

2006 Schedule (33-14)

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17	!vs. Colorado State	L, 4-5
17	!vs. BYU	W, 8-3
18	!vs. #14/12 Oregon State	L, 0-5
	!at UNLV	W, 6-4
	!vs. CS Fullerton	L, 3-9
	\$vs. Buffalo	W, 1-0
	\$at Florida International	
	\$vs. Memphis	W, 4-1
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3	&vs. #17/17 Nebraska	L, 2-5 (8)
3		L, 1-2
4		W, 10-1 (5)
4		W, 5-2
5		L, 1-2 (8)
	at Cal Poly SLO	W, 3-1, W, 1-0
	+at CS Fullerton	L, 2-3 (8)
	+vs. #10/10 Arizona State	W, 3-2
	+vs. Florida State	W, 1-0
	+#4/4 Texas	L, 5-6
	+#6/7 Alabama	L, 3-4
	at Western Michigan	W,5-0, W,2-1 (8
29		W, 1-0 (11)
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1	*Connecticut	W, 9-0 (6), W, 2-1 (8
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4 5	*Providence Eastern Michigan Akron	W, 4-1, W, 8-0 W, 2-0, W, 1-0 L, 2-4
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Conference game. ! - UNLV Desert Classic, \$ - FIU Invitational. & - Tulsa Invitational. + - Iudi Garman Classic

2006 Notre Dame Softball

10 Consecutive BIG EAST Regular-Season Titles • Seven Consecutive NCAA Appearances

Notre Dame at USF, Saturday, 10:30 a.m. (DH) ESPNU (Game One) Notre Dame at #21/22 Louisville, Sunday, 12 noon (DH)

Biggest BIG EAST weekend of the year lies ahead for the Irish -

The University of Notre Dame softball team (33-14) will face its most important weekend of the regular season when it goes on the road to face new BIG EAST Conference opponents USF (41-20, 11-1) and #21/22 Louisville (31-8, 9-3) in backto-back doubleheaders in less than 24 hours.

The Irish, Bulls and Cardinals are all battling for the BIG EAST regular-season crown, a title that Notre Dame has claimed each of its 10 years in the conference. DePaul, USF and Louisville are all in their first year of softball competition in the BIG EAST this season.

Notre Dame, USF and Syracuse have already locked up a spot in the 2006 BIG EAST Championship, which will be played Thursday, May 11 - Saturday, May 13 at the Belleville Softball Complex in South Bend, Ind.

Notre Dame to make its second appearance on ESPNU -

Notre Dame's first contest at USF, rescheduled for a 10:30 a.m. start due to weekend travel commitments, will be broadcast live on ESPNU. Tracy Warren will be the game's play-by-play announcer, while Cindy Bristow will serve as the analyst and Meg Aronowitz as the producer.

Saturday will mark Notre Dame's second appearance on ESPNU this season and fourth television game of the year. The Irish defeated DePaul 5-0 on ESPNU at Ivy Field back on April 13, the first game of a doubleheader sweep over the Blue Demons.

Irish ALERT continues this weekend -

A joint effort between Centennial Wireless, Notre Dame Sports Properties and the Notre Dame Sports Information Office has made up-to-the-minute text messaging a reality this season. Notre Dame announced the Irish ALERT system, which will cover baseball, softball, men's lacrosse and women's lacrosse this spring for a free trial.

Simply sign up for the service at www.und.com and your mobile device will receive score updates from each of the four sports throughout the 2006 season. The service also will provide periodical updates providing team schedules and special alerts when content is uploaded on www.und.com.

For softball, updates are sent when a schedule change pops up (delayed games, added games) and in the first, third, fifth and seventh innings of each Irish game.

Irish rule the month of April -

Since *Deanna Gumpf* took over the Irish softball program in 2002 - the team has been close to unbeatable in the month of April. Entering this weekend's double-headers, the Irish are 103-15 (.872) in April over the last five years.

Here is a breakdown of Notre Dame's record during April since 2002.

2002: 24-1 2003: 21-2 2004: 19-5 2005: 20-3 2006: 19-4

Notre Dame has won 22 of last 26 games -

After battling through a six-game stretch of one-run games with a 3-3 record from March 15-19 (at the Judi Garman Classic), Notre Dame has won 22 of its last 26 games , compiling winning streaks of nine games and six games (twice) over that stretch.

2006 University of N	Notre Dame S	Softball Numer	ical Roster
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No.		Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Hometown	High School
1	*	Katie Laing	So.	2B/SS	5-4	R/R	Chandler, AZ	Corona del Sol
2	*	Brittany Glynn	So.	OF	5-3	R/R	Seymour, CT	St. Joseph
5	**	Kenya Fuemmeler	Jr.	P/UT	5-7	R/R	Salisbury, MO	Salisbury
8		Brittney Bargar	Fr.	P	5-9	R/R	Corona, CA	Corona
11	**	Gessica Hufnagle	Jr.	C/OF	5-6	R/R	Middlebury, IN	Northridge
12		Erin Glasco	Fr.	С	5-7	L/R	Johnson City, IL	Johnston City
14		Beth Northway	Fr.	INF/OF	5-7	R/R	Kentwood, MI	East Kentwood
16	***	Mallorie Lenn (c)	Sr.	C/1B	5-8	R/R	Garden Grove, CA	Pacifica
17		Alexandra Kotcheff	Fr.	OF	5-8	L/R	Los Angeles, CA	The Marlborough School
18		Christine Farrell	Fr.	P	5-8	R/R	La Habra, CA	Sonora
21		Linda Kohan	Fr.	INF	5-6	R/R	Westminster, CA	Westminster
22	***	Sara Schoonaert (c)	Sr.	SS/2B	5-3	R/R	Houston, TX	Clear Lake
23		Stephanie Mola	Fr.	OF	5-5	L/L	Naples, FL	St. John Neumann
24	**	Stephanie Brown	Jr.	OF	5-6	R/R	Chandler, AZ	Corona del Sol
27	**	Carissa Jaquish	Jr.	C/UT	5-6	R/R	Highland, CA	Redlands East Valley
32	***	Heather Booth (c)	Sr.	P	5-10	R/R	Riverside, CA	Martin Luther King
34	*	Sarah Smith	So.	OF	5-7	L/R	Oklahoma City, OK	Heritage Hall
77	***	Meagan Ruthrauff (c) Sr.	1B	5-10	R/R	La Mirada, CA	La Serna

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '92, fifth season, 210-83)

Assistant Coaches: Kris Ganeff (Notre Dame '99), Lizzy Lemire (Notre Dame '01)

Valparaiso recap -

Notre Dame rallied from an early 2-1 deficit to defeat Valparaiso 6-2 on Thursday, April 27 ... the Irish offense was led by two for four performances by senior *Meagan Ruthrauff* and sophomore *Katie Laing* ... Laing doubled in her first two at bats in the contest, giving her a team-high 14 doubles this season ... junior *Gessica Hufnagle* hit her first career home run in the contest as well ... while not overpowering, senior *Heather Booth* picked up her 18th win of the year by allowing four hits, two runs (one earned) and striking out three.

Mallorie Lenn, Brittney Bargar land on BIG EAST weekly honor roll -

Senior *Mallorie Lenn*, who began her week with a three for four performance vs. #17/17 Northwestern, joined freshman *Brittney Bargar* on the BIG EAST weekly honor roll on Monday, April 23 ... Lenn finished the week with a .474 average with seven RBI, two doubles and a home run ... Bargar ended up 3-0 on the week with a 1.05 ERA and 17 Ks in 20.0 IP.

ND series history vs. USF -

Notre Dame and USF are set to meet for the 10th and 11th time on Saturday ... South Florida leads the all-time series 5-4, and along with fellow BIG EAST newcomer DePaul, is the only conference team to boast a winning record against the Irish ... the teams split a doubleheader at the GRU Classic, hosted by the University of Florida last season ... Notre Dame lost the first matchuup 5-0, but rallied to knock off #21 USF 4-2 in game two and eventually claim the tournament title with victory over Florida ... Notre Dame has not visited USF since 2003 - when the Bulls snuck out a 5-4 victory over the Irish ... of all Notre Dame early-season tournament destinations, USF has been the most visited by the team ... Notre Dame has appeared at USF seven times for tournament action (1993, '94, '96, '99, 2001 and '03) ... Notre Dame won the 2001 Holiday Inn Invitational at USF, including a 2-0 victory over the sixth-ranked Bulls ... Notre Dame is 3-2 against USF at the USF Softball Field.

Notre Dame Sports Information

Publicity for Notre Dame softball is coordinated by Assistant Sports Information Director Alan Wasielewski.

Photographs, statistics and feature ideas are available by contacting Wasielewski at (574) 631-7516 or via email at Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

Requests to interview student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance. C redentials 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.

If you wish to be added to the Notre Dame softball weekly release distribution list, please send an e-mail to: Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

^{* –} denotes monograms earned; (c) - denotes team captains

2006 USA Today/NFCA Top 25

April 26, 2006

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	<u>c Team</u>	Record		Pvs.
1.	UCLA (27)	36-4	747	1
2.	Texas (2)	45-5	704	2
3.	Arizona	34-8	685	3
4.	Tennessee (1)	47-6	665	4
5.	Alabama	40-7	640	5
6.	Stanford	33-10	579	6
7.	California	38-8	564	7
8.	Oregon State	33-7	531	9
9.	Georgia	46-11	506	8
10.	Arizona State	41-7	503	10
11.	LSU	44-7	449	11
12.	Michigan	31-12	406	12
	LaLafayette	39-8	380	13
14.	Northwestern	33-10	333	16
15.	Texas A&M	32-13	324	15
16.	Washington	29-15	270	14
17.	Nebraska	35-8	267	17
18.	Baylor	33-17	253	19
19.	Auburn	31-13	217	18
20.	N. Carolina	46-13	179	20
21.	Louisville	30-8	158	21
22.	Fresno State	31-13	116	23
23.	Oklahoma	29-18	81	22
24.	Florida	36-19	68	24
25.	S. Illinois	33-9	20	25

Others receiving votes:

USF (19), NC State (14), Georgia Tech (13), CS Fullerton (11), NOTRE DAME (11), Missouri State (11), Kansas 7. Six others received votes but appeared on only one ballot.

bold indicates 2006 opponents

Notre Dame in the USA Today/NFCA Top 25

Preseason: ORV (30th) Feb. 14: ORV (39th) Feb. 21: not ranked March 1: not ranked March 15: not ranked March 22: not ranked March 29: ORV (34th) April 5: ORV (t-31st) April 12: ORV (30th) April 19: ORV (28th)

April 26: ORV (t-29th)

USF preview -

South Florida is currently in second place in the BIG EAST Conference standings with a 11-1 league mark ... USF is 41-20 in 2006 and has played a whopping 36 games at home this season (26-10) ... senior 3B/C Krista Holle leads the team's offensive attack with a .366 average (.438 in league play) with 12 stolen bases and 26 RBI ... senior OF Tiffany Stewart provides the power in the lineup with 8 HR, 39 RBI and a .303 batting average ... pitching has been the USF team strength this season, as the Bulls boast a 1.32 team ERA ... freshman Christi Ecks (1.02 ERA, 17-11, 173 Ks) and sophomore Bree Spence (1.12 ERA, 19-6, 118 Ks) provide a potent one-two combination for USF.

Louisville series history - Notre Dame an Louisville will be meeting for just the third and fourth time on Sunday ... the series is tied at 1-1, withthe Irish claiming the most recent meeting 3-2 at last season's NCAA Region No. 9 - hosted by Notre Dame ... Notre Dame pitchers struck out 17 batters in the NCAA meeting, as Notre Dame rallied from a 2-1 deficit in the bottom of the sixth inning ... Heather Booth picked up the victory in relief ... the previous meeting in the series was a 4-3 Louisville victory at the Arizona Pepsi Classic in 2002 ... Sunday will mark Notre Dame's first appearance at Ulmer Stadium.

Louisville preview - The Cardinals are 31-8 in 2006, 9-3 in BIG EAST play and ranked #21 in the NFCA Top 25 and #22 in the USA Softball poll ... Lacy Wood is the key hitter in the Cardinals lineup, boasting a .403 batting average with a team-high 33 RBI ... the pitching staff is anchored by reigning BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week Catherine Bishop, who boasts a 0.72 ERA, 20-5 record and has 157 Ks in 155.1 IP.

2006 ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25

April 25, 2006

	Rnl	<u>«Team</u>	Record	<u>l Pts.</u>	<u>Pvs</u>
1	1.	UCLA (17)	36-4	497	1
-	2.	Texas (1)	45-5	471	2
,	3.	Arizona (2)	34-8	466	3
1	4.	Alabama	40-7	436	4
1	5.	Stanford	33-10	391	
	6.	Tennessee	47-6	387	7
1	7.	Arizona State	41-7	382	8
3	8.	California	38-8	380	6
,	9.	Oregon State	33-7	352	9
)	10.	LSU	44-7	317	11
1	11.	Georgia	46-11	313	10
'	12.	LaLafayette	39-8	250	13
′	13.	Michigan	31-12	249	12
)	14.	Northwestern	33-10	229	16
		Washington	29-15	227	
)	16.	Nebraska	35-8	214	
1	17.	Texas A&M	32-13		
-		Baylor	33-17	150	19
-		Auburn	31-13	142	18
-		Fresno State	31-13	101	20
1	21.	N. Carolina	46-13	88	22
)	22.	Louisville	30-8	69	23
L		Oklahoma	29-18	65	21
f	24.	San Diego St.	27-8	32	NR
1	25.	Virginia Tech	33-14	26	NR
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Others receiving votes:

S. Illinois (20), Florida (18), Georgia Tech (8), **DePaul** (7), **CS Fullerton** (5), NC State (5), Oregon (5), Missouri State (2), **USF** (2), Utah (2) and **BYU** (1).

bold indicates 2006 opponents

Notre Dame in the ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25

Preseason: ORV (30th) Feb. 14: ORV (t-32nd) Feb. 21: not ranked Feb. 28: not ranked March 7: not ranked March 14: not ranked March 21: not ranked March 28: not ranked April 4: ORV (t-32nd)

April 11: not ranked April 18: ORV (t-34th) April 25: not ranked

2006 BIG EAST Conference Standings (as of April 17, 2006)										
BIG EAST OVERALL (Final)										
<u>Team</u>	W-L	Pct.	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	W-L-T	Pct.	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>N</u>	ND outcome vs. opponent
*NOTRE DAMI	E 13-1	.929	10-0	3-1	33-14	.702	16-2	10-5	7-7	
*South Florida	11-1	.917	7-1	4-0	41-20	.672	26-10	4-3	11-7	April 29
Louisville	9-3	.750	7-3	2-0	31-8	.795	15-7	10-0	6-1	April 30
*Syracuse	12-6	.667	7-3	5-3	31-19	.620	9-2	12-7	10-10	L, 1-2; W, 7-5 (10)
DePaul	9-5	.643	7-1	2-4	27-15	.643	12-3	4-8	11-4	W, 5-0, W, 3-1
Providence	9-7	.562	5-3	4-4	27-14-1	.655	8-3	5-7-1	13-4	W, 4-1; W, 8-0 (6)
Pittsburgh	8-10	.444	3-5	5-5	27-24	.529	8-6	12-11	7-7	W, 7-0; W, 14-4
St. John's	6-10	.375	1-3	5-7	25-23	.521	9-5	8-12	6-6	May 7
Connecticut	5-9	.333	1-3	4-6	18-25	.419	4-9	8-9	6-7	W, 9-0 (5); W, 2-1 (8)
Seton Hall	6-12	.357	5-1	0-11	27-21	.562	11-2	8-15	9-7	May 6
Rutgers	4-14	.222	3-7	1-7	12-34	.261	6-9	2-10	4-15	W, 8-0 (5); W, 7-0
Villanova	2-16	.111	0-8	2-8	13-33	.283	7-15	4-7	2-8	W, 8-7; W, 8-3
The top eight te	eams q	ualify	for the 20	006 BIG	EAST Cha	ampion	ship in	South E	Bend, Ind	. * - clinched BE Champ. berth

2006 BIG EAST Weekly Awardwinners

Player of the Week

Jo Sherlock, OF, St. John's, Feb. 20
Alexis Switenko, SS/P, Syracuse, Feb. 27
Katie Pierce, SS, Seton Hall, March 6
Tiffany Stewart, OF, South Florida, March 13
Christie Chapman, SS, South Florida, March 20
Elena Romero, UTL, Providence, March 26
Alexis Switenko, SS/P/Syracuse, Apr. 5
Meagan Ruthrauff, 3B, Notre Dame, Apr. 9
Rachel Tilford, OF, Syracuse, Apr. 17
Rachel Bartholomew, C, PC, Apr. 23

Pitcher of the Week

Tracie Adix, DePaul, Feb. 20
Bree Spence, South Florida, Feb. 27
Kady Garrick, Louisville, March 6
Catherine Bishop, Louisville, March 13
Meghan Bostick, Pittsburgh, March 20
Lisa Geer, St. John's, March 26
Brittney Bargar, Notre Dame, Apr. 5

Brittney Bargar, Notre Dame, Apr. 5 Cristi Ecks, USF, Apr. 9

Heather Booth, Notre Dame, Apr. 17 Catherine Bishop, Louisville, Apr. 23

Notre Dame BIG EAST Honor Roll Selections

Linda Kohan, Feb. 20 Heather Booth, Feb. 27 Stephanie Brown, April 5 Stephanie Brown, April 17 Mallorie Lenn, April 23 Brittney Bargar, April 23

Notre Dame in BIG EAST regular-season play -

Notre Dame boasts an 13-1 record in BIG EAST Conference play this season, continuing its tradition of excellence during the league's regular-season play. The Irish have lost four games in conference play only once since it joined the league in 1996 and boast an overall record of 177-20 (.898) entering this weekend's competition. Notre Dame's BIG EAST regular-season records: 1996 - 19-1, 1997 - 16-4, 1998 - 13-3, 1999 - 16-0, 2000 - 14-2, 2001 - 20-0, 2002 - 18-2, 2003 - 14-3, 2004 - 18-2, 2005 - 16-2, 2006 - 13-1.

The Irish have won 10 consecutive BIG EAST regular-season crowns since 1996. **Irish captains** -

Notre Dame will feature four captains this season for just the second time in the program's history. The senior class of *Heather Booth, Mallorie Lenn, Meagan Ruthrauff* and *Sara Schoonaert* will provide leadership both on and off the field for the team in 2006. The only other team to feature four captains was Notre Dame's most successful team ever - the 2001 squad. Current Irish assistant coach *Lizzy Lemire* shared the captaincy that season with Melanie Alkire, Danielle Klayman and Jennifer Sharron. The Irish finished 54-7 in '01 and earned a number-one seed in the NCAA Championship.

Notre Dame softball on the small screen -

The University of Notre Dame softball team will be featured one more time on cable television this season, with a possible additional appearance in the BIG EAST Championship. Notre Dame's first appearance was a single game against Ball State on Tuesday, April 11 shown by Comcast Local. The Irish defeated the Cardinals 5-0.

The first game of a doubleheader vs. DePaul on April 13 was shown live by ESPNU- a game which the Irish won 5-0. The Irish also faced #17/17 Northwestern live on CSTV for a single game on April 18.

ESPNU also will cover Notre Dame's first visit to USF as a conference opponent, picking up the first game of that doubleheader on Saturday, April 29 (10:30 a.m.).

Notre Dame's road game at Louisville will also be televised in the Louisville, Ky., area with ABC affiliate WHAS picking up the broadcast.

Finally, CSTV will broadcast the BIG EAST Championship final game from the Belleville Softball Complex in South Bend, Ind., on May 13 at 6 p.m. The winner of that contest will receive the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship.

Notre Dame Statistical Leaders

as of April 24, 2006

Batting Average
Brown, Stephanie
Ruthrauff, Meagan
Lenn, Mallorie
Runs Scored
Brown, Stephanie34
Ruthrauff, Meagan26
Schoonaert, Sara22
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Brown, Stephanie58
Lenn, Mallorie48
Ruthrauff, Meagan46
Doubles
Laing, Katie14
Kohan, Linda
Lenn, Mallorie
Ruthrauff, Meagan11
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Home Runs Ruthrauff, Meagan10
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Lenn, Mallorie6
Kohan, Linda
Brown, Stephanie5
RBI
Ruthrauff, Meagan35
Lenn, Mallorie33
Laing, Katie24
Stolen Bases
Brown, Stephanie20
Schoonaert, Sara11
Laing, Katie
Walks
Ruthrauff, Meagan26
Brown, Stephanie16
Kohan, Linda16
ERA
Booth, Heather1.33
Fuemmeler, Kenya1.56
Bargar, Brittney2.38
Innings Pitched
Innings Pitched Booth, Heather174.0
Bargar, Brittney132.1
Fuemmeler, Kenya18.0
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Strikeouts Booth, Heather175
Bargar, Brittney141
Fuemmeler, Kenya11
Shutouts
Booth, Heather
Bargar, Brittney4

One-run warriors - Notre Dame has played 18 one-run games this year. The team has posted an even 9-9 record in those 18 games, meaning that nine of the team's 14 losses this season have come by a single run.

Going back to March 3 (an extra-inning three-run loss to Nebraska), the Irish have lost just two gamse by more than one run (as 4-2 setback to Akron on April 5 and 7-4 loss to Purdue on April 26). During the team's trip to Southern California for spring break, the Irish played six consecutive one-run games, going 3-3 during the stretch with a win over #10 Arizona State and losses to #4 Texas (6-5), #6 Alabama (4-3) and at CS Fullerton (3-2 in eight innings).

• Notre Dame's one-run victories -

1-0 vs. Buffalo, 1-0 at Cal Poly SLO (G2), 3-2 vs. #10 Arizona State, 1-0 vs. Florida State, 2-1 at Western Michigan, 1-0 vs. Bowling Green, 1-0 vs. Eastern Michigan, 2-1 vs. Connecticut, 8-7 vs. Villanova.

Notre Dame's one-run losses -

5-4 vs. Colorado State, 5-4 at Florida International, 2-1 at Tulsa, 2-1 vs. Stephen F. Austin (8), 3-2 at CS Fullerton (8), 6-5 vs. #4 Texas, 4-3 vs. #6 Alabama, 2-1 at Syracuse, 3-2 at #17/17 Northwestern.

Notre Dame takes some of the nation's top teams to the brink -

Just a quick glance at the nation's top 25 teams (as of April 12) will provide the true nature of Notre Dame's 2006 schedule. The Irish have faced six teams ranked in the nation's top 25 (according to the NFCA top 25) and will have one ranked game remaining - at #21/22 Louisville this Sunday, April 30.

While the Irish have just one win against its six ranked teams faced in 2006 - they have competed head-to-head with the nation's top teams and represented themselves well. Current NFCA ranking listed -

- #10 Arizona State (W, 3-2) Notre Dame earned its biggest victory of the year and ended a 10-game winning streak for the Sun Devils ... the Irish took a 1-0 lead on a solo home run by Meagan Ruthrauff in the bottom of the second inning ... ASU answered with a home run of its own, a two-run shot by Mindy Cowles in the third inning ... ASU kept its one run lead until the bottom of the seventh when freshman Stephanie Mola reached on an error and scored on a walk-off two-run home run by Stephanie Brown.
- #2 Texas (L, 6-5) Notre Dame led the Longhorns 5-1 entering the bottom of the fifth inning ... the Irish built their lead on two-run home runs from Mallorie Lenn (in the top of the first) and Katie Laing (in the top of the fifth) ... after allowing just one run over the first four innings, freshman Brittney Bargar allowed four runs in the bottom of the fifth inning ... the Longhorns won the game on a solo home run by pinch hitter Rachel Cook in the bottom of the sixth inning.
- #3 Alabama (L, 4-3) In the next game on the Irish schedule after the near miss vs. Texas, Notre Dame led Alabama 2-0 in the top of the fourth inning ... Mallorie Lenn provided the big hit again with a two-run homer ... Alabama answered with three unearned runs in the bottom of the fourth inning off Heather Booth ... Bama's Jordan Praytor then provided the big hit with a solo home run in the bottom of the sixth ... that run proved to be the game-winner, as the Irish posted two runs in the top of the seventh on a home run from freshman Linda Kohan.
- #16 Nebraska (L, 5-2 in eight) Taking on the Cornhuskers in Tulsa, Notre Dame rallied from a 1-0 deficit to take a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the fifth inning on and RBI double by Stephanie Brown and RBI single from Mallorie Lenn ... Nebraska answered with a sacrifice fly in the top of the seventh inning to extend the game ... the Cornhuskers eventually won the game in the bottom of the seventh, utilizing the international tiebreaker rule to score three unearned runs with two outs
- #17 Northwestern (L, 3-2) Notre Dame took a 2-0 lead in the third inning against the Wildcats on an RBI single from Sara Schoonaert, followed by an RBI double by Mallorie Lenn ... NU answered back with a solo home run in the fifth inning ... the Irish held a 2-1 lead into the seventh inning, but a leadoff walk doomed Notre Dame and Northwestern was able to sneak out a 3-2 victory.

Notre Dame Team Highs

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Team Runs Scored
14vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)
Hits
21vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)
RBI
13vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)
Doubles
5vs. UNLV (2-18-06)
5vs. Kansas (3-4-06)
Triples
1five times
Home Runs
4vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)
Total Bases
37vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)
Stolen Bases
6vs. Western Michigan (3-26-06)
Assists
15vs. Bowling Green (3-29-06)
15vs. CS Fullerton (2-19-06)
Strikeouts Thrown
13vs. Stephen F. Austin (3-5-06)
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New BIG EAST Conference unveiled in 2006 -

The BIG EAST Conference expansion, which officially took place this fall, has garnered most of its attention in men's basketball. The conference has quickly transformed into the top men's basketball league in the country, but the effect that expansion will have on softball cannot be overlooked. The BIG EAST welcomes three traditional softball powers into the conference this season with the addition of DePaul, Louisville and South Florida. All three of the new teams will compete to end Notre Dame's regular-season conference title streak which stands at 10 years entering the '06 campaign.

Combined with an already solid conference lineup, the BIG EAST is now arguably the top softball league east of the Mississippi River. With a new league alignment, the BIG EAST Championship - scheduled to be played in South Bend, Ind., beginning May 11 - will feature a new schedule. The top eight teams from the league standings will take part in a single-elimination, three-day tournament to determine the league's automatic berth in the NCAA Championship. The final game of that tournament will be shown live on CSTV.

Season schedule has been/will be a challenge -

The 2006 season will prove a challenge for the Irish, as the team will face several teams ranked in the top 25, or just out of the national rankings.

According to the latest rankings, the Irish will face (NFCA rankings first, followed by USA Softball) #21/23 Louisville on April 30 as its only remaining ranked opponent. Notre Dame has already faced #10/10 Arizona State (3-2 victory), #4/4 Texas (6-5 loss), #6/7 Alabama (4-3 loss), #14/12 Oregon State (5-0 loss) and #17/17 Nebraska (5-3, eight-inning loss), #17/17 Northwestern (3-2 loss). The Irish also have faced DePaul (5-0 and 3-1 victories) and BYU (8-3 victory), who have both been in and out of the national polls this season and .

Notre Dame knocked off four ranked teams during the 2005 season. The Irish defeated #21 South Florida and #19 Florida on their first weekend of action (Feb. 12-13), then knocked off #5/6 Tennessee in its last game at the Palm Springs Classic. Notre Dame also defeated #15 Northwestern with a four-run rally in the bottom of the seventh on Tuesday, April 26, 2005.

Under head coach Deanna Gumpf, the Irish have knocked off at least three ranked teams in three of four seasons (#25 South Florida, #4 Nebraska, #15 Oregon State in `02; #8 Nebraska, #14 Nebraska, #18 Nebraska in `04). The Irish have defeated a total of 14 ranked teams during Gumpf's tenure. The most ranked wins for the Irish came in 2001, when the team defeated eight teams ranked in the national top 25.

Deanna Gumpf nabs 200th win in record-setting style -

Notre Dame head coach *Deanna Gumpf* won her 200th game with the Irish in game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9 - and the Irish made sure the win would be remembered with a record-setting performance. As a team, Notre Dame pounded out 21 hits - matching the school record set back in 1992 against Rhode Island.

Two Irish players posted personal-best hit totals in the contest, with junior *Stephanie Brown* and senior *Meagan Ruthrauff* going four for five at the plate. Ruthrauff's big game drew much of the attention, however, as she set two school records in the contest by hitting three home runs and driving in seven runs.

Gumpf is now 210-83 in her career with the Irish and has led the team to five consecutive NCAA appearances and five consecutive BIG EAST regular-season titles during her tenure.

New coaching staff, new Gumpf Family addition -

Notre Dame unveiled its new coaching staff in a unique way this season. *Lizzy Lemire*, a 2001 Notre Dame graduate, has joined the staff and *Kris Ganeff* (Notre Dame '99) moves up into the first assistant role. The change came about with the decision of former Irish assistant coach Charmelle Green to take a job in Notre Dame's Student-Athlete Development Program.

The unusual twist to the story is that Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf missed Lemire's official debut with the team. Gumpf and her husband John welcomed their second child, Tatum Elizabeth, on Wednesday, Feb. 22. Deanna has rejoined the team full time on the road for its Spring Break trip to Southern California.

To aid in the pitching staff's development during Gumpf's pregnancy, former Irish assistant coach and 1993 Penn State graduate Dawn Austin returned to the team as a volunteer assistant coach this season.

Irish pile up a record 46 hits in three games -

The Notre Dame offense hit a lull over a four-game stretch from April 2-8. The Irish finished 2-2 during the four-game run and combined for 19 hits as a team. Starting with game two at Syracuse, the Irish offense seems to be finding its stride again.

Over a three-game stretch last weekend, all victories, Notre Dame amassed 46 hits (12 vs. Syracuse, 13 vs. Pittsburgh, 21 vs. Pittsburgh) - a school record for hits over three consecutive games.

Notre Dame had previously notched 40 hits in three consecutive games three times:

- 1996 vs. Rutgers (19), Rutgers (12) and Rutgers (9) from 3-30 to 3-31
- 1998 vs. Loyola Chicago (13), vs. Loyola Chicago (14) and Rutgers (13) from 3-26 to 3-28
- 2003 at Syracuse (11), Valparaiso (12) and Valparaiso (17) from 4-19 to 4-23

The 2003 season also saw the Irish post the school record for consecutive games with 10 team hits - as Notre Dame won 10 games in a row from April 13 - April 23 and posted at least 10 hits in each game.

Irish have nine players with at least 10 RBI this season - The 2006 Notre Dame softball team has nine players who have driven in at least 10 runs this season - that ties the 2004 and 2001 teams for second place all-time the program's history. The 1994 seasoon saw 10 Irish players drive in at least 10 runs.

So far this season, Meagan Ruthrauff has driven in 35 runs, followed by Mallorie Lenn (33), Katie Laing (24), Linda Kohan (23), Sara Schoonaert (16), Stephanie Brown (14), Gessica Hufnagle (11), Erin Glasco (11) and Carissa Jaquish (10).

Irish compile a record-matching 21 hits in game two vs. Pittsburgh - Notre Dame's offense exploded for 21 hits in game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9, in a 14-4 victory over the Panthers. The performance matched the school record for hits in a single game. Notre Dame posted 21 hits against Rhode Island on March 14, 1992.

The Irish and Panthers also combined for a Notre Dame record 32 hits in game two - breaking the previous combined hits record of 29 (in the same game against Rhode Island, 1992 and vs. St. Joseph's on April 17, 1990).

Irish toss three no-hitters in 2006, most for the program since 1994 - Notre Dame's pitching staff has posted three no-hitters this season - the most for Notre Dame since Terri Kobata patrolled the pitching circle for Notre Dame back in 1994. In 1994, Kobata hurled eight no-hitters, part of 15 to her credit at Notre Dame.

In '06, Brittney Bargar posted the program's first eight-inning no hitter in a 2-1 victory over Connecticut on April 1. Heather Booth and Kenya Fuemmeler combined for a no-hitter at Western Michigan back on March 26 and just recently, Booth claimed her first career perfect game in Notre Dame's 8-0, five-inning victory over Rutgers on April 23.

Notre Dame continues its defensive prowess under Gumpf in 2006 - The Irish defense has continued to be a dependable force for the team, as Notre Dame will enter this weekend's play with a .980 fielding percentage. Threatening the school mark of .974 by the 2003 team, the `06 squad has kept alive the tradition of solid defense since Deanna Gumpf took over the program in 2002. The 2003 (.974), 2002 (.971) and 2004 (.968) teams rank one-two-three on the single-season list at Notre Dame.

Irish boast two top hitters in conference play - Entering this weekend's BIG EAST action, Notre Dame boasts the two top hitters (in terms of average) in conference play this season. In 12 games, junior *Stephanie Brown* is 25 for 45 (.556) with four RBI and 15 runs scored from the top of Notre Dame's lineup. Right behind her in the league batting average standings is senior *Meagan Ruthrauff*, who is 19 for 40 in conference play (.475) with 18 RBI, 12 runs scored and seven home runs. She leads the conference in home runs with seven, one head of Syracuse's Alexis Switenko.

Ruthrauff breaks two long-standing Irish records in remarkable performance - Senior 3B *Megan Ruthrauff* will see her name atop two single-game record categories after game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9.

Ruthrauff posted a personal-best four hits in game two - three of which left the park for home runs. She hit a solo shot to leftfield in the top of the first, had an RBI single in the fourth, added a solo shot in the sixth and put an exclamation mark on her day with a grand slam in the seventh inning.

Ruthrauff used all three fields for her home runs (one to left, one to center and one to right) and set the Notre Dame record for home runs in a single game (three) and RBI (seven).

The RBI record was first set in 2000 by '01 graduate Melanie Alkire. Alkire drove in six agianst San Diego State on March 12, 2000. The record was tied twice, once by '02 graduate Jarrah Myers at CS Northridge on March 11, 2001 and again by '05 graduate Liz Hartmann against Oakland on April 30, 2002.

The single-game home run record was held by nine different players - who accomplished the feat a combined 14 times. The most recent was by Hartmann, who hit two home runs against Nebraska on Feb. 14, 2004.

Ruthrauff earned her fifth career BIG EAST Player of the Week award for her performance over the weekend. Over a four-game conference stretch against Syracuse and Pittsburgh, Ruthrauff was nine for 13 with six runs scored, five home runs and 10 RBI.

Ruthrauff reaches career walks record -

Senior 1B *Meagan Ruthrauff*, Notre Dame's cleanup hitter the last three seasons, is not only a potent RBI producer (152 in three-plus years, third the all-time Notre Dame list), but she also has outstanding plate discipline.

Ruthrauff has drawn 106 walks during her career, surpassing matching Andrea Loman's (2000-03) previous Notre Dame career record of 87.

Ruthrauff has already drawn 26 free passes this season and ranks one-two on the single-season walk list at Notre Dame. In 2004, she drew a record 36 base on balls and followed up with 31 walks in 2005.

Booth becomes first Irish pitcher to log 800 innings pitched in memorable style -

Senior *Heather Booth* surpassed the 800 inning pitched barrier on Senior Day at Ivy Field, when she and her three classmates were honored for their four years of dedication on Sunday, April 23 against Rutgers. Booth made sure the day would be memorable, as she pitched her first career solo no-hitter and perfect game in Notre Dame's five-inning, 8-0 victory over the Scarlet Knights. Booth retired all 15 batters she faced, striking out four. She has two other combined no-hitters to her credit

A front line pitcher for the Irish since she stepped on campus in 2003, Booth could become the first Irish pitcher to pitch 800 innings and strikeout 800 batters. She needs 38 strikeouts this season to reach 800 in her career.

Booth now Notre Dame's most prolific pitcher -

While leading her team to a 7-0 victory over Pittsburgh in game one on Sunday, April 9, senior *Heather Booth* became Notre Dame's all-time leader in innings pitched with 773.1 - surpassing Jen Sharron's previous school mark of 772.1. Booth has been a front-line starter for the Irish since she arrived on campus four years ago and ranks in the top five for all of Notre Dame's significant pitching records.

Currently, Booth is first all-time in innings pitched (814.0), second in appearances (147), second in games started (122), second in wins (87), first in complete games (77), fourth in shutouts (27) and third in strikeouts (762). See page nine of this notes package for a complete listing of Booth on the all-time statistical charts.

Laing approaching single-season doubles record, AGAIN - Sophomore Katie Laing posted 17 doubles as a rookie last season to match current Irish assistant coach Lizzy Lemire (1999) and Jenn Giampaolo (1996) for the school record. After a slow start to the season, Laing has now reached 14 doubles - tied for ninth on the single-season list and Notre Dame and threatening the school record that she shares.

Already with 31 doubles in her career , Laing needs just three more to break into the all-time top 10 at Notre Dame in that category.

South Bend plays host to the 2006 BIG EAST Championship -

For the fourth time in the last five years, the BIG EAST Softball Championship will be held in a neutral/off-campus site in 2006.

After Salem, Va., served as the tournament's site in 2002 and 2003, the City of South Bend, Ind., will welcome the 2006 BIG EAST Softball Championship to the Belleville Complex on the far west side of town.

The Belleville Complex is one of the best softball-only facilities in Indiana and served as host to over 3,000 fans when the U.S. Olympic Team played an exhibition doubleheader in July of 2005.

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Directions to the BIG EAST Championship -

The Belleville Complex is located on the far west side of South Bend, Ind., on Mayflower Road.

<u>From the east/west:</u> Take I80/90 Toll Road to the South Bend West/Plymouth 31 South Exit. Go south on US 31 to the Mayflower Road (north) exit. The complex is on the right after the exit.

<u>From the south:</u> Take US 31 north from Indianapolis, follow the US 31 By Pass west once you reach the South Bend city limits. Take the Mayflower Road exit (north) off the US 31 bypass. The complex is on the right after the exit.

<u>From downtown South Bend:</u> Take State Road 933 (Main Street) through downtown South Bend to Sample Street. Take a right on Sample Street and travel 3.5 miles on Sample to Mayflower Road. Take a left on Mayflower Road, the complex will be on your left.

<u>From the University of Notre Dame:</u> Take Eddy (Juniper) Street south - it will take a turn to the west and become Sample Street. Follow Sample Street across Main Street and continue on Sample for 3.5 miles to Mayflower Road. Take a left on Mayflower Road, the complex will be on your left.

Irish Players on the All-Time Charts

Most Doubles
1. Melanie Alkire (1998-01)49
2. Elizabeth Perkins (1994-97)48
3. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current)45
Jenny Kriech (1999-02)45
5. Andrea Loman (2000-03)44
Sara Hayes (1992-95)44
7. Lizzy Lemire (1998-01)43
8. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03)40
9. Meghan Murray (1994-97)39
10. Megan Ciolli (2002-05)37
Most Home Runs
1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02)36
2. Andrea Loman (2000-03)31
3. Melanie Alkire (1998-01)30
4. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current)29
5. Liz Hartmann (2002-05)27
6. Sara Hayes (1992-95)26
7. Mallorie Lenn (2003-current)19
8. Stephanie Brown (2004-current)15
Meghan Murray (1994-97)15
10. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03)14
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Μα	ost Putouts
1.	Jarrah Myers (1999-02)1,337
2.	Mallorie Lenn (2003-current)1,235
3.	Stephanie Pinter (1991-94)1,177
4.	Kris McCleary (1996-99)1,040
5.	Sara Hayes (1992-95)964
6.	Amy Folsom (1989-92)826
7.	Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current)804
8.	Lisa Mattison (2000-03)768
9.	Kelly Rowe (1995-98)
Э.	Keny Rowe (1995-96)
	ost Pitching Appearances
1.	, , ,
	Heather Booth (2003-current)147
3.	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)134
4.	Angela Bessolo (1996-99)125
5.	Missy Linn (1989-92)122
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	Heather Booth (2003-current)122
	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)117
4.	Missy Linn (1989-92)97
5.	Terri Kobata (1993-96)94
Mo	ost Wins
1.	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)88
	Heather Booth (2003-current)87
3.	Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)79
	Terri Kobata (1993-96)79
5.	Missy Linn (1989-92)63
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	ost Complete Games
	Heather Booth (2003-current)
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	Missy Linn (1989-92)74
	Terri Kobata (1993-96)65
5.	Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)54
Mα	ost Shutouts
1	Terri Kobata (1993-96)42
	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)38
	Missy Linn (1989-92)29
1	Heather Booth (2003-current)28
	Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)20
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Mo	ost Innings Pitched
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	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)772.1
	Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)744.0
	Missy Linn (1989-92)670.0
	Terri Kobata (1993-96)630.0

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Mo	ost Strikeouts
1.	Terri Kobata (1993-96)907
2.	Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)790
	Heather Booth (2003-current)762
	Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)728
	Angela Bessolo (1996-99)445
	Single Season Charts
Mo	ost Home Runs
1.	Jarrah Myers (2002)13
	Melanie Alkire (2000)13
3.	
	Jarrah Myers (2000)12
5	Meagan Ruthrauff (2004)11
	Meagan Ruthrauff (2006)10
"	Melanie Alkire (1999)10
	Sara Hayes (1994)10
	Jaia 1 layes (1774)10
Mo	ost Walks
1.	Meagan Ruthrauff (2004)36
2.	Meagan Ruthrauff (2005)31
3.	Jarrah Myers (2002)30
4.	Andrea Loman (2002)27
	Jarrah Myers (2001)27
6.	Meagan Ruthrauff (2006)26
	Kelly Rowe (1997)26
8.	Andrea Loman (2000)25
9.	
M	ost Stolen Bases
1	Megan Ciolli (2005)33
	Kellie Middleton (2005)25
	Katie Marten (1996)21
	Stephanie Brown (2006)20
7.	Megan Ciolli (2004)20
	Katie Marten (1995)20
7.	
	Jenny Kriech (2001)
0.	Andrea Loman (2003)18
Tea	am Home Runs
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2.	2003
3.	2004
	2000
	2006
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Tea	am Fielding Percentage

 1. 2006
 .980

 2. 2003
 .974

 3. 2005
 .969

2006 Notre Dame Softball Results

Date C	Innonent	Scoro	1A7 / T	ND Line/Opp. Line		ND Record		GW Hit/Run
	<u>Opponent</u> Colorado St.	<u>Score</u> 4-5	L	4-5-1/5-11-1	7	0-1	Booth (L, 0-1)	GW IIII/ Kuii
Feb. 17 C		8-3	W	8-11-1/3-5-2	7	1-1	Bargar (W, 1-0)	I onn /I oin o
		0-5	L L		7	1-1 1-2	0 ,	Lenn/Laing
Feb. 18 a	14 Oregon St.	6-4	W	0-3-1/5-8-0	7	2-2	Booth (L, 0-2)	Inquish /Northway
			L L	6-11-0/4-6-2	7	2-2 2-3	Bargar (W, 2-0)	Jaquish/Northway
	rs. CS Fullerton			3-7-0/9-10-0			Booth (L, 0-3)	/Cl
Feb. 24 v		1-0	W	1-3-0/0-4-1	7	3-3	Bargar (W, 3-0)	-/Glynn
	t Fla. Intern.	5-0	W	5-5-0/0-2-3	5 7	4-3 5-2	Booth (W, 1-3)	Kohan/Hufnagle
	s. Memphis	4-1	W	4-5-1/1-6-2		5-3 5-4	Booth (W, 2-3)	Kohan/Kotcheff
	t Fla. Intern.	4-5	L	4-6-1/5-7-2	7	5-4	Bargar (L, 3-1)	-
	rs. #17 Nebraska		L	2-7-1/5-6-0	8	5-5 5-6	Booth (L, 2-4)	-
	t Tulsa	1-2	L	1-4-1/2-5-1	7	5-6	Bargar (L, 3-2)	Death was ff /V alson
	s. N. Iowa	10-1	W	10-8-1/1-7-2	5	6-6	Bargar (W, 4-2)	Ruthrauff/Kohan
Mar. 4 v		5-2	W	5-13-0/2-5-4	7	7-6	Booth (W, 3-4)	Kohan/Ruthrauff
Mar. 5 v		1-2	L	1-9-2/2-7-0	8	7-7	Bargar (L, 4-3)	- D /I/ + 1 ((
	t Cal Poly SLO		W	3-8-0/1-5-3	7	8-7	Booth (W, 4-4)	Brown/Kotcheff
	t Cal Poly SLO	1-0	W	1-3-0/0-6-3	7	9-7	Bargar (W, 5-3)	-/Smith
	t CS Fullerton	2-3	L	2-3-1/3-5-0	8	9-8	Booth (L, 4-5)	- D /D
	s. #10 Arz. St.	3-2	W	3-7-1/2-7-2	7	10-8	Bargar (W, 6-3)	Brown/Brown
	s. Florida St.	1-0	W	1-3-0/0-3-1	7	11-8	Booth (W, 5-5)	Kotcheff/Brown
	s. #4 Texas	5-6	L	5-5-1/6-10-1	7	11-9	Booth (L, 5-6)	-
	s. #6 Alabama	3-4	L	3-3-1/4-8-1	7	11-10	Booth (L, 5-7)	-
	t W. Michigan	5-0	W	5-9-1/0-0-1	7	12-10	Booth (W, 6-7)	Schoonaert/Smith
	t W. Michigan	2-1	W	2-6-1/1-3-2	8	13-10	Bargar (W, 7-3)	-/Brown
	Bowling Green	1-0	W	1-5-1/0-3-1	11	14-10	Booth (W, 7-7)	Lenn/Kotcheff
	Connecticut*	9-0	W	9-11-0/0-4-1	5	15-10	Booth (W, 8-7)	-/Brown
	Connecticut*	2-1	W	2-6-2/1-0-1	8	16-10	Bargar (W, 8-3)	Ruthrauff/Mola
	'rovidence*	4-1	W	4-9-1/1-3-0	7	17-10	Booth (W, 9-7)	Lenn/Kotcheff
Apr. 2 P	'rovidence*	8-0	W	8-10-0/0-2-1	6	18-10	Bargar (W, 9-3)	Lenn/Brown
Apr. 4 E	E. Michigan	2-0	W	2-6-1/0-2-1	7	19-10	Booth (W, 10-7)	Schoonaert/Laing
	. Michigan	1-0	W	1-5-1/0-2-0	7	20-10	Bargar (W, 10-3)	Ruthrauff/Kotcheff
Apr. 5 A	Akron	2-4	L	2-4-0/4-7-1	7	20-11	Bargar (L, 10-4)	-
Apr. 8 a	t Syracuse*	1-2	L	1-4-1/2-2-2	7	20-12	Booth (L, 10-8)	-
Apr. 8 a	t Syracuse*	7-5	W	7-12-0/5-13-2	10	21-12	Booth (W, 11-8)	Jaquish/Laing
Apr. 9 a	t Pittsburgh*	7-0	W	7-13-0/0-5-	7	22-12	Booth (W, 12-8)	-/Smith
Apr. 9 a	t Pittsburgh*	14-4	W	7-21-0/4-11-2	7	23-12	Bargar (W, 11-5)	Kohan/Kohan
Apr. 11 B	Ball State	6-0	W	6-9-0/0-2-1	7	24-12	Booth (W, 13-8)	Laing/Lenn
Apr. 13 D	DePaul*	5-0	W	5-11-1/0-5-0	7	25-12	Booth (W, 14-8)	Lenn/Brown
Apr. 13 D	DePaul*	3-1	W	3-7-0/1-4-3	7	26-12	Bargar (W, 12-5)	Laing/Lenn
Apr. 18 a	t #17 N'westerr	n 2-3	L	2-7-0/3-4-2	7	26-13	Booth (L, 14-9)	-
Apr. 19 T	Toledo	5-0	W	5-9-1/0-5-1	7	27-13	Bargar (W, 13-5)	Laing/Schoonaert
Apr. 22 V	⁷ illanova*	8-7	W	8-13-1/7-10-2	7	28-13	Booth (W, 15-9)	Glasco/Jaquish
Apr. 22 V	⁷ illanova*	8-3	W	8-8-0/3-8-1	7	29-13	Bargar (W, 14-5)	Glasco/Hufnagle
Apr. 23 R	Rutgers*	8-0	W	8-14-0/0-0-0	5	30-13	Booth (W, 16-9)	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
Apr. 23 R	0	7-0	W	7-10-0/0-4-2	7	31-13	Bargar (W, 15-5)	Lenn/Smith
Apr. 26 P		9-1	W	9-12-0/1-3-2	6	32-13	Booth (W, 17-9	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
Apr. 26 P		4-7	L	4-8-1/7-8-2	7	32-14	Bargar (L, 15-6)	-
•	t Valparaiso	6-2	W	6-10-1/2-4-1	7	33-14	Booth (W, 18-9)	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
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2006 Notre Dame Softball Player Bio Updates -

Brittney Bargar • Fr. • RHP • 5-9 • Corona, CA • Corona H.S.

Career: Became the first Irish pitcher to win an eight-inning no-hitter vs. Connecticut on April 1 ... threw all eight innings of Notre Dame's 2-1 victory, striking out six and allowing one for her first collegiate no-hitter ... earned her first BIG EAST weekly award on Monday, April 5, as she was named the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week.

2006: Notre Dame's No. 2 starting pitcher behind veteran Heather Booth ... a confident first-year player capable of solid pitching performances ... throws hard with good velocity ... posted the biggest victory of her young career over #10 Arizona State at the Judi Garman Classic, allowing seven hits, two runs and striking out seven in Notre Dame's 3-2 victory ... picked up her first career shutout victory in game two at Cal Poly SLO, scattering six hits, walking three and striking out eight in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory ... pitched well in a tough loss at Tulsa, allowing five hits, one earned run and striking out nine in a complete-game 2-1 loss ... earned a short victory vs. Northern Iowa, pitching the first three innings of a 10-1, five-inning Notre Dame win, allowing three hits and striking out five ... picked up her seventh victory at Western Michigan by logging her longest career apperance, going 7 1/3 innings while allowing just three hits, walking four and striking out six in an eventual 2-1 victory in game two of the doubleheader at WMU ... pitched into extra innings for the second consecutive outing and earned her first career no-hitter in game two against Connecticut ... struck out six, walked one and allowed an unearned run against the Huskies in Notre Dame's 2-1 victory ... pitched five innings and allowed two hits in game two against Providence, with the Irish eventually winning 8-0 in six innings ... dominated game two against Eastern Michigan, striking out a career-high 11 batters ... recorded the last seven outs of the 1-0 victory over EMU via strikeouts ... saw her six-game win streak come to an end with a 4-2 loss to Akron on April 5 ... the loss was the first in a month for the righthander ... posted a personal-best with 12 strikeouts in game two at Pittsburgh, but also allowed a season-high 11 hits in the contest ... settled down after a rough first inning (HBP, two WP) in game two against DePaul to earn the complete-game victory, allowing four hits, one run (earned) and six strikeouts ... sailed through the first six innings vs. Toledo to earn the victory, allowing four hits and striking out seven ... posted a BIG EAST shutout in game two vs. Rutgers, going the distance and allowing four hits while striking out three ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll on Monday, April 23 after going 3-0 during the week with a 1.05 ERA with 17 Ks in 20.0 IP.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-5-06)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-23-06)

2006/Career Statistics:

ERA 2.38	<u>W-L</u> 15-5	<u>App</u> 26	<u>GS</u> 21	<u>CG</u> 11	<u>SHO/CBO</u> 4/3	<u>SV</u> 0	<u>IP</u> 132.1	<u>H</u> 121	<u>R</u> 52	<u>ER</u> 45	<u>BB</u> 48	<u>SO</u> 141	SO/7 7.47	<u>B/Avg.</u> .241
2006 E	BIG EAST	Statistics	s:											
<u>ERA</u>	W-L	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	SHO/CBO	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	B/Avg.
1.83	6-0	7	7	5	1/1	0	46.0	40	13	12	10	44	6.70	.238

Team Misce	llane	ous	Sta	ts		Hitting Streaks		
Multiple Hit C	Games	;				<u>Player</u>	Season-High	<u>Dates</u>
<u>Player</u>	2	3	$\underline{4}$	<u>5+</u> <u>T</u>	<u> Total</u>	Stephanie Brown	10	Feb. 24 - March 12
Brown	10	3	2	-	15	Mallorie Lenn	8	Feb. 25 - March 12
Laing	12	1	-	-	13	Katie Laing	8	April 8 - April 22
Schoonaert	11	1	-	-	12	Sara Schoonaert	7	Feb. 25 - March 12
Lenn	9	3	-	-	12	Linda Kohan	6	April 19 - April 26
Ruthrauff	. , , ,					Alexandra Kotcheff	5	March 3 - March 12
Kohan	8	3	-	-	11	Gessica Hufnagle	4	April 8 - April 13
Multiple RBI (Games	5				Carissa Jaquish	4	April 8 - April 13
<u>Player</u>	2	<u>3</u>	$\underline{4}$	<u>5+</u> <u>T</u>	<u> Total</u>	Stephanie Mola	4	April 8 - April 11
Lenn	4	1	2	-	7	Meagan Ruthrauff	4	April 8 - April 11
Ruthrauff	5	1	-	1	7	Erin Glasco	4	April 22 - April 26
Kohan	4	2	-	-	6	LONGEST CURRENT	- Stephanie Brov	vn - 9 - April 13 - current
Laing 2 3 5					5		_	-

Heather Booth • Sr. • RHP • 5-10 • Riverside, CA • Martin Luther King H.S.

Career: Ranks among Notre Dame's all-time top five in appearances, wins, innings pitched and strikeouts ... became Notre Dame's all-time leader in innings pitched with a complete-game shutout performance at Pittsburgh (game one) on April 9 ... followed up by becoming the first Irish pitcher to reach 800 innings pitched with a five-inning, perfect game performance vs. Rutgers on Senior Day at Ivy Field ... the perfect game also was her 77th complete game of her career, establishing a school record ... poised to become Notre Dame's all-time leader in appearances as well ... with a strong finish, could become just the second Irish pitcher to post 800 strike-outs in a career (currently has 752) ... 2003 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Third-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2004 Second-Team NFCA All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team ... brings a five-game win streak into this weekend's action at Syracuse and Pittsburgh ... did not allowed an earned run in seven pitching appearances from March 25 - April 8.

2006: Staff ace for the Fighting Irish ... will carry much of the pitching load and provide leadership for Notre Dame's pair of rookie pitchers ... picked up first win of the season against Florida International (Feb. 24) with a five-inning complete-game shutout, striking out nine and allowing just two hits ... also picked up a complete-game victory over Memphis, scattering six hits, allowing one run and striking out 10 ... named adidas Golden Panther Invitational tournament MVP for her performance over three days, going 2-0 with a 0.47 ERA and 22 strikeouts in 15.0 IP ... took a hard-luck loss vs. #17 Nebraska, scattering six hits, allowing two earned runs and striking out seven in eight innings ... shut down a potent Kansas offense, picking up a complete-game victory with 7.0 IP, two earned runs and 10 strikeouts ... suffered a frustrating non-decision against Stephen F. Austin, allowing seven hits and striking out 11 in Notre Dame's 2-1, eight-inning setback ... it was the second consecutive 10 strikeout performance for the righthander ... evened record to 4-4 on the season with a complete-game five-hit performance at Cal Poly SLO, allowing five hits and striking out eight ... best outing of the early season might have come vs. Florida State, as Booth shut down the Seminoles in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory with three hits and 11 strikeouts ... the FSU game was suspended by rain in the fourth inning, but Booth returned the next day to earn the victory ... pitched well against #6 Alabama, striking out six and allowing three unearned runs in Notre Dame's eventual 4-3 loss ... earned second combined no-hitter of her career in game one at Western Michigan, throwing the first four innings, walking three and striking out five ... picked up second save of the season in game two at WMU, entering the game with one out in the bottom of the eighth inning with the Irish holding a one-run lead ... forced a pop up and then struck out the final batter of the game ... turned in the longest pitching performance of her career in a 1-0, 11-inning victory over Bowling Green ... worked 11.0 innings, walking two, striking out five and allowing just three hits ... forced 16 fly ball outs and 16 ground ball outs vs. the Falcons ... struck out five batters in four innings pitched in game one against Connecticut, winning Notre Dame's 9-0 game-one victory ... struck out eight and allowed just three hits (one unearned run) against Providence in game one ... shut down Eastern Michigan in game one, allowing just two hits and striking out six ... saw her five-game win streak come to an end with a tough 2-1 loss to Syracuse (game one) ... allowed only two hits in the loss to the Orange, but walked four and struck out just two ... did not allow a single runner to reach base over the final three innings of the Syracuse loss ... returned to form in game one at Pittsburgh, scattering five hits, walking two and striking out 11 for the third time in 2006 ... pitched four innings of no-hit softball against Ball State, picking up the win while striking out five ... earned the game-one victory over DePaul with a solid performance, scattering five hits, striking out six and allowing one walk in Notre Dame's 5-0 victory ... named BIG EAST pitcher of the week for the fifth time in her career and first time in 2006 on Monday, April 17 ... finished the week 2-0 with a 0.00 ERA, pitching four innings of no-hit softball against Ball State and picking up the complete-game shutout of DePaul ... touched for seven runs against Villanova on April 22, but quickly erased the bad feeling from that outing with her first career solo perfect game in game one against Rutgers ... on Senior Day (last home BIG EAST doubleheader), sat down all 15 batters she faced and struck out four in Notre Dame's 8-0, five-inning victory ... the perfect game marks the first solo no-hitter of Booth's career (two combined) and the team's third in 2006 ... shutdown Purdue in game one with 5.2 IP, three hits, two walks and seven strikeouts ... picked up her 18th win of the year at Valparaiso, pitching the first six innings and allowing three hits, one earned run and striking out three.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-17-06) adidas Golden Panther Invitational Tournament MVP

2006 5	Statistics:													
ERA	W-L	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	SHO/CBO	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	SO/7	B/Avg.
1.33	18-9	32	26	16	7/3	2	174.0	114	46	33	72	175	7.04	.187
2006 I	BIG EAST	Statistics	:											
<u>ERA</u>	W-L	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	SHO/CBO	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	B/Avg.
1.18	7-1	8	7	5	3/1	0	47.1	28	10	8	19	41	6.09	.166
Caree	r Statistic	s:												
<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	SHO/CBO	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	SO/7	B/Avg.
1.57	87-36	147	122	77	28/11	6	814.0	564	242	182	285	762	6.55	.194

Stephanie Brown • Jr. • OF • 5-6 • Chander, AZ • Corona del Sol H.S.

Career: Consistent hitter who piled up 131 hits (at least 60 each season) in her first two years with the Irish ... tied former teammate Liz Hartmann for the Notre Dame freshman home run record, hitting seven in 2004 ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team ... 2004 NFCA Leadoff Classic All-Tournament Team ... has moved into the top-10 all-time in career home runs with 14 ... also ranked in the all-time top 10 for stolen bases with 42 in her career (7th) ... played second base as a rookie for the Irish in 2004.

2006: Returns to the top of the lineup as Notre Dame's leadoff hitter for the third consecutive season ... a three tool player capable of slapping, bunting and hitting for power ... has recently shifted to centerfield after starting the first 23 games of the season in rightfield ... earned a spot on the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team after posting three hits (including a home run against FIU) and scoring five runs during the two-day tournament ... two for four with an RBI double and run scored vs. #17 Nebraska ... ended up one for one with two RBI (on sacrifice flies) vs. Northern Iowa ... reached in all four at bats against Tulsa, going two for three (reached on an error and error on a sacrifice as well) ... provided the game-winning hit with a two-run single in the top of the seventh in game one at Cal Poly SLO, bringing the Irish back from a 1-0 deficit and eventually leading to the 3-1 victory ... provided Notre Dame's biggest hit of the season so far, crushing a two-run opposite field home run in the bottom of the seventh vs. #10 Arizona State for a walk-off hit in the 3-2 victory ... that walk-off home run highlighted a three for four performance against the Sun Devils ... one for three against both Florida State and Texas and also posted a stolen base against both teams ... piled up three hits in game one at Western Michigan, going three for four with two singles, an RBI double and a stolen base ... finished two for four with a double vs. Bowling Green ... piled up three hits in the doubleheader vs. Connecticut, hitting a solo home run in game two and scoring two runs ... finished four for six with four runs scored in the doubleheader vs. Providence ... named to the BIG EAST Conference weekly honor roll on Monday, April 5, going nine for 17 over the week (.529) with two runs, two doubles and two home runs ... two for five with two stolen bases and one run scored in game two at Syracuse (7-5 Irish win) ... posted a career-best four hits and scored three runs in game two at Pittsburgh ... shook off the effects of a shoulder injury to pile up six hits during the doubleheader sweep vs. DePaul ... was intitally struck in the shoulder by a line drive foul ball while in the Irish dugout against Ball State ... missed the rest of the BSU contest, but returned in game one against DePaul togo four for four with two runs scored (matching her career-best for hits in a single game) ... ended up two for three in game two vs. DePaul ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll on Monday, April 17, after hitting 6-7 in the DH against DePaul ... led off the doubleheader with Villanova with a solo home run to leftfield ... finished three for four in game one vs. Villanova ... ended up two for three with two runs scored in game two against the Wildcats with a leadoff double ... missed the Rutgers doubleheader due to an illness ... returned to the lineup in game one against Purdue and went two for four with a run scored ... carries a nine-game hit streak into this weekend's action.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther Invitational All-Tournament Team Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-5-06) BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-17-06)

2006 5	Statistics:															
<u>Avg.</u>	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.392	45-45	148	34	58	9	0	5	14	.554	16	.449	20-23	24	0	0	1.000
2006 I	BIG EAST S	tatistic	cs:													
Avg.	GP-GS	AB	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.556	12-12	45	15	25	3	0	3	4	.822	3	.583	7-8	4	0	0	1.000
Caree	r Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	AB	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.338	175-175	560	116	189	28	1	15	58	.471	50	.401	42-58	232	95	15	.956

Christine Farrell • Fr. • RHP • 5-8 • La Habra, CA • Sonora H.S.

2006: Freshman pitcher has yet to see action while working through recovery from offseason surgery.

Kenya Fuemmeler • Jr. • RHP • 5-7 • Salisbury, MO • Salisbury H.S.

2006: Veteran reliever who has set career highs for innings pitched and appearances already this season ... has thrown well off the bench for the Irish this season ... finished off Notre Dame's 10-1, five-inning victory over Northern Iowa, allowing four hits, a run and striking out three in 2.0 innings ... completed the final three innings of a combined no-hitter with senior Heather Booth in game one at Western Michigan ... walked two and forced six ground outs along with three fly outs in her three innings of action vs. the Broncos ... pitched one inning in Notre Dame's 9-0, five-inning win over Connecticut in game one ... also finished off Notre Dame's 9-0, six-inning victory over Providence in game two ... turned in a great relief appearance against Akron, entering the game with the Irish trailing 4-0 and shutting down the Zip offense over 2 1/3 innings, waling one and striking out one and allowing a single hit ... worked two solid innings against Ball State, pitching the fifth and sixth innings of Notre Dame's 6-0 victory.

2006 9	Statistics													
ERA	W-L	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	SHO/CBO	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	SO/7	B/Avg.
1.56	0-0	12	0	0	0/5	0	18.0	12	4	4	13	11	4.28	.190
2006 1	BIG EAS	T Statisti	ics:											
ERA	W-L	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	ER	BB	<u>SO</u>	SO/7	B/Avg.
2.62	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	2.2	3	$\frac{\overline{1}}{1}$	1	3	3	0.95	.273
Caree	r Statisti	cs:												
ERA	W-L	App	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	ER	BB	SO	SO/7	B/Avg.
1.64	1-0	18	0	0	0/7	0	25.2	22	9	6	18	16	4.4	.227

Erin Glasco • Fr. • C/DP • 5-7 • Johnston City, IL • Johnston City H.S.

2006: Left-handed hitter one of Notre Dame's top choices at designated player ... also the team's back up catcher in 2006 ... drove in two runs with an RBI single in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... picked up her fourth RBI of the season with a double in game one vs. Western Michigan (2-0 Irish victory) ... has started to show signs of breaking out of a season-long slump ... posted a walk-off single in the bottom of the seventh inning during to end game one against Villanova and cap Notre Dame's three-run rally in the inning ... crushed her first career home run off the Ivy Field scoreboard in game two against Villanova, driving in the winning run in Notre Dame's 8-3 victory ... ended another game with an RBI single, this time to push Notre Dame to an eight-run rule victory over Rutgers in game one ... finished two for three in game one against Rutgers ... added to Notre Dame's lead in game two against Rutgers with a two-RBI double (7-0 Irish victory).

2006/	Career Stat	istics:														
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.184	42-37	98	3	18	4	0	1	11	.255	5	.245	0-0	35	3	0	1.000
2006 I	BIG EAST S	tatistic	es:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	PO	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.241	12-11	29	1	7	1	0	1	9	.379	1	.290	0-0	7	1	0	1.000

Brittany Glynn • So. • OF • 5-3 • Seymour, CT • St. Joseph H.S.

2006: Provides depth in the outfield for the Irish ... one of the team's top pinch-running options ... has scored seven runs as a pinch runner in 2006 ... posted a memorable first career hit, hitting a two-run home run in the bottom of the sixth inning against Ball State ... the hit represented the first RBI, hit and extra-base hit of her career.

2006 5	Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.250	26-0	4	10	1	0	0	1	2	1.000	0	.250	1-3	0	0	0	.000
2006 I	BIG EAST S	Statistic	cs:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.000	11-0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.000	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Caree	r Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.200	35-0	5	11	1	0	0	1	2	.800	0	.200	1-4	0	0	0	.000

Gessica Hufnagle • Jr. • OF • 5-6 • Middlebury, IN • Northridge H.S.

2006: Had made a switch from catcher to outfielder this season ... has rotated as one of Notre Dame's starting outfielders and is capable of outstanding athletic defensive plays ... broke open game one at Western Michigan with a two-out, two-RBI single up the middle to give the Irish a 4-0 lead in an eventual 5-0 victory ... carded first three-hit game of her career at Pittsburgh in game two, going three for five with a double and RBI ... one for three with a run scored vs. Ball State ... tacked on two insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth inning against Toledo with a two-out two-RBI single ... started at centerfield for the first time in her caree during the doubleheader vs. Rutgers, as regular starter Stephanie Brown was sidelined with an illness ... cracked her frist career home run vs. Valparaiso on Thursday, April 27, highlighting a two for three performance at the plate.

2006 S	Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.209	41-38	91	11	19	2	1	1	11	.286	12	.327	2-4	31	1	1	.970
2006 H	BIG EAST S	tatistic	es:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.240	12-11	25	3	6	1	0	0	2	.280	1	.406	1-1	11	1	0	1.000
Caree	r Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.192	123-63	156	26	30	3	1	1	15	.244	16	.284	6-9	224	14	6	.975

Carissa Jaquish • Jr. • INF • 5-6 • Highland, CA • Redlands East Valley H.S.

2006: Has the ability to play third base, outfield and catch for the Irish if necessary ... started in leftfield for the Irish at Cal Poly SLO ... has also been a catcher for the Irish during her career ... hit her first home run of the season in dramatic fashion, launching a two-run shot with one out in the top of the 10th inning to provide the winning margin in game two at Syracuse, Notre Dame taking the win 7-5 ... one for one with a two-RBI triple in game two at Pittsburgh ... logged third three-hit game of her career in game one against Villanova, finishing thee for three with two runs scored and an RBI ... the RBI was noteworthy, as it drove in the game-tying run during Notre Dame's three-run rally in the bottom of the seventh ... eventually scored the game-winning run on a single from teammate Erin Glasco in the team's 8-7 victory ... two for three with an RBI single in game one against Rutgers ... capped a five-run first inning in game one against Purdue with a two-run home run to rightfield, her second round tripper of the season ... also posted a double ingame two against the Boilermakers.

2006 S	Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.233	31-19	60	10	14	2	1	2	10	.400	7	.324	0-0	6	5	1	.917
2006 E	BIG EAST S	tatistic	cs:													
Avg.	GP-GS	AB	<u>R</u>	H	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	HR	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	OB%	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.409	10-7	22	5	9	1	1	1	6	.682	3	.480	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
Caree	r Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	AB	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	HR	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	OB%	SB-Att	PO	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.226	129-85	257	32	58	9	4	3	29	.327	21	.291	5-5	177	11	4	.979

Linda Kohan • Fr. • INF • 5-6 • Westminster, CA • Westminster H.S.

2006: Has appeared at both third base and first base for the Irish this season ... also the top option for the Irish at DP when not in the starting defensive alignment ... slammed three home runs in her first collegiate weekend of action, earning a spot on the BIG EAST Conference Softball Honor Roll ... first career hit for the Irish was a three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning against Colorado State ... finished two for three against BYU and was hit by a pitch ... two for three with a solo home run against UNLV ... posted a personal-best three hits against CS Fullerton, going three for four with a solo home run, double and two runs scored ... finished two for four with an RBI against Memphis ... two for four with an RBI double vs. Kansas ... broke out of an 0-22 slump with a solo home run in the top of the seventh inning in Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to #6 Alabama ... two for three with a single, double and run scocred in game one at Western Michigan ... had a single hit in game two against the Broncos, finishing the doubleheader three for six ... smacked two doubles in the twin bill with Eastern Michigan, finishing two for three in the doubleheader with a walk ... drove in the only two runs of Notre Dame's 4-2 loss to Akron with a two-out RBI double in the bottom of the seventh inning ... two for three with two runs scored and a solo home run (her fifth of the season) in Notre Dame's 14-4 victory over Pittsburgh in game two ... two for two with a an RBI double, single and walk in Notre Dame's 6-0 win over Ball State ... drove in the third and fourth run of Notre Dame's game one victory over DePaul with a two-RBI double ... one for two with an RBI single vs. Toledo ... three for three and reached base four times in Notre Dame's come-from-behind victory over Villanova ... just missed the game-tying home run in the bottom of the seventh, drilling a double just off the top of the Ivy Field wall ... eventually scored the game-tying run on a double from Carissa Jaquish ... one for one with three RBI in game one against Rutgers ... hit a two-RBI double in the first inning against the Scarlet Knight and added a sacrifice fly ... fnished game one against Purdue three for four with two RBI, two singles and a double ... one for two with two runs scored at Valparaiso.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Softball Honor Roll (2-21-06)

2006/9 Avg. .308	Career Stat <u>GP-GS</u> 47-47	istics: <u>AB</u> 133	<u>R</u> 19	<u>H</u> 41	<u>2B</u> 12	3 <u>B</u> 0	<u>HR</u> 5	<u>RBI</u> 23	<u>Slg%</u> .511	<u>BB</u> 16	<u>OB%</u> .408	<u>SB-Att</u> 0-0	<u>PO</u> 216	<u>A</u> 35	<u>E</u> 6	<u>Fld%</u> .977
2006 E	BIG EAST S	tatistics	s:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}$	Fld%
.368	14-14	38	7	14	4	0	1	8	.553	6	.479	0-0	113	3	0	1.000

Alexandra Kotcheff • Fr. • OF • 5-8 • Los Angeles, CA • The Marlborough School

2006: Stepped in as Notre Dame's starting centerfielder from day one ... will be out indefinitely after suffering a hand injury in game one at Syracuse ... steady on defense while finding her way offensively in 2006 ... has seen action in both the second and ninth spot in the Irish batting order ... has consistently produced since shifting to the second spot during spring break ... posted first multiple hit game of her career vs. Northern Iowa, going two for two with two RBI and two runs scored ... logged the first extra-base hit of her career at CS Fullerton, drilling a triple to the leftfield wall ... moved up to second in the lineup against Florida State and paid instant dividends, providing the game-winning RBI single up the middle in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory over the Seminoles ... also had an RBI single vs. #4 Texas ... three for four with three singles in game two at Western Michigan ... her single up the middle in the top of the eighth would have loaded the bases with one out, but was misplayed by the Bronco centerfielder and both Irish runs in the 2-1 victory scored on the play ... ended up two for five and scored the game-winning run in Notre Dame's 1-0, 11-inning victory over Bowling Green ... singled with one out in the bottom of the 11th and scored from first base on a double by Mallorie Lenn ... three for three in game one vs. Connecticut with two runs scored ... two for three with an RBI and run scored in game one vs. Providence ... with the scored tied at 0-0 in the bottom of the sixth inning in game two with Eastern Michigan, doubled to lead off the inning and eventually scored the game-winning run on an RBI single from teammate Meagan Ruthrauff ... one for two with a double in game one at Syracuse before leaving the contest after injuring her hand sliding into second base.

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	BB	OB%	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
	32-32															

Katie Laing • So. • 2B • 5-4 • Chandler, AZ • Corona del Sol H.S.

Career: Has been a starter at second base for the past two seasons ... tied the school record for single-season doubles (also held by current assistant coach Lizzy Lemire) with 17 in 2005 and is threatening that record again in '06 with 14 doubles so far ... 2005 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 NFCA Second Team All-Mideast Region ... capable of hitting for both average and power ... possesses great range at second base and is a consistent performer on defense.

2006: Two for two with a run scored, walk and stolen base against BYU ... ended up two for four with a run scored and double against UNLV ... also two for three with an RBI in game one against Florida International ... showed signs of breaking out of her season-long slump against CS Fullerton, crushing her first home run of the season to highlight a one for three performance ... two for three with a double against #10 Arizona State ... finished one for three with a two-run home run against #4 Texas at the Judi Garman Classic ... has shown signs of breaking out of her season-long slump since the beginning of the BIG EAST season ... two for three with a double, triple and three RBI in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... drove in three more runs and finished two for three in game two vs. Providence ... three for for five with a run scored in the doubleheader vs. Eastern Michigan ... two for five in game two at Syracuse, including two doubles and one RBI ... doubled to lead off the top of the 10th inning against the Orange and scored the game-winning run on teammate Carrisa Jaquish's home run ... finihsed two for five with a run scored in game two at Pittsburgh ... two for three with a two-RBI triple and double vs. Ball State (6-0 Irish victory) ... chipped in two hits and an RBI in the doubleheader sweep of DePaul (two for six overall) ... one for three with a double and RBI vs. Toledo ... moved up to the top of the lineup to sub for leadoff hitter Stephanie Brown vs. Rutgers ... ended up three for three in game two against the Scarlet Knights with two doubles and two runs scored ... one for four with an RBI double in the first inning during game one against Purdue ... doubled in her first two at bats against Valparaiso, driving in three runs and finishing the game two for four.

2006 S Avg. .278	Statistics: <u>GP-GS</u> 47-47	<u>AB</u> 151	<u>R</u> 14	<u>H</u> 42	<u>2B</u> 14	<u>3B</u> 3	<u>HR</u> 2	<u>RBI</u> 24	<u>Slg%</u> .450	<u>BB</u> 3	<u>OB%</u> .301	<u>SB-Att</u> 7-9	<u>PO</u> 93	<u>A</u> 107	<u>E</u> 5	<u>Fld%</u> .976
2006 I Avg. .333	BIG EAST S <u>GP-GS</u> 14-14	Statistic <u>AB</u> 48	es: <u>R</u> 6	<u>H</u> 16	<u>2B</u> 6	<u>3B</u> 1	<u>HR</u> 0-	<u>RBI</u> 10	<u>Slg%</u> .500	<u>BB</u> 0	<u>OB%</u> .333	<u>SB-Att</u> 2-3	<u>PO</u> 28	<u>A</u> 37	<u>E</u> 2	<u>Fld%</u> .970
Caree <u>Avg.</u> .294	r Statistics: <u>GP-GS</u> 108-106	<u>AB</u> 320	<u>R</u> 44	<u>H</u> 94	<u>2B</u> 31	3 <u>B</u>	<u>HR</u> 5	<u>RBI</u> 47	<u>Slg%</u> .463	<u>BB</u> 10	<u>OB%</u> .324	SB-Att 13-16	<u>PO</u> 213	<u>A</u> 184	<u>E</u> 12	<u>Fld%</u> .971

Mallorie Lenn • Sr. • C • 5-8 • Garden Grove, CA • Pacifica H.S.

Career: Has been a top option at starting catcher for the Irish since her freshman season ... a streaky hitter who has proven to be a tough out in postseason competition ... second all-time in Notre Dame history for put outs (1,235 currently) ... also ranks in the all-time top 10 at Notre Dame in home runs (seventh, 19) and RBI (10th, 104) ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-23-06)

2006: Has developed into a consistent RBI producer in the heart of Notre Dame's batting order ... the first three home run she hit this season have been multi-run shots (grand slam, two two-ruun home runs) ... crushed her first career grand slam in Notre Dame's victory over BYU ... ended up two for four with four RBI against the Cougars ... finished one for two with two walks against CS Fullerton at the UNLV Desert Classic ... finished three for seven in the doubleheader sweep at Cal Poly SLO ... finished two for three with a two-run home run vs. #4 Texas ... also launched a two-run home run vs. #6 Alabama at the Judi Garman Classic ... drilled a walk-off RBI double in the bottom of the 11th inning vs. Bowling Green, driving in Alexandra Kotcheff with the game-winning run ... finished two for three with three runs batted in and one double in game two vs. Providence (8-0 Irish victory) ... finished three for three in game one against Pittsburgh ... wrapped up the doubleheader against Pitt five for six at the plate with three runs scored, two RBI and three walks ... two for three with a double and run scored vs. Ball State ... broke game one against DePaul open with a two-RBI double in the fifth inning to put the Irish ahead to stay 2-0 ... singled and scored in game two and tacked on a big insurance run in the bottom of the sixth inning with a solo home run (her fourth of the season) ... finished the DePaul doubleheader three for seven with three RBI and two runs scored ... three for four with an RBI double at #17 Northwestern ... three for thre with two runs scored and solo home run in game one against Rutgers ... followed up with four RBI in game two against Rutgers, one on a fielder's choice, two on and RBI double and one on a sacrifice fly ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll for the first time in her career on Monday, April 23, hitting .474 during the week with seven RBI, two doubles and a home run ... continued her hot hitting in game one against Purdue, hitting a solo home run in the third inning ... came back in game two against the Boilers to go twofor three with an RBI double.

2006 5	Statistics:															
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.333	46-46	144	16	48	11	0	6	33	.535	9	.378	0-0	304	19	0	1.000
2006 I	BIG EAST S	tatistic	es:													
<u>Avg.</u>	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.422	14-14	45	10	19	4	0	2	15	.644	5	.471	0-0	81	5	0	1.000
Caree	r Statistics:															
<u>Avg.</u>	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.277	224-221	629	51	174	37	1	19	104	.429	40	.325	4-5	1235	93	9	.993

Stephanie Mola • Fr. • OF • 5-5 • Naples, FL • St. John Neumann H.S.

2006: Provides the Irish with depth in the outfield and a left-handed bat off the bench ... consistent at putting the ball in play as a pinch hitter ... made her first career appearance of the season against BYU (one AB) ... game off the bench in a key situation against #10 Arizona State ... led off the bottom of the seventh inning by reaching on a fielding error at third base and eventually scored on Stephanie Brown's walk-off two-run home run ... logged her first career hit in her first career start (at designated player) in game two at Western Michigan ... started her first career game in the defensive lineup against Bowling Green, finishing 0-3 ... started in the outfield in game two vs. Connecticut ... with the scored tied in the bottom of the eighth 1-1, singled and eventually scored the winning run on teammate Mallorie Lenn's RBI double ... posted first multiple hit game of her career at Syracuse in game two, going two for five with a run scored ... finished the doubleheader at Pittsburgh two for seven with her first career RBI in game one.

2006/	Career Stat	tistics:														
<u>Avg.</u>	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.200	19-11	40	4	8	0	0	0	2	.200	0	.200	0-2	5	0	1	.833
2006 I	BIG EAST S	Statistic	es:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	BB	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.269	10-8	26	2	7	0	0	0	1	.269	0	.269	0-0	5	0	1	.833

Beth Northway • Fr. • INF/OF • 5-7 • Kentwood, MI • East Kentwood H.S.

2006: Working back into the lineup from offseason shoulder surgery ... will see action in the outfield or infield once she returns to full strength ... has made 22 pinch running appearances, scoring six runs ... posted her first at bat in game two at Pittsburgh ... also received an at bat against Villanova in game one, coming through for her first career hit (a single to short-stop) and RBI.

2006/ Avg. .500	Career Stat <u>GP-GS</u> 25-0	tistics: AB 2	<u>R</u> 8	<u>H</u> 1	<u>2B</u> 0	3 <u>B</u>	<u>HR</u> 0	<u>RBI</u> 1	<u>Slg%</u> .500	<u>BB</u> 0	<u>OB%</u> .500	<u>SB-Att</u> 3-3	<u>PO</u> 0	<u>A</u> 0	<u>E</u> 0	<u>Fld%</u> .000
2006 H	BIG EAST S	Statistic	es:													
Avg.	GP-GS	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	Slg%	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.500	7-0	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	.500	0	.500	1-1	0	0	0	.000

Meagan Ruthrauff • Sr. • 1B/3B • 5-10 • La Mirada, CA • La Serna H.S.

Career: Started third season as Notre Dame's first base has shifted over to Notre Dame's starting third base since the end of Spring Break and performed well in the field ... has also seen time at DP, third base and shortstop during her career ... Notre Dame career leader in walks with 106 ... also ranks in the top 10 all-time in RBI (third, 152), home runs (fourth, 29), doubles (t-third, 45) and put outs (seventh, 804) ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team ... 2004 NFCA Second Team All-Mideast Region ... 2003 NFCA First Team All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team .

2006: A key contributor for the Irish both on offense and defense ... has made a successful switch to third base after starting the first 21 games of the season at first base ... earned three walks against BYU ... two for four with two double sand two RBI at UNLV ... hit first home run of the season against CS Fullerton ... one for three with an RBI and walk in game two against Florida International ... crushed a three-run home run in the top of the first inning vs. Northern Iowa ... two for four with an RBI single and double vs. Kansas ... two for three with a solo home run vs. #10 Arizona State, keying Notre Dame's eventual 3-2 upset victory ... drew two intentional walks in RBI situations against Bowling Green ... one for two with an RBI double in game one vs. Connecticut ... two for three in game one vs. Eastern Michigan ... exploded for nine hits and 10 RBI on Notre Dame's BIG EAST trip to Syracuse and Pittsburgh, earning the fifth BIG EAST Player of the Week award from the conference office ... one for two with and RBI and two walks (one intentional) at Syracuse in game one ... finished two for three with a run scored and RBI (along with two intentional walks) and a home run in game two at Syracuse ... two for three with two runs scored and RBI and solo home run in game one at Pittsburgh ... broke two Notre Dame long-standing records in game two at Pittsburgh ... became the first Irish player to hit three home runs in a single game, going four for five with seven RBI ... the seven RBI also set a school record for a single game ... scored three runs in the contest and hit home runs to all three fields (left, center and right) ... finished the weekend nine for 13 at the plate in BIG EAST play, scoring six runs and driving in 10 ... also was walked intentionally three times during the week ... two for three with an RBI single in game one against DePaul (5-0 Irish victory) ... two for three with two runs scored in Notre Dame's 5-0 win over Toledo ... kick started Notre Dame's three-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning in game one against Villanova with a solo home run to centerfield - the Irish eventually won the game 8-7 ... one for three with a two-RBI double in game two against Villanova ... combined with Mallorie Lenn to hit back-to-back home runs in the fifth inning against Rutgers in game one, leading to an 8-0, eight-run rule victory ... finished game one vs. Rutgers three for three with two runs scored and two RBI ... torched Purdue pitching in game one, going four for four at the plate with two runs scored, two doubles and two RBI ... the game one performance against Purdue was her second four-hit game of the year ... two for four with two RBI and a run scored at Valparaiso.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Player of the Week (4-9-06)

2006 S Avg. .346	Statistics: <u>GP-GS</u> 47-47	<u>AB</u> 133	<u>R</u> 26	<u>H</u> 46	<u>2B</u> 11	<u>3B</u> 0	<u>HR</u> 10	<u>RBI</u> 35	<u>Slg%</u> .654	<u>BB</u> 26	<u>OB%</u> .454	<u>SB-Att</u> 0-0	<u>PO</u> 140	<u>A</u> 59	<u>E</u> 1	<u>Fld%</u> .995
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Caree Avg. .311	r Statistics: <u>GP-GS</u> 231-230	<u>AB</u> 652	<u>R</u> 103	<u>H</u> 203	<u>2B</u> 45	<u>3B</u> 0	<u>HR</u> 29	<u>RBI</u> 152	<u>Slg%</u> .514	<u>BB</u> 106	<u>OB%</u> .413	<u>SB-Att</u> 4-4	<u>PO</u> 804	<u>A</u> 116	<u>E</u> 8	<u>Fld%</u> .991

Sara Schoonaert • Sr. • SS • 5-3 • Houston, TX • Clear Lake H.S.

Career: Third season as Notre Dame's starting shortstop ... consistent with the glove and starting to develop as an offensive threat in 2006 ... 2005 Third-Team All-BIG EAST.

2006: Has been consistent at the plate and with the glove so far this season ... two for four against BYU with a double, RBI and stolen base ... two for two in game two against Florida International with a double, walk and stolen base ... named to the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team ... two for four vs. #17 Nebraska ... posted third three-hit performance of her career against Kansas, going three for three with an RBI double, run scored and walk ... doubled and scored with one out in the top of the seventh inning against Stephen F. Austin, forcing the game into extra innings ... one for three with an RBI and single in game one at Western Michigan ... two for three with a double, RBI and run scored in game one vs. Connecticut ... finished the Providence doubleheader four for six at the plate with a run scored ... posted two hits in three consecutive games during BIG EAST play on April 8-9 ... two for five with two RBI, a double and stolen base at Syracuse in game two ... two for four with two RBI in game one at Pittsburgh ... capped off the doubleheader at Pitt four for nine with a two for five performance in game two, scoring two runs ... is currently adjusting to a move up the batting order to second with the injury loss of freshman Alexandra Kotcheff ... one for two with a run scored and two sacrifice hits in game one against DePaul ... one for three with a run scored in game two against the Blue Demons ... two for three with two singles and an RBI in a 5-0 victory over Toledo ... one for two with a run scored and sacrifice hit in game two vs. Villanova ... two for three with a run scored in a game-one, 8-0 victory over Rutgers.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther All-Tournament Team Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team

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<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	\underline{HR}	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	SB-Att	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	Fld%
.285	47-47	144	22	41	8	0	0	16	.340	13	.342	11-15	82	71	6	.962
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.252	225-179	469	82	118	21	5	0	49	.318	35	.306	27-41	300	253	31	.947

Sarah Smith • So. • OF • 5-7 • Oklahoma City, OK • Heritage Hall H.S.

2006: Returns as one of the team's top baserunner threats ... made her first career start in leftfield vs. Cal Poly SLO (game one) and posted her first career hit, finishing the game one for two ... also started in leftfield for the Irish at CS Fullerton ... picked up her third stolen base of the season vs. #4 Texas .. started in leftfield in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... also started in leftfield in game two against DePaul ... started game two vs. Rutgers and logged her second hit of the year, a solid single to centerfield ... picked up her first two-hit game of her career in game two against Purdue, going two for three with a run scored and RBI ... was also one for three at Valparaiso.

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