... made good on her first career postseason appearance versus Oklahoma on May 19, avoiding the tag at the plate and scoring a run to give the team a 2-0 lead.

PREP AND PERSONAL: A four-year letterwinner at Hazen High School ... named the Seamount League most valuable player as a junior and senior, earning first-team all-conference honors both years ... an honorable mention all-league pick as a freshman and sophomore ... helped Hazen to a pair of league titles as well as a seventh-place finish her senior season at the state tournament ... a three-sport athlete at Hazen who also earned four letters in soccer and three in basketball ... first team all-league as a junior and senior in soccer ... played summer ball most recently for the Kitsap County Braves, placing 25th at the 2000 American Fastpitch Association (AFA) Nationals in Texas ... also played from 1996-99 with the Southend Rebel ... daughter of Debbie and Rodger Wicks ... born March 26, 1982, in Seattle, Wash. ... graduated in May of 2005 with a film, television and theatre degree from the Collge of Arts and Letters.

WICKS' CAREER STATISTICS (AT WASHINGTON)

Year	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB-SBA	OB%	SLUG%	Avg.	PO-A-E-%
2001	19-2	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0-3	.000	.000	.000	0-0-0-1.000
2002	34-34	69	9	15	2	1	2	8	10	0	23	1/0	4-6	.313	.362	.217	5-1-0-1.000
TOTALS	53-36	70	15	15	2	1	2	8	19	0	23	1/0	4-9	.260	.357	.214	5-1-0-1.000

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2004	67-60	157	30	36	10	3	3	14	13	1	46	1/3	12-15	.291	.389	.229	49-4-1-.981
2005	49-5	15	18	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	4	0/1	10-15	.125	.267	.067	2-0-0-1.000
TOTALS	116-65	172	48	37	10	3	4	16	14	1	50	1/4	22-30	.277	.378	.215	51-4-1-.982

