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2004 Schedule (44-14)

Feb.13	vs. Hawaii	W, 8-7
13	vs. (2/3) California	L, 1-2
14	vs. (8/8) Nebraska	W, 6-4
14	at UNLV	W, 3-1
15	vs. Portland State	W, 4-1
20	vs. Utah	W, 4-3
20	vs. Pacific	L, 1-12 (5)
21	vs. (8/8) Stanford	L, 2-4
21	vs. Team USA (exhib.)	L, 0-10
22	vs. (12/18) Tennessee	rained out
27	vs. NW State	W, 2-1
27	vs. (6/6) Georgia	L, 1-7
28	vs. (24/24) CS Fullerton	W, 5-4 (8)
28	vs. Princeton	W, 10-1 (6)
29	vs. (14/14) Nebraska	W, 1-0
29	vs. Georgia Tech	W, 2-1
Mar. 6	vs. Fla. International	L, 1-2
6	vs. Massachusetts	L, 2-4
7	vs. North Carolina	W, 2-0
7	at Florida Atlantic	W, 2-0
11	at (4/5) Florida State	L, 4-5 (10)
12	vs. (11/12) Michigan	L, 0-3
12	vs. Troy State	W, 3-1
13	vs. Georgia State	W, 3-2
13	vs. Maryland	W, 6-2
13	vs. Texas A&M	L, 1-2
14	vs. Penn State	W, 1-0
14	vs. Florida A&M	W, 8-0 (5)
20	East. Michigan (DH)	W, 2-0, W, 9-1 (6)
23	at Valparaiso	W, 9-0 (6)
25	Loyola (Chicago)	rained out
27	vs. Saint Louis	W, 4-3
27	vs. Indiana	W, 4-0
28	vs. Western Kentucky	W, 2-1
Apr. 1	at W. Michigan (DH)	L, 0-2, W, 5-1
2	Connecticut* (DH)	W, 9-1 (6), W, 10-0 (5)
4	Boston College* (DH)	W, 5-0, W, 7-1
6	Purdue (DH)	W, 4-2, L, 3-4 (8)
10	Syracuse* (DH)	W, 11-3 (5), W, 8-0 (5)
12	at (18/19) Nebraska	L, 0-1
13	at (18/19) Nebraska	W, 2-0
15	Illinois-Chicago	L, 3-4 (10)
18	Providence* (DH)	W, 1-0, W, 7-1
20	at Northwestern (DH)	rained out
22	at Illinois-Chicago	W, 8-0
24	at Villanova* (DH)	W, 4-0, W, 2-0
25	at Rutgers* (DH)	W, 8-5, W, 4-2
27	DePaul (DH)	L, 1-3, L, 2-1
30	Virginia Tech (DH)	W, 5-0, W, 9-1 (5)
May 2	Pittsburgh* (DH)	W, 8-0 (6), W, 9-0 (5)
8	at Seton Hall* (DH)	12 p.m.
9	at St. John's* (DH)	11 a.m.
13	&BIG EAST Championship	7 p.m.
14	&BIG EAST Championship	TBA
15	&BIG EAST Championship	TBA
20	NCAA Regionals	TBA

* ESPN.com/USA Softball ranking listed first, followed by NFCA Top 25 ranking • all contests are single game unless indicated for doubleheader (DH) • * - indicates BIG EAST Conference game & - 2004 BIG EAST Championship will be in Syracuse, N.Y.

2004 Notre Dame Softball

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#25/22 Notre Dame at Seton Hall, Saturday, May 8, 12 p.m. (DH)

#25/22 Notre Dame at St. John's, Sunday, May 9, 11 a.m. (DH)

Irish Quick Facts:

• Notre Dame hopes to keep its BIG EAST Conference record unblemished this weekend when it visits Seton Hall and St. John's.

• The Irish have already clinched the BIG EAST regular season title and number one seed in the BIG EAST Championship.

Irish hit the road for their final regular season contests of the season: The University of Notre Dame softball team (44-14, 16-0) heads to the east coast this weekend for its final four regular season contests of the 2004 season. The Irish, who have already locked up the BIG EAST regular season title and number one seed in the conference championship, are looking to post just their second perfect record in BIG EAST play since 1996 (the Irish went 20-0 in 2001).

Last week: Notre Dame moved to 16-0 in the BIG EAST with two dominating doubleheader sweeps over the weekend. The Irish defeated Virginia Tech 5-0 and 9-1 (5), then needed just 11 innings to take care of Pittsburgh 8-0 (6), 9-0 (5). Earlier in the week, Notre Dame lost game one to Midwest rival DePaul 3-1 before claiming a 2-1 victory in game two.

Irish earn highest ranking of the season: Notre Dame's run to 16-0 in the BIG EAST Conference has caught the eye of the voters in both national polls. The Irish initially debuted in the top 25 back on March 3, coming in at 23rd in the ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25 after winning the NFCA Leadoff Classic Silver Bracket Championship. Notre Dame eventually slipped out of both national polls before reappearing last week at #25 in the *USA Today*/NFCA poll.

The four conference victories and doubleheader split with DePaul moved the Irish into both polls for the first time this season. Notre Dame is currently 22nd in the *USA Today*/NFCA listing and 25th in the ESPN.com/USA Softball poll.

Heather Booth earns second BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year award: Junior righthander Heather Booth nabbed the second BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week award of the season on May 3, sharing the honor with St. John's Courtney Fitzgerald. Booth had a pair of complete-game shutouts in conference play last weekend, throwing 13 innings without allowing a run. She gave up just five hits while striking out 18 (nine in each contest).

Booth was previously named the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on March 1.

Cioli looking at .400: Junior centerfielder Megan Cioli is making a push to become the third Irish player to finish a season hitting over .400. Andrea Loman accomplished that feat last season (.402), along with Meghan Murray in '96 (.402) and '97 (.422). Cioli currently has 74 hits (fourth on the single-season list) and has a batting average of .413.

While the .413 number is impressive, Cioli also has a shot at the hits in a season record (the leader is Meghan Murray in '96 with 84) and the single-season stolen base record. The Terre Haute, Ind., native currently has 19, with Katie Marten ('96) holding the record at 21.

Irish enjoying life without the worries from school and finals: Typically, Notre Dame has entered the final week of conference play worrying about finals, then attempting to get them completed before taking off on Wednesday for the BIG EAST Championship.

This season, due to school ending early and the BIG EAST Championship having been pushed back one week, Notre Dame will be completely done with school and focused entirely on playing softball. For the last several years, the BIG EAST Championship week has been a battle of finishing finals, establishing living arrangements for the summer and trying to concentrate on softball.

Irish pitching staff putting up one of the best seasons ever: The Irish pitching

2004 Notre Dame Softball Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	HL	B/T	Hometown (High School)	Key Stats from '04
1	Steffany Stenglein**	Jr.	P	5-10	R/R	Huntington Beach, CA (Marina)	20-7, 1.52 ERA, 166 Ks
4	Carrie Wisen**	Jr.	P	5-7	R/R	Fullerton, CA (Sonora)	3-1, 15 APP, 2.96 ERA
5	Kenya Fuemmeler	Fr.	UT/P	5-7	R/R	Salisbury, MO (Salisbury)	1 APP, 38 GP
8	Liz Hartmann**	Jr.	3B	5-9	R/R	Novato, CA (San Marin)	.273, 8 HR, 30 RBI
9	Nicole deFau***	Sr.	OF	5-9	R/R	Southington, CT (Southington)	.307, 10 2B, 14 RBI
11	Gessica Hufnagle	Fr.	C	5-6	R/R	Middlebury, IN (Northridge)	.214, 40 GP, 2 RBI
16	Mallorie Lenn*	So.	C/DP	5-8	R/R	Garden Grove, CA (Pacifica)	.264, 4 HR, 25 RBI
20	Nicole Wicks	Jr.	OF	5-5	R/R	Renton, WA (Hazen)	.227, 7 2B, 14 RBI
21	Megan Ciolli**	Jr.	OF	5-9	L/R	Terre Haute, IN (North Vigo)	.413, 20 RBI, 19 SB
22	Sara Schoonaert*	So.	SS	5-5	R/R	Houston, TX (Clear Lake)	.191, 5 2B, 13 RBI
24	Stephanie Brown	Fr.	2B	5-6	L/R	Chandler, AZ (Corona Del Sol)	.288, 6 HR, 27 RBI
27	Carissa Jaquish	Fr.	DP/C	5-6	R/R	Highland, CA (Redlands E.V.)	.231, 12 RBI, 5 SB
32	Heather Booth*	So.	P	5-10	R/R	Riverside, CA (MLK)	21-6, 1.26 ERA, 198 Ks
44	Kellie Middleton*	So.	OF	5-6	R/R	Norcross, GA (Marist)	.391, 3 2B, 1 HR, 4 RBI
77	Meagan Ruthrauff*	So.	1B	5-10	R/R	La Mirada, CA (La Serna)	.318, 10 HR, 51 RBI

* - indicates monograms won

Staff

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '92) - third season at Notre Dame

Assistant Coaches: Charmelle Green (Utah '91), Kris Ganey (Notre Dame '99)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Roggeman • Team Trainer: Chantal Porter • Team Manager: Melanie Ball

staff, featuring arguably the top two pitchers in the BIG EAST Conference in Steffany Stenglein and Heather Booth, is compiling one of the best seasons in Notre Dame softball history. The team ERA stands at 1.51 as of May 5, which would rank seventh all time and the best since 2001 (where the Irish posted a team record 0.89). Stenglein and Booth are also making their presence felt on the single-season record book. Booth is currently third in games started (30), with Stenglein close behind at 28 (fifth). Booth's 21 victories are sixth on the all-time list, followed closely once again in seventh place by Stenglein's 20.

Booth has a chance at the single-season complete games record this weekend, as her 25 are currently third, just two behind record holder Jennifer Sharron (27 in '00). Stenglein is seventh on the complete games list with 18.

The strong numbers continue in shutouts, as Booth has 10 (fifth on the single season list) and Stenglein five (ninth). Both pitchers could also finish in the top 10 for innings pitched in a season.

Finally, the winning percentage by both pitchers rank in the top 10. Booth at 21-6 (.778) is seventh, with Stenglein in 10th (20-7, .740).

BIG EAST pitching dominance: While the Irish pitching staff has received some deserved attention for its overall marks this season, their statistics in the BIG EAST Conference are even more impressive. Entering the final weekend of conference play, the Irish have allowed just 11 earned runs for a staff ERA of 0.77 in conference competition. Both Heather Booth and Steffany Stenglein are 8-0, with Stenglein's 0.64 ERA just a bit better than Booth's 0.95. Stenglein has struck out 50 batters in 44.0 innings, with Booth matching the 50 in 51.2 innings. The entire Irish staff (with Carrie Wisen adding 4.1 innings) has posted 11 shutouts and allowed just 59 hits (3.7 per game).

BIG EAST offensive dominance: The Notre Dame pitching staff has been outstanding, but Notre Dame's offense has been equally impressive this season in conference competition. Notre Dame is hitting .368 in conference play, against just .170 for their opposition.

The statistical differential continues across the board, with Notre Dame driving in 94 runs (vs. 10 for their opponents), hitting 11 home runs (two for opponents)

NOTRE DAME SPORTS INFORMATION

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

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

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

2004 ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25 - May 4

Rnk-Team, Points, '04 Record, last ranking			
1. Arizona (19)	499	48-3	1
2. Florida State (1)	470	52-5	2
3. UCLA	452	34-7	4
4. LSU	446	46-8	3
5. California	414	40-11	5
6. Stanford	398	40-13	7
7. Michigan	360	46-9	6
8. Washington	359	34-12	8
9. La.-Lafayette	353	48-6	9
10. Oregon	307	35-14	11
11. Tennessee	299	49-12	12
12. Georgia	270	46-14	10
13. Alabama	248	39-16	14
14. Nebraska	246	38-13	13
15. Fresno State	210	44-15	15
16. Auburn	208	38-13	17
17. Oregon State	184	39-21	16
18. South Florida	149	50-10	18
19. Long Beach St.	122	43-10	21
20. Oklahoma	121	37-17-1	19
21. Florida	118	40-16	20
22. Baylor	73	43-13	22
Georgia Tech	73	41-13	23
24. Texas A&M	51	31-18	24
25. NOTRE DAME	36	44-14	NR

Others receiving votes: Pacific (12), Florida Atlantic (6), Iowa (4), Louisville (3), South Carolina (2), Northwestern (2), Southern Illinois (2), Massachusetts (2), Southern Mississippi (1).

2004 opponents in bold.
() - first place votes

Notre Dame in the 2004 ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25

Preseason: ORV
Feb. 10: ORV
Feb. 17: ORV (26th)
Feb. 24: ORV (29th)
Mar. 3: 23rd
Mar. 10: ORV (28th)
Mar. 17: ORV (29th)
Mar. 24: ORV (30th)
Mar. 31: ORV (29th)
Apr. 7: NR
Apr. 12: ORV (28th)
Apr. 19: ORV (30th)
Apr. 26: ORV (26th)
May 4: 25th

and posting 148 hits (vs. 59 for their opponents).

Megan Ciolli leads the way with an eye-popping .510 batting average in conference play. Senior Nicole deFau is close behind at .479 (with five doubles, two triple and two home runs). In run production, Meagan Ruthrauff has driven in 16, followed by Stephanie Brown with 15 and Mallorie Lenn with 13.

The Irish also have stole 24 bases, compared to just six for the opposition.

BIG EAST Championship switched to Syracuse, N.Y. for 2004: The 2004 BIG EAST Championship will be hosted by Syracuse University this season. During the previous two seasons, the BIG EAST Championship was held in Roanoke, Va., but a schedule change dictated a return to campus sites for the BIG EAST Championship.

Championship Schedule:

Thursday, May 13

Game 1: No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 - 5:00 p.m.
Game 2: Notre Dame vs. No. 4 - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 14

Game 3: Winner game 1 vs.
Winner game 2 - 3:00 p.m.
Game 4: Loser game 1 vs.
Loser game 2 - 5:00 p.m.
Game 5: Loser game 3 vs.
Winner game 4 - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 15

Game 6: Winner game 3 vs.
Winner game 5 - 1:00 p.m.
Game 7: Same teams if necessary -
3:00 p.m.

A look at the possibilities of the BIG EAST Championship field: Notre Dame (16-0, 32 points) and Villanova (12-8, 24 points) have already locked up two spots in the BIG EAST Championship - which features the top four teams from the regular season conference standings. The Irish also are assured the top seed, but this weekend's conference competition will determine the other three spots in the championship - which will be held at Syracuse.

Providence, whose regular season is completed, will need some help over the

2004 USA Today/NFCA Division I Top 25 - May 4

Rnk-Team, Points, '04 Record, last ranking			
1. Arizona (24)	600	48-3	1
2. Florida State	571	52-5	2
3. UCLA	54	34-7	3
4. California	424	40-11	4
5. LSU	413	46-9	5
6. Washington	457	34-12	7
7. Stanford	455	40-13	9
8. Michigan	413	46-9	6
9. La.-Lafayette	407	48-6	10
10. Georgia	380	46-14	8
11. Tennessee	353	49-12	12
12. Oregon	347	35-14	11
13. Nebraska	321	38-14	13
14. Fresno State	286	44-15	14
15. Auburn	255	38-13	15
16. Alabama	246	39-16	16
17. South Florida	211	50-10	17
18. Long Beach St.	184	43-10	19
19. Oregon State	140	39-21	18
20. Baylor	128	43-13	21
21. Oklahoma	127	37-17-1	20
22. NOTRE DAME	87	44-14	25
23. Texas A&M	85	31-18	23
24. Florida	54	40-15	22
25. Georgia Tech	35	41-13	NR

Others receiving votes: Florida Atlantic (26), Pacific (17), Tulsa (14), Louisville (12), Central Florida (6), Texas A&M Corpus Christi (3), Southern Illinois (3).

2004 opponents in bold.
() - first place votes

Notre Dame in the 2004 USA Today/NFCA Division I Top 25

Preseason: ORV
Feb. 18: ORV (27th)
Feb. 25: ORV (t-36th)
Mar. 3: ORV (26th)
Mar. 10: ORV (29th)
Mar. 17: ORV (t-31st)
Mar. 24: ORV (t-32nd)
Mar. 31: ORV (t-31st)
Apr. 7: ORV (30th)
Apr. 12: ORV (28th)
Apr. 19: ORV (27th)
Apr. 26: 25th
May 4: 22nd

2004 BIG EAST Conference Standings (as of May 3)

Team	BIG EAST					OVERALL					vs. ND
	W-L	Pts.	H	A	W-L-T	Pct.	H	A	N		
NOTRE DAME%^	16-0	32	12-0	4-0	44-14-0	.759	16-3	9-3	19-8		
Villanova%	12-8	24	6-4	6-4	30-21-0	.588	15-5	8-6	7-10	W, 4-0, W, 2-0	
Providence	10-10	20	7-5	3-5	34-20-1	.627	9-6-1	13-9	11-6	W, 1-0, W, 7-1	
Seton Hall	9-7	18	2-4	7-3	38-16-0	.704	6-4	18-6	14-6	May 8 (away)	
Boston College	9-9	18	3-3	6-6	30-21-0	.588	8-5	11-9	11-7	W, 5-0, W, 7-1	
Virginia Tech	9-11	18	6-4	3-7	34-22-0	.607	13-6	4-10	17-7	W, 5-0, 9-1 (5)	
St. John's	8-8	16	3-1	5-7	26-24-0	.520	9-3	9-14	8-7	May 9 (away)	
Syracuse	8-8	16	7-3	1-5	24-26-0	.480	9-5	5-9	10-12	W, 11-3 (5), W, 8-0 (5)	
Rutgers	8-12	16	4-7	3-5	26-29-1	.473	7-10-1	9-11	9-8	W, 8-5, W, 4-2	
Connecticut	6-12	12	3-5	3-7	23-23-0	.500	8-5	7-11	8-7	W, 9-1 (6), W, 10-0 (5)	
Pittsburgh	3-13	6	3-5	0-8	20-33-0	.377	6-6	2-14	12-13	W, 8-0 (6), W, 9-0 (5)	

Note: As voted by the head softball coaches, the BIG EAST softball standings will be determined by a 2/1 points system. Two points will be awarded for a conference win, one point for a tie and no points for a loss. Conference competition began the weekend of April 1-2. % - Clinched BIG EAST Championship berth. ^ - BIG EAST Regular Season Champion

BIG EAST Weekly Awardwinners

Player of the Week

Feb. 23 - Jo Sherlick, SJU

Kelly Brown, VT

March 1 - Meagan Ruthrauff, ND

March 8 - Megan Antonucci, RU

March 15 - Tanya Rose, SU

March 22 - Tanya Rose, SU

March 29 - Meagan Ruthrauff, ND

Ricci Lugo, VU

April 5 - Michelle Willette, PC

April 12 - Nicole Wicks ND

Jenna Macchi, BC

April 19 - Megan Ciolli, ND

Nikki Childress, RU

April 26 - Nicole deFau, ND

May 3 - Laura Taylor, SHU

Britney Thompson, BC

Pitcher of the Week

Feb. 23 - Megan Meyer, SHU

March 1 - Heather Booth, ND

March 8 - Megan Meyer, SHU

March 15 - Megan Meyer, SHU

Rachel Pacheco, VT

March 22 - Jessica Gurney, UC

March 29 - Steffany Stenglein, ND

April 5 - Steffany Stenglein, ND

April 12 - Shannon Williams, VU

April 19 - Megan Meyer, SHU

Jessica Gurney, UC

April 26 - Steffany Stenglein, ND

Tekae Malandris, BC

May 3 - Heather Booth, ND

Courtney Fitzgerald, SJU

weekend. At 10-10 in the league (20 points), they can be caught by Seton Hall (9-7), Boston College (9-9), St. John's (8-8) or Syracuse (8-8).

Scenarios to make the championship:
Providence: Needs Syracuse to sweep both doubleheaders this weekend and Pittsburgh to defeat Boston College twice.

Seton Hall: Needs to split their doubleheaders this weekend (go 2-2) and win tie breakers. Three wins would guarantee a spot.

Boston College: Needs to sweep Pittsburgh, then tie breakers.

St. John's: Needs to win three games this weekend, then tie breakers.

Syracuse: Controls its own destiny - needs to win all four games to get in.

The first BIG EAST tie breaker is head to head competition, followed by record against the number one seed (followed by the number two seed, etc.).

In short, Providence, Seton Hall, Boston College, St. John's and Syracuse all have a shot to appear in the BIG EAST Championship.

Notre Dame's BIG EAST regular season title is its ninth straight since entering the league: The Irish claimed their sixth straight overall BIG EAST regular season crown over the weekend, but Notre Dame has earned a share of a regular season title each season it has been in the BIG EAST Conference. In 1996, '97 and '98, the BIG EAST was split into a north and south division - with the Irish winning south

NOTRE DAME

PROBABLE STARTERS

C: Mallorie Lenn, So., R/R

1B: Meagan Ruthrauff, So., R/R

2B: Stephanie Brown, Fr., R/R

SS: Sara Schoonaert, So, R/R

3B: Liz Hartmann, Jr., R/R

CF: Megan Ciolli, So., L/R

RF: Nicole Wicks, Jr., R/R

LF: Nicole deFau, Sr., R/R

DP: Carissa Jaquish, Fr., R/R

or Carrie Wisen, Jr., R/R

P: Heather Booth, So., R/R

or Steffany Stenglein, Jr., R/R

Reserves:

P/DP: Carrie Wisen, Jr., R/R

P/UT: Kenya Fuemmeler, Fr., R/R

C: Gessica Hufnagle, Fr., R/R

OF: Kellie Middleton, So., R/R

Pronunciation Guide:

Megan *Ciolli*: See-OH-lee

Nicole *deFau*: duh-FOE

Kenya *Fuemmeler*: Fehmm-ler

Carissa *Jaquish*: JAY-kwish

Meagan *Ruthrauff*: Rooth-ROFF

Sara *Schoonaert*: SCOON-ert

Steffany *Stenglein*: Steng-LINE

Carrie *Wisen*: WISS-en

Notre Dame Statistical Leaders

Batting Average	
Ciolti413
Ruthrauff318
deFau307

Hits	
Ciolti	74
Brown	55
deFau	50

RBI	
Ruthrauff	51
Hartmann	30
Brown	27

Home Runs	
Ruthrauff	10
Hartmann	8
Brown	6

Stolen Bases	
Ciolti	19
deFau	14
Brown	10

Slugging Percentage	
Ruthrauff558
Ciolti508
Hartmann491

On Base Percentage	
Ciolti447
Ruthrauff446
deFau380

Pitching Record	
Booth	21-6 (.778)
Stenglein	20-7 (.740)
Wisn	3-1

ERA	
Booth	1.26
Stenglein	1.52
Wisn	2.96

Strikeouts	
Booth	198
Stenglein	166
Wisn	24

Innings Pitched	
Booth	199.1
Stenglein	161.1
Wisn	28.1
Fuemmeler	0.2

Appearances	
Booth	30
Stenglein	28
Wisn	15
Fuemmeler	1

division titles all three seasons. That give the Irish nine-straight BIG EAST regular season titles.

Series history with Seton Hall: Notre Dame and Seton Hall will be meeting for the 24th and 25th time this weekend ... the Irish lead the all-time series 22-1, with Seton Hall's lone victory coming in the 2001 BIG EAST Championship ... the Irish are 8-0 at Cameron Field.

Seton Hall team analysis: Seton Hall enters the final weekend looking to secure a spot in the BIG EAST Championship ... the Pirates are 38-16 on the season and 9-7 in BIG EAST play ... Katie Pierce leads the team in hitting with a .340 average, four home runs and 25 RBI (she also has 25 stolen bases) ... Laura Taylor provides the power in the lineup, with 13 home runs and 35 RBI this season ... Megan Meyer has been among the top pitchers in the BIG EAST this season, boasting a 1.03 ERA, 20-6 record and 204 strikeouts ... Casey McDevitt (2.41 ERA, 9-6) and Jessica Jones (2.48 ERA, 9-4) are also available in the pitching circle.

Series history with St. John's: Notre Dame and St. John's will be meeting for the 17th and 18th time this weekend ... the Irish lead the all-time series 16-0 ... St. John's will enter this weekend's play with a shot at the BIG EAST Championship ... Notre Dame is 6-0 at the Red Storm Field.

St. John's team analysis: St. John's will face Syracuse on Saturday, with their eligibility for the BIG EAST Championship on the line ... two wins vs. the Orangewomen will provide the Red Storm with motivation for the two games with the Irish ... St. John's is 26-24 this season and 8-8 in the BIG EAST ... Jo Sherlock and Christina Tucker have combined for 82 RBI and 25 home runs this season ... Sherlock is hitting .414, while Tucker is at .379 ... Courtney Fitzgerald (15-3, 1.37 ERA) and Brittany Crouch (7-14, 2.90 ERA) have seen a majority of the pitching action for the Red Storm this season.

Notre Dame reaches the 40-win plateau for the fifth time in the last six seasons: With Notre Dame's victory in game two of the doubleheader with DePaul, the Irish reached the 40-win mark for

Notre Dame Season Bests Individual

Hits	4	Ciolti	twice
Runs	3	seven times	
RBI	5	Ruthrauff	twice
2B	1	75 times	
3B	2	Wicks	vs. Syracuse
HR	2	Hartmann	vs. Neb. (2-14)
TB	9	Hartmann	vs. Neb. (2-14)
BB	2	16 times	
SB	2	eight times	
PO	14	Jaquish	vs. E. Michigan
	14	Lenn	at Valparaiso
Ass.	6	Schoonaert	at Rutgers
IP	9.2	Booth	vs. Florida State
SO	14	Stenglein	at Valparaiso

Team

AB	39	vs. Florida State
Runs	11	vs. Syracuse
Hits	14	vs. UConn
RBI	10	vs. Princeton
	10	vs. UConn
2B	4	three times
3B	2	vs. Syracuse
HR	3	twice
TB	26	at Valparaiso
BB	8	vs. Purdue
SB	6	vs. Princeton
PO	30	vs. UIC
Ass.	13	vs. UIC
IP	10.0	vs. UIC
SO	14	vs. Valparaiso

Miscellaneous Stats

Multiple Hit Games

20 - Ciolti
14 - Ruthrauff
13 - Brown
13 - deFau

Multiple RBI Games

13 - Ruthrauff
8 - Hartmann, Brown

Hitting Streaks

Longest of season -
10 - Ciolti (4-24 -)
8 - Ciolti (3-14 - 4-2)
6 - three times

Longest active -
10 - Ciolti (4-24 -)

2004 Notre Dame Softball Results

Date	Opponent	Score	RHE-RHE	Inn.	Overall-BIG EAST	Pitcher	GW Run/GW RBI
2-13	vs. Hawaii	W 8-7	8/12/3-7/10/2	7	1-0 0-0	Wisén (1-0)	Hartmann/Middleton
2-13	vs. #2/3 Cal	L 1-2	1/7/2-2/4/1	7	1-1 0-0	Stenglein (0-1)	-
2-14	vs. #8/8 Nebraska	W 6-4	6/13/2-4/5/2	7	2-1 0-0	Wisén (2-0)	Brown/Hartmann
2-14	vs. UNLV	W 3-1	3/6/2-1/5/0	7	3-1 0-0	Stenglein (1-1)	Brown/Middleton
2-15	vs. Portland State	W 4-1	4/9/3-1/5/2	7	4-1 0-0	Booth (1-0)	Hartmann/Hartmann
2-20	vs. Utah	W 4-3	4/5/0-3/8/2	7	5-1 0-0	Booth (2-0)	Middleton/-
2-20	vs. Pacific	L 1-12	1/1/3-12/11/0	5	5-2 0-0	Stenglein (1-2)	-
2-21	vs. #8 Stanford	L 2-4	2/7/2-4/4/2	7	5-3 0-0	Booth (2-1)	-
2-22	vs. Team USA (exhib.)	L 0-10	0/1/1-10/9/0	6	n/a n/a	n/a	n/a
2-27	vs. Northwestern St.	W 2-1	2/5/1-1/6/1	7	6-3 0-0	Booth (3-1)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
2-27	vs. #6/6 Georgia	L 1-7	1/1/0-7/9/1	7	6-4 0-0	Stenglein (1-3)	-
2-28	vs. #24/24 CS Fuller.	W 5-4	5/6/2-4/7/0	8	7-4 0-0	Booth (4-1)	Schoonaert/-
2-28	vs. Princeton	W 10-1	10/12/0-1/5/0	6	8-4 0-0	Stenglein (2-3)	Wicks/Ciolfi
2-29	vs. #14/14 Nebraska	W 1-0	1/5/0-0/4/2	7	9-4 0-0	Booth (5-1)	Schoonaert/-
2-29	vs. Georgia Tech	W 2-1	2/6/0-1/5/0	7	10-4 0-0	Stenglein (3-3)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
3-6	vs. Florida Int'l	L 1-2	1/5/0-2/6/1	7	10-5 0-0	Booth (5-2)	-
3-6	vs. Massachusetts	L 2-4	2/8/3-4/4/1	7	10-6 0-0	Stenglein (3-4)	-
3-7	vs. North Carolina	W 2-0	2/5/0-0/3/3	7	11-6 0-0	Stenglein (4-4)	Ciolfi/Hartmann
3-7	vs. Florida Atlantic	W 2-0	2/7/0-0/1/1	7	12-6 0-0	Booth (6-2)	Wicks/Lenn
3-11	at #4/5 Florida State	L 3-4	3/9/1-4/11/3	10	12-7 0-0	Booth (6-3)	-
3-12	vs. #11/12 Michigan	L 0-3	0/0/0-3/4/0	7	12-8 0-0	Stenglein (4-5)	-
3-12	vs. Troy State	W 3-1	3/9/0-1/3/0	7	13-8 0-0	Booth (7-3)	Brown/Ruthrauff
3-13	vs. Georgia State	W 3-2	3/8/0-2/1/1	8	14-8 0-0	Wisén (3-0)	Ciolfi/Hartmann
3-13	vs. Maryland	W 6-2	6/12/0-2/5/0	7	15-8 0-0	Booth (8-3)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
3-13	vs. Texas A&M	L 1-2	1/2/0-2/6/1	7	15-9 0-0	Stenglein (4-6)	-
3-14	vs. Penn State	W 1-0	1/2/0-0/2/3	7	16-9 0-0	Booth (9-3)	Ruthrauff/-
3-14	vs. Florida A&M	W 8-0	8/8/3-0/1/3	5	17-9 0-0	Stenglein (5-6)	Jaquish/Ciolfi
3-20	vs. Eastern Michigan	W 2-0	2/5/0-0/2/2	7	18-9 0-0	Booth (10-3)	Ciolfi/-
3-20	vs. Eastern Michigan	W 9-0	9/13/0-1/4/2	6	19-9 0-0	Stenglein (6-6)	Lenn/Lenn
3-23	at Valparaiso	W 9-1	9/13/0-0/0/2	6	20-9 0-0	Stenglein (7-6)	deFau/Ruthrauff
3-27	vs. Saint Louis	W 4-3	4/7/1-3/6/1	7	21-9 0-0	Stenglein (8-6)	Hartmann/Hartmann
3-27	at Indiana	W 4-0	4/5/0-0/2/5	7	22-9 0-0	Booth (11-3)	Ruthrauff/Ruthrauff
3-28	vs. Western Kentucky	W 2-1	2/5/1-1/6/0	7	23-9 0-0	Booth (12-3)	Ciolfi/Ciolfi
4-1	at Western Michigan	L 0-2	0/1/0-2/7/1	7	23-10 0-0	Booth (12-4)	-
4-1	at Western Michigan	W 5-1	5/9/1-1/4/0	7	24-10 0-0	Stenglein (9-6)	deFau/Lenn
4-2	Connecticut	W 9-1	9/14/0-1/5/0	6	25-10 1-0	Booth (13-4)	Brown/Ciolfi
4-2	Connecticut	W 10-0	10/8/1-0/2/2	5	26-10 2-0	Stenglein (10-6)	deFau/Ruthrauff
4-4	Boston College	W 5-0	5/6/1-0/2/3	7	27-10 3-0	Booth (14-4)	Ciolfi/-
4-4	Boston College	W 7-1	7/8/1-1/1/3	7	28-10 4-0	Stenglein (11-6)	deFau/Ruthrauff
4-6	Purdue	W 4-2	4/6/0-2/7/3	7	29-10 3-0	Booth (15-4)	Schoonaert/Wicks
4-6	Purdue	L 3-4	3/5/1-4/7/1	8	29-11 3-0	Stenglein (11-7)	-
4-10	Syracuse	W 11-3	11/11/2-3/4/2	5	30-11 5-0	Booth (16-4)	Wicks/Brown
4-10	Syracuse	W 8-0	8/10/0-0/2/2	5	31-11 6-0	Stenglein (12-7)	deFau/Ruthrauff
4-12	at #18 Nebraska	L 0-1	0/1/0-1/2/1	7	31-12 6-0	Booth (16-5)	-
4-13	at #18 Nebraska	W 2-0	2/4/0-0/5/2	7	32-12 6-0	Stenglein (13-7)	Schoonaert/-
4-15	UIC	L 3-4	3/8/0-4/11/2	10	32-13 6-0	Wisén (3-1)	-
4-18	Providence	W 1-0	1/6/0-0/3/2	7	33-13 7-0	Booth (17-5)	Hartmann/Schoonaert
4-18	Providence	W 7-1	7/11/0-1/4/2	7	34-13 8-0	Stenglein (14-7)	Schoonaert/-
4-22	at UIC	W 8-0	8/7/1-0/3/4	7	35-13 8-0	Stenglein (15-7)	Ruthrauff/Wicks
4-24	at Villanova	W 4-0	4/8/1-0/5/0	7	36-13 9-0	Booth (18-5)	Jaquish/deFau
4-24	at Villanova	W 2-0	2/7/0-0/4/0	7	37-13 10-0	Stenglein (16-7)	Fuemmeler/Jaquish
4-25	at Rutgers	W 8-5	8/12/2-5/10/1	7	38-13 11-0	Booth (19-5)	Hufnagle/-
4-25	at Rutgers	W 4-2	4/9/1-2/6/0	7	39-13 12-0	Stenglein (17-7)	Brown/Ciolfi
4-27	DePaul	L 1-3	1/5/2-3/4/2	7	39-14 12-0	Booth (19-6)	-
4-27	DePaul	W 2-1	2/7/0-1/5/1	7	40-14 12-0	Stenglein (18-7)	Schoonaert/Brown
4-30	Virginia Tech	W 5-0	5/6/2-0/1/1	7	41-14 13-0	Booth (20-6)	Fuemmeler/Hartmann
4-30	Virginia Tech	W 9-1	9/9/0-1/4/2	5	42-14 14-0	Stenglein (19-7)	Brown/Ciolfi
5-2	Pittsburgh	W 8-0	8/13/0-0/4/2	6	43-14 15-0	Booth (21-6)	deFau/Ruthrauff
5-2	Pittsburgh	W 9-0	9/10/0-0/2/2	5	44-14 16-0	Stenglein (20-7)	Fuemmeler/-

the fifth time in the last six seasons. Notre Dame has achieved the 40-win mark eight times in the program's history and have appeared in the NCAA Championship each season that has occurred.

Notre Dame has nine 10-plus RBI producers: The 2004 Irish have nine players who have driven in at least 10 runs this season - which ties the 2001 season for second place all-time. The 1994 season saw 10 Irish players drive in at least 10 runs.

So far in '04, Meagan Ruthrauff has posted 51 RBI, followed by Liz Hartmann (30), Stephanie Brown (27), Mallorie Lenn (25), Megan Ciolli (20), Nicole Wicks (14) and Nicole deFau (14), Sara Schoonaert (13) and Carissa Jaquish (12).

Ruthrauff posting one of the top offensive campaigns in school history: Sophomore Meagan Ruthrauff, who leads the Irish in home runs (10) and RBI (51) is compiling one of the top single-season offensive performances in Notre Dame softball history. With at least six games remaining (four this weekend, at least two in the BIG EAST Championship), she has already put her name on three of the top five lists for single season offensive numbers.

Jarrah Myers is the single-season home run leader with 13 - Ruthrauff currently has 10, which is good for third all-time (Myers and Andrea Loman are second with 12).

Melanie Alkire is the single-season RBI leader with 64 - a mighty number that will be hard to match, but Ruthrauff is currently second on the all-time list with 51. She is just the second Irish player to drive in 50 runs in a single season.

Ruthrauff already has set the single season record for walks, as she has been issued a free pass 33 times this season.

Stenglein on a roll in the pitching circle: Steffany Stenglein will bring a 9-0 record in her last nine starts into this weekend's action. Over that stretch, she boasts a 9-0 record, 0.70 ERA, 51 Ks in 40.1 IP, allowed just five earned runs and posted four complete games.

Stenglein's last loss came to Purdue in eight innings on April 6.

Freshman home run record in serious jeopardy: Junior Liz Hartmann slammed seven home runs during her rookie season in 2002 to set the school mark for round trippers by a freshman - and teammate Stephanie Brown has that record in sight for 2004. Brown has already sent six balls out of the park this year and needs just two more to break Hartmann's mark.

Booth - Stenglein looking to become the second tandem to reach the 200-strikeout barrier: Sophomore Heather Booth (198) and junior Steffany Stenglein (166) are in the running to become just the second set of Irish pitchers to post 200 strikeouts in the same season. Kristin Schmidt (247) and Jennifer Sharron (224) accomplished the feat in 2001.

Booth and Stenglein join Schmidt and Sharron as the only duo to each post 150 strikeouts in the same season.

Hartmann continues trek up the all-time home run list: Junior Liz Hartmann, who still has one full year of eligibility left, has the Notre Dame all-time home run record in reach. She has 24 entering this weekend's action (seven as a freshman, nine as a sophomore, eight currently as a junior) and sits in fifth place on the all-time top five for home runs at Notre Dame. The top five:

1. Jarrah Myers (1999-2002), 36
2. Andrea Loman (2000-03), 31
3. Melanie Alkire (1998-2001), 30
4. Sara Hayes (1992-95), 26
5. Liz Hartmann (2002-current), 24

Many of Hartmann's home runs have come in dramatic fashion - see the "Homers in the clutch" note later in this package.

Games played records will fall in 2004: Notre Dame has already played 58 games this season - and have at four regular-season games scheduled for the rest of the season (plus at least two in the BIG EAST Championship). That would give the '04 Irish 64 games played before a possible spot in the NCAA regionals. The record for games played in a season is 65 by the 1992 squad. The individual games played

record also will fall this season, with Megan Ciolli, Meagan Ruthrauff, Heather Brown, Nicole deFau and Sara Schoonaert all appearing in 58 games so far for Notre Dame.

Irish hit 40 games on April 6 for the second time in school history: Notre Dame completed its 40th game on April 6 vs. Purdue, matching the 1996 team as the fastest to reach the 40-games played mark.

Notre Dame's 29-11 record matches the '03 team as the fourth-best in school history over the first 40 games of the year:

- 1996: 30-10
- 2000: 31-9
- 2001: 37-3
- 2003: 29-11
- 2004: 29-11

Homers in the clutch: The Deanna Gumpf era at Notre Dame has provided some of the most memorable clutch home runs in Irish history. Over the past three seasons, Notre Dame has claimed an upset victory on the road (vs. #4 Nebraska, 2002), an amazing comeback victory on the road (vs. La.-Lafayette, 2003), a BIG EAST Championship (vs. Villanova, 2003) and two first-weekend come-from-behind victories (at the UNLV Classic this season) via dramatic home runs.

Liz Hartmann has played a role in three of the memorable moments. In 2002, her three-run blast in the top of the seventh pushed Notre Dame to a 3-2 victory over #4 Nebraska at the Cornhuskers' dedication of their new field in Lincoln. Last season, Hartmann tied the school record for home runs in a single game with two shots vs. La.-Lafayette. Her first against the Lady Cajuns tied up the game in the seventh inning (after Notre Dame had rallied from a 5-1 deficit) and then ended the game in the ninth inning on a three-run round tripper.

Hartmann hit yet another game winning home run vs. Saint Louis at the Hoozier Invitational, launching a solo shot in the sixth inning to provide the winning margin (4-3 victory).

The 2003 BIG EAST Championship was claimed on a walk off home run by '03 graduate Andrea Loman, who smashed

a solo shot in the bottom of the ninth.

During the UNLV Classic on the first weekend of competition for the Irish this season, the team utilized four clutch home runs to secure two victories. Sophomore Kellie Middleton launched a two-run shot to complete Notre Dame's rally from a 7-4 deficit to defeat Hawaii 8-7. The next day, freshman Stephanie Brown completed another Irish rally with a two-run shot in the top of the seventh vs. #8/8 Nebraska - followed by another two-run shot by Hartmann to claim the winning margin. Hartmann had previously cut the Cornhusker lead down to 4-2 with a two-run homer in the fifth.

Notre Dame has faced loaded schedule: The University of Notre Dame softball team prides itself on taking on the best in the nation. During the first five weeks of the season, the Irish travel around the country, taking part in several of the top tournaments. So far in 2004, according to the latest national polls, Notre Dame has faced several ranked teams - with 10 currently ranked teams combined with some that have been in and out of the top 25.

- #2/3 California (L, 1-2) - now ranked #5/4

- #6/6 Georgia, (L, 1-7) - now ranked #12/10

- #11/12 Michigan (L, 0-3) - now ranked #7/8

- #8/8 Nebraska (W, 6-4), now ranked #14/13

- #14/14 Nebraska (W, 1-0), now ranked #14/13

- #8/8 Stanford (L, 2-4), now ranked #6/7

- #24/24 CS Fullerton (W, 5-4), now unranked

- #4/6 Florida State (L, 3-4 - 10 innings), now ranked #2/2

- NR Pacific (L, 1-12), was ranked in the top 25 until last week

- NR Georgia Tech (W, 2-1), now ranked #22/25

- NR Texas A&M, now ranked #24/#23

- #18/18 Nebraska (L, 0-1), now ranked #14/13

- #18/18 Nebraska (W, 2-0), now ranked #14/13

The Irish also have faced DePaul, Florida Atlantic, Hawaii and Massachusetts who have all appeared in the top 25 (or received votes) at some point this season.

Head coach Deanna Gumpf: The 2004 season marks Notre Dame head coach Deanna Gumpf's third at the helm of the Irish softball program. Her 82 wins over the first two seasons are the most in school history (Liz Miller had 77 while

Brian Boulac posted 61) and she has guided the team to set school records for home runs, RBI and fielding percentage over the last two seasons.

Gumpf's record at Notre Dame stands at 126-48 (.725) entering this weekend's action and her teams have captured back-to-back BIG EAST titles and NCAA regional appearances.

The 2004 season will feature Gumpf's distinctive stamp on the program. The graduation of four starters in the infield gives the opportunity for the Irish starting lineup to feature five players from Gumpf's first two recruiting classes at Notre Dame.

Keeping up with the Irish on the road: A complete recap, plus game boxscore, will be posted on www.und.com as soon as possible upon completion of Notre Dame's scheduled games for the day (although during preseason tournament action, the schedule might allow for game-by-game updates). The Notre Dame softball hotline will also be updated as soon as possible after each game, that line can be reached by calling (574) 631-3000, press 4, then 2.

2004 Notre Dame Softball Bio Updates -

#1 Stofany Stongloin • 5-10 • Junior • P • R/R • Huntington Beach, CA (Marina)

- BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-26)
- BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-5)
- BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (3-29)

Career notes - Has recovered from a sub-par second season to win three BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week awards in '04 ... has surpassed her win, innings pitched, strike outs and complete game totals from her freshman season ... her 18 complete games this season are a career-high, surpassing her 13 in 2002 ... posted second career perfect game at Valparaiso on March 23, striking out a career-best 14 batters in the six-inning victory and not allowing a single ball out of the infield ... other perfect game came vs. Virginia Tech on April 20, 2002 ... combined with teammate Carrie Wisen for a no-hitter vs. Valparaiso in 2002, giving her three career no-hit performances.

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>Record</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Ks</u>	<u>Opp BA</u>
57-23	2.18	96	34	518.0	459	.202

2004 - Boasts a nine-game win streak ... last pitching loss occurred in game two vs. Purdue (4-6-04), an eight-inning set back ... worked the first three innings of Notre Dame's 9-0, five-inning victory over Pittsburgh ... earned her 20th victory of the year, reaching that plateau for the second time in her career ... allowed four hits and struck out five in five innings of work vs. Virginia Tech ... named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week for the third time in 2004 on Monday, April 26, after going 3-0 during the week, collecting two conference wins (to move to 6-0 in the BIG EAST) and striking out 24 batters in 20 innings ... tossed a seven-inning gem at Villanova, giving up four hits and striking out seven (2-0 Irish victory) ... allowed six hits and two runs at Rutgers, but also struck out nine in Notre Dame's 4-2 victory ... won her fourth straight game at UIC, working six innings, giving up three hits and striking out eight ... moved to 4-0 in the BIG EAST with a 6.0 IP effort in game two vs. Providence, giving up one run (her first in BIG EAST play in '04), striking out nine and issuing just one walk ... picked up the victory at #18 Nebraska, working 5.1 innings, giving up four hits, striking out two and walking four ... earned her third conference victory of the season in as many starts with a four-inning, two-hit, three-strikeout performance vs. Syracuse (8-0 Irish victory in five innings) ... shut down the Connecticut offense in game two of a doubleheader, giving up just two hits and striking out five in a five-inning, 10-0 Irish victory ... repeated as the conference pitcher of the week on April 5, picking up three victories during the week - including two BIG EAST Conference wins ... earned a complete game victory at Western Michigan in game two, allowing four hits, on earned run and striking out six ... named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week for the first time in 2004 (and third of her career) on March 29 after going 2-0 with a spotless ERA and posting 22 strikeouts in 13 innings pitched in two victories, including the perfect game at Valparaiso ... threw seven scoreless innings vs. Saint Louis at the Hoosier Invitational to pick up eighth victory of the year (4-3 Irish victory) ... earned her second career perfect game and third no-hitter in Notre Dame's 9-0 six-inning victory at Valparaiso ... struck out 14 of the 18 batters she faced and the Crusaders failed to get a ball out of the infield ... previous no-hitter included a combined against Valparaiso in 2002 and a perfect game vs. Virginia Tech in '02 ... the 14 strikeouts were a career-best ... tossed second complete game in three outings vs. North Carolina (2-0 Irish victory), allowing three hits, two walks and striking out six ... posted a complete-game victory vs. Georgia Tech in the NFCA Leadoff Classic Silver Bracket Championship game, giving up just five hits, one run and striking out eight ... held the U.S. Olympic Team to one run on four hits over three innings of work in Notre Dame's 10-0 exhibition loss to Team USA ... earned first victory of the season vs. UNLV with a complete-game performance, striking out 10 and giving up one run and five hits ... the 10 strikeouts marked the third 10-strikeout performance of her career and first since she sat down 10 vs. Seton Hall in 2002 ... surrendered just four hits and two runs in her season opening appearance vs. #2/3 California (a 2-1 Irish loss).

#4 Carrie Wilson • 5-7 • Junior • P/DP • R/R • Fullerton, CA (Sonora)

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>Record</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Ks</u>	<u>Opp BA</u>	<u>Saves</u>
27-9	2.02	18	6	235.1	178	.218	6

2004 - Hit a two-run walk off double in game one vs. Pittsburgh - accounting for Notre Dame's last two runs in an 8-0, six-

inning victory ... posted first hit of the season in a two for two performance with a double in game two vs. DePaul (breaking up an 0-15 slump to begin the season) ... earned her first save of the year at Nebraska, pitching the last 1.2 innings, giving up one hit and striking out two ... escaped a bases-loaded, one-out situation in the bottom of the sixth vs. the Huskers ... posted her most impressive outing of the season in relief against Georgia State, throwing 5.2 innings without a hit, striking out nine of the 18 batters she faced ... entered the Massachusetts game in relief, throwing three innings with two hits allowed and five strikeouts ... threw two scoreless innings vs. Princeton (10-1 Irish win) ... earned first victory of the season with 2.2 innings of relief vs. #8/9 Nebraska at the UNLV Classic (a 6-4 Irish victory) ... started at DP vs. #24/24 CS Fullerton.

#5 Konya Fuemmeler • 5-7 • Freshman • P/UT • R/R • Salisbury, MO (Salisbury)

2004 - Scored her first career run in first appearance with the Irish vs. Hawaii ... made first career pitching appearance vs. Pacific (12-1 Irish loss), working 0.2 innings with three hits and two runs.

#8 Liz Hartmann • 5-9 • Junior • 3B • R/R • Novato, CA (San Marin)

Career notes - Continues climb up the all-time home run list with 24 - good for fourth on the all-time list (Jarrah Myers, 99-02 is the leader with 36) ... she is two behind Sara Hayes for third place ... has hit four game-winning home runs in the sixth inning or later during her career, including two vs. nationally-ranked Nebraska ('02 and '04), along with one at La-Lafayette in 2003 and her solo shot vs. Saint Louis at the Hoosier Invitational this season ... joined Jarrah Myers earlier this season as the only Notre Dame players to hit two home runs in a single game three times during their careers ... currently boasts career bests for batting average (.273), doubles (11) and slugging percentage (.491) in '04 ... has hit at least seven home runs in each of her three seasons with the Irish.

Career stats (as of April 29) -

<u>BA</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Sig%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.248	114	18	0	24	96	.444	.294	5-7	.962

2004 - Two for three with a double and two-run home run in game one vs. Virginia Tech (5-0 Irish victory) ... three for four with two RBI and one home run in game one at Rutgers ... walked and scored the game-winning run in game one vs. Providence (1-0 Irish victory) ... posted second double of the doubleheader vs. Syracuse, going one for three at the plate ... two for two with a double and run scored in game one vs. Syracuse ... two for three with a two-RBI double in game two vs. UConn (10-0 Irish victory) ... three for three in game one against Connecticut (9-1 Irish victory) ... two for three with a double and solo home run in game two at Western Michigan ... blasted the game-winning home run in the bottom of the seventh vs. Saint Louis in the Hoosier Invitational (4-3 Irish victory) ... three for four with a double and two singles at Valparaiso ... one for four with a two-run home run in game two vs. Eastern Michigan (9-0 Irish victory) ... posted a fielder's choice RBI in game one vs. Eastern Michigan, giving the Irish an important insurance run in a 2-0 victory ... two for three with three RBI, including a two-RBI single vs. Maryland ... shook off the effects of a flu virus vs. North Carolina, going two for three with the lone RBI of the game (2-0 Irish victory) ... one for four with two RBI vs. Princeton ... hit her third home run of the UNLV Classic vs. Portland State (a 4-1 Irish victory) ... tied her own school record (shared by eight other players) by blasting two home runs to propel Notre Dame to a 6-4 come-from-behind victory vs. #8/9 Nebraska at the UNLV Classic ... hit a two-run home run to cut the Husker lead to 4-2, then hit another two-run homer in the top of the seventh to provide the game-winning runs ... with the two homers against Nebraska, she becomes the second player in Notre Dame softball history to hit two home runs in three different games (Jarrah Myers) ... her home run vs. Nebraska in the UNLV Classic is the second game-winning home run she has hit against Nebraska in her career - Hartmann hit a three-run homer in the top of the seventh at #4 Nebraska in 2002 to push the Irish to a 3-2 upset victory ... ended up three for four with two home runs, a double and two runs scored vs. Nebraska in the UNLV Classic ... three for four with an RBI double in the season opener vs. Hawaii.

#9 Nicole deFau • 5-3 • Senior • OF • R/R • Southington, CT (Southington)

• BIG EAST Player of the Week (4-26)

Career notes: Has already set season-total career highs for doubles (10), triples (3), RBI (14) and at bats (161) ... second on the team in doubles this year with 10, which is already a career high and surpasses the four doubles she had in her three previous years combined ... has hit a career-best two home runs this season.

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>BA</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Sig%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.268	91	14	4	4	29	.369	.345	26-36	.920

2004 - Had a single and a triple with one RBI in game two vs. Pittsburgh, her final home game at Ivy Field ... two for four with two singles, two runs scored and a stolen base in game one vs. Pittsburgh (8-0 Irish victory) ... posted an eight-game hit streak from 4-20 to 4-30, the second-best on the team this season ... enjoying a career season with the Irish as the lone senior in the Class of '04 ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week for the first time in her career on Monday, April 26 ... hit .588 during the week, including .643 against BIG EAST Conference competition ... also posted four RBI, five runs two doubles, three stolen bases and one home run during the week ... came through with a key sacrifice fly in the sixth inning at #18 Nebraska, providing Notre Dame an insurance run (2-0 Irish victory) ... three for three with two runs scored in game two vs. Syracuse (8-0 Irish victory) ... hit her third career home run in the sixth inning against Boston College (7-1 Irish victory) ... finished one step away from hitting for the cycle in game one vs. Connecticut (9-1 Irish victory), posting a double in the first, single in the fourth and triple in the sixth to finish three for four ... scored the winning run in the sixth inning vs. Western Kentucky (2-1 Irish victory) by doubling to lead off the inning and scoring on a double by Meagan Ruthrauff ... got on base four times at Valparaiso, scoring three runs and going two for three with a double ... singled and eventually scored an important insurance run during the sixth inning in game one vs. Eastern Michigan ... has moved up to second in the line up to take advantage of her bunting skills ... played a crucial role in Notre Dame's victory over Georgia Tech in the NFCA Leadoff Classic Silver Bracket Championship game, throwing out the tying run at the plate from leftfield in the bottom of the sixth inning (2-1 Irish victory) ... three for three with a double, two singles and a run vs. Princeton ... made a great catch in rightfield vs. #8/8 Stanford, bringing back a ball that looked destined for a grand slam home run ... one for three with an RBI single vs. #2/3 California (2-1 Irish loss) ... logged first triple of the season for ND in the first game of the year vs. Hawaii - driving in Nicole Wicks with the tying run (4-4) in Notre Dame's eventual 8-7 victory.

#11 Jessica Hufnagle • 5-6 • Freshman • C • R/R • Middlebury, IN (Northridge)

2004 - Made first career appearance at catcher in Notre Dame's 10-1 victory over Princeton ... scored her first career run after pinch running for Liz Hartmann vs. #8/8 Stanford, scoring on a throwing error by the Cardinal (4-2 Irish loss) ... posted her first career RBI with a two-run single vs. Pittsburgh in game two (9-0 Irish victory).

#16 Mallorie Lonn • 5-8 • Sophomore • C • R/R • Garden Grove, CA (Pacifica)

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>BA</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Sig%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.252	76	14	1	10	50	.404	.312	3-3	.990

2004 - posted first three-hit game of the season in game two vs. Virginia Tech, going three for three with three RBI ... hit a single, double and first career triple in game two vs. the Hokies ... one for one with an RBI double in game one vs. Pittsburgh (8-0 Irish victory) ... had a single in her only plate appearance in game two vs. Pittsburgh ... two for three with a double and run scored in game one vs. Syracuse (11-3 Irish victory) ... two for four with a single and double in game two vs. Boston College (7-1 Irish victory) ... blasted her second home run of the first conference weekend in game one against Boston College, driving in two runs ... hit her third home run of the season against Connecticut in game one, a solo shot in the fifth inning (9-1 Irish victory) ... bases loaded single in the first inning at Western Michigan drove in the game winning run in Notre Dame's 5-1 victory ... hit home runs in consecutive games, following up her shot vs. Eastern Michigan with a two-run bomb at Valparaiso ... was two for three with two RBI vs. the Crusaders ... smacked her first home run of the season in game two vs. Eastern Michigan, a solo shot in the second inning that turned into the game winning run (9-1 Irish victory) ... earned third multiple hit game of the year in game one vs. Eastern Michigan (two for three) ... notched a two RBI single vs. Florida A&M (8-0 Irish victory) ... two for three (two singles) vs. Georgia State ... posted first multiple hit game of the season vs. Florida Atlantic, going two for three with an RBI double (2-0 Irish victory) ... broke out of an 0-24 slump vs. UMass with a single up the middle ... one for three with an RBI single vs. Utah (4-3 Irish victory) ... one for four with a double vs. #8/9 Nebraska in the UNLV Classic ... one for two with an RBI vs. UNLV.

**#20 Nicole Wicks • 5-5 • Junior • OF/IF • R/R • Renton, WA (Hazen)
• BIG EAST Player of the Week (4-12)**

Career notes: Became the eighth player to tie the school record for triples in a single game, hitting two in game one vs. Syracuse.

2004 - Transfer from the University of Washington ... has stepped in as the starting rightfield position due to the loss of Kellie Middleton (injured) ... is currently Notre Dame's hottest hitter, going nine for 19 over the last six games with three triples and a double ... ended up two for three with her first triple at Notre Dame in game one vs. Purdue (her RBI on the triple ended up as the game winner in Notre Dame's 4-2 victory) ... two for three with a double and single in game one vs. Boston College (5-0 Irish victory) ... crushed third home run of the season at Valparaiso ... tied up the NFCA Leadoff Classic Silver Bracket Championship game with a solo home run in the third inning - her second homer of the tournament ... two for two vs. #14/14 Nebraska at the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... two for three with two runs scored vs. Princeton ... first hit in an Irish uniform was a solo home run vs. #24/24 CS Fullerton (5-4 Irish victory) ... ended up one for two with two runs scored vs. the Titans.

#21 Megan Clohill • 5-5 • Junior • OF • L/R • Terre Haute, IN (North Vigo)
 • BIG EAST Player of the Week (4-19)
 • USA Softball National Player of the Year Initial Watch List (40 players)

Career notes - Has moved her career batting average to .371 as of May 5, which would rank second all-time at Notre Dame ... ranked fifth in the top five all-time in stolen bases at Notre Dame with 42, needing one more to reach Jarrah Myers in fourth place (Andrea Loman is the all-time leader with 60). ... has moved to third in the Irish lineup to take advantage of her RBI potential (batted first for Notre Dame in 2002 and 2003) ... BIG EAST Player of the Week award on April 19 was the first of her career.

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>BA</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.371	205	25	7	10	68	.495	.408	42-51	.957

2004 - Brings a season-best 10-game hit streak into this weekend's action ... ended up two for four with a double, stolen base and two runs scored in game one vs. Pittsburgh ... three for four with two RBI, two runs scored and three singles in game two vs. Virginia Tech ... went two for three with two RBI in game one vs. Virginia Tech ... two for three with one run scored and a double in game one at Rutgers ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week for the first time in her career on Monday, April 19 ... hit .563 over the week from April 12-19, helping Notre Dame win three games ... ended up five for seven in the doubleheader with Providence ... three for four with three singles, an RBI and a run scored in game two vs. Providence ... two for three with two runs scored in game one vs. Boston College (5-0 Irish victory) ... crushed a home run vs. Western Kentucky for ND's first run of the game, eventually finishing two for three against the Hilltoppers ... drove in two insurance runs with a single in the seventh inning at Indiana (4-0 Irish victory), capping a one for four performance ... two for four with a run scored and stolen base at Valparaiso ... three for four with a run scored in game two vs. Eastern Michigan (9-1 Irish victory) ... one for two with a two-RBI double and stolen base vs. Florida A&M (8-0 Irish victory) ... put up her second four hit game of the season vs. Maryland, going four for four singles) with three runs scored ... one for four with two runs scored and a stolen base vs. Georgia State ... three for five with an RBI at #4/5 Florida State ... one for three with an RBI single (and eventually scored) vs. UMass (4-2 Irish loss) ... three for four with three runs scored and an RBI vs. Princeton ... two for three with a run scored vs. NW State ... two for three with a run scored vs. Utah ... four for four with a home run and three singles vs. Portland State, posting the second four-hit game of her career (Valparaiso 2002) ... hit first home run of the season in the first inning vs. Portland State ... three for three with two steals vs. #2/3 California (a 2-1 Irish loss).

#22 Sara Schoonaert • 5-3 • Sophomore • SS • R/R • Houston, TX (Clear Lake)

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>BA</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.205	32	7	3	0	14	.288	.275	6-12	.964

2004 - One for two with an RBI single in game two vs. Pittsburgh ... went two for three with a two-RBI triple in game on vs. Pittsburgh ... posted three hits in game two vs. Providence (7-1 Irish victory) and scored the game winning run after dou-

bling in the second inning ... had a single, double, triple and three RBI in the second game vs. the Friars ... drove in the game-winning run with an RBI single in the bottom of the sixth in game one vs. Providence (1-0 Irish victory) ... scored the game winning run in Notre Dame's 2-0 victory at #18 Nebraska ... hit an RBI double in the bottom of the eighth against Purdue (4-3 Irish loss) ... broke up a no-hit bid by Western Michigan's Laura Stewart in game one, doubling to lead off the third inning ... posted a two-RBI single in the first inning of game two at Western Michigan ... contributed an RBI single for an important insurance run in Notre Dame's 2-0 victory over Florida Atlantic ... scored the lone run of the game on a two-base error vs. #14/14 Nebraska at the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... scored the game-winning run in the top of the eighth on a passed ball vs. #24/24 CS Fullerton ... posted both ND hits and a stolen base vs. the U.S. Olympic Team and was perfect on six defensive chances vs. Team USA in a 10-0 exhibition loss ... two for two vs. #8/8 Stanford ... three for three with a run scored vs. #8/9 Nebraska in the UNLV Classic ... two for three in the season opener vs. Hawaii.

#24 Stephanle Brown • 5-6 • Freshman • 2B • L/R • Chandler, AZ (Corona Del Sol)
• 2004 NFCA Leadoff Classic All-Tournament Team

2004 - One for two with an RBI double in game two vs. Pittsburgh ... two for three with three runs scored and an RBI single in game two vs. Virginia Tech (9-0 Irish victory) ... ended up three for three with three RBI and a run scored in game one vs. Syracuse (11-3 Irish victory) ... exploded for a dominate doubleheader in her first conference action vs. Connecticut, going five for six in the two games with six RBI, two home runs (including a grand slam) and scoring four runs ... two for two in game two vs. UConn, including her first career grand slam in the fourth inning ... three for four in game one vs. Connecticut with two singles and a two-run homer in the fourth inning ... two for three with a run scored vs. Saint Louis ... three for four with a run scored and RBI in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... keyed Notre Dame's five-inning victory over Florida A&M with a two for three, two runs scored performance at the top of the lineup ... two for four with two runs scored vs. Maryland (6-2 Irish victory) ... three for four with a home run and scored all three runs in Notre Dame's 3-1 victory vs. Troy State ... the three hits vs. Troy State represents her first career three-hit game ... two for five with an RBI and run scored at #4/5 Florida State ... earned a spot on the NFCA Leadoff Classic all-tournament team ... hit .368 in the tournament with two home runs, two RBI and five runs scored ... two for three vs. #14/14 Nebraska at the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... two for four with two runs and an RBI vs. #24/24 CS Fullerton ... hit third home run of the season with a solo shot vs. the Titans ... broke up a perfect game and no hitter vs. #6/6 Georgia, hitting a solo home run in the fifth inning (7-1 Irish loss) ... hit her first career home run vs. #8/9 Nebraska in the UNLV Classic, tying the game up in the top of the seventh with a two-run shot down the leftfield line (Notre Dame eventually won the game 6-4) ... carded first career hit and RBI in her first game with the Irish vs. Hawaii.

#27 Carlssa Jaquish • 5-6 • Freshman • C • R/R • Highland, CA (Redlands East Valley)

2004 - Two for two with a single and two-RBI double in game two vs. Pittsburgh (9-0 Irish victory) ... combined for four hits and one RBI in Notre Dame's doubleheader sweep at Villanova ... first career home run turned out to be a grand slam, driving in four runs in the top of the seventh at UIC ... ended up with three hits in the game with the Flames, including a double and home run ... the three-hit effort at UIC was her third of the season ... contributed her first career triple in Notre Dame's comeback attempt during game two vs. Purdue, driving in Sara Schoonaert for the third Irish run of the game (4-3 Irish loss) ... two for three with an RBI and two runs scored in game two vs. Boston College (7-1 Irish victory) ... one for three with an RBI single vs. Connecticut (9-1 Irish victory) ... ended up two for four with two singles in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... two for two with two singles and two runs scored vs. Florida A&M (8-0 Irish victory) ... was perfect at the plate and posted her first career three-hit performance (3-3) vs. Troy State ... had a double and two singles in the game ... platoons at catcher with starter Mallorie Lenn ... one for three in Notre Dame's 2-1 victory over Georgia Tech in the NFCA Lead-off Classic Silver Bracket Championship game ... logged first career hit in a one for two performance vs. #8/9 Nebraska at the UNLV Classic.

#32 Heather Booth • 5-10 • Sophomore • P • R/R • Riverside, CA (Martin Luther King)
• BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (04-03)
• BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (03-01)
• Florida State Invitational All-Tournament Team

Career notes - Has already established career-highs for shutouts in a season with 10 (had three as a rookie in 2003) ... also has 25 complete games this season, five better than her 13 from '03 and good enough for third-place on the all-time single season list ... has surpassed her rookie strikeout total as well (158), as she has a team-high 198 strikeouts in 199.1 innings pitched this season ... poised to become the eighth Irish pitcher to post 200 strikeouts in a season ... has struck

out nine or more batters eight times this season (going into double digits four times, with a season-best of 12 in two consecutive starts vs. Florida State and Troy State).

Career stats (as of May 5) -

<u>Record</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Ks</u>	<u>Opp BA</u>
42-16	1.59	60	38	388.0	356	.195

2004 - **Named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week for the second time in 2004 on May 3 ... pitched two complete-game shutouts over the week to earn the award, striking out 18 batters in conference play and allowing just five hits ... baffled the Virginia Tech offense in game one, allowing just one hit and striking out nine ... completely shut down Villanova's offense in game one, scattering five hits and striking out eight in a complete game victory ... moved to 2-0 in conference play with a great effort vs. Boston College, throwing a complete-game shutout, allowing just two hits and striking out five ... picked up her first BIG EAST Conference victory of the season against Connecticut, throwing a complete game five-hitter, striking out six and allowing one run ... scattered six hits to pick up the victory vs. Western Kentucky, striking out 10 for her four 10-strikeout performance of the season ... contributed a complete-game two-hitter at Indiana, retiring the 22 batters she faced on 11 fly outs, eight ground outs and one strike out ... won her third game in the Florida State Invitational tournament over Penn State, collecting her third shutout of the season with a complete-game, two-hit performance (six strikeouts) ... scattered three hits and struck out six vs. Maryland to pick up her eighth win of the season ... matched her career-best with 12 strikeouts while allowing three hits vs. Troy State ... turned in another great outing against top competition, holding #4/5 Florida State to four runs in 9.2 innings, matching her career-best for strikeouts with 12 (a 4-3 Irish loss) ... just missed her first career perfect game vs. Florida Atlantic, going the distance against the Owls - allowing just one hit and striking out seven for her second shutout in the last three appearances ... **named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on March 1 for her performance over the course of the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... for the tournament, she pitched 22.0 innings, scattering 17 hits with 23 strikeouts and allowed just two earned runs for a 0.64 ERA ... completely shut down #14/14 Nebraska at the NFCA Leadoff Classic, earning a complete-game shut out with four hits, two walks and five strikeouts (1-0 Irish victory) ... posted one of her most impressive career outings vs. #24/24 CS Fullerton, pitching all eight innings in Notre Dame's 5-4 victory ... allowed seven hits, four runs (one earned) and struck out a career-best 11 vs. the Titans ... scattered six hits, struck out seven and did not allow a run after the first inning in ND's 2-1 victory over NW State ... pitched a complete-game five-hitter vs. Portland State in the UNLV Classic, striking out nine.****

#44 Kelle Middleton • 5-6 • Sophomore • OF • R/R • Norcross, GA (Marist)

2004 - Starting rightfielder is sidelined for the rest of the 2004 season due to injury ... hitting .391 with three doubles and four RBI in eight games before suffering the injury ... posted two hits with two stolen bases and an RBI vs. UNLV ... capped a five-run rally in the bottom of the seventh of the season opener vs. Hawaii, crushing a two-run home run for her first round-tripper of the season and push the Irish to an 8-7 come-from-behind victory.

#77 Meagan Ruthrauff • 5-10 • Sophomore • 1B • R/R • La Mirada, CA (La Serna)

- BIG EAST Player of the Week (03-29-04)
- BIG EAST Player of the Week (03-01-04)
- Florida State Invitational All-Tournament Team

Career Notes - Accumulating one of the greatest offensive seasons in Notre Dame softball history ... has set the season record for walks in a season 33 ... also ranks in the top 10 in single season home runs (10, third), RBI (51, second) and slugging percentage (.558, 10th) ... only the second player in Notre Dame history to reach 50 RBI in a season (Melanie Alkire, 64, 2000).

Career stats (as of May 5) -

BA	Hits	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Slg%	OB%	SB	Fld%
.314	101	18	0	14	78	.500	.408	2-2	.994

2004 - Three for four with two RBI and a double in game one vs. Pittsburgh (9-0 Irish victory) ... one for one with a three-run home run in game two vs. Virginia Tech (walked in her other two plate appearances) ... smashed her ninth home run of the season in game two against Syracuse, a three-run shot in the third inning ... two for three with and RBI in game one vs. Purdue (4-2 Irish victory) ... two for three with a three-run home run in game two vs. Connecticut ... the three-run homer broke a temporary slump (0-12) ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week on March 29 for the second time in 2004, honored for her performance vs. Valparaiso and during the Hoosier Invitational ... hit seven for 12 during the week with three home runs and 10 RBI ... one for three with the game-winning double in the top of the sixth inning vs. Western Kentucky in the Hoosier Invitational ... one for three with a solo home run in Notre Dame's 4-0 victory at Indiana ... two for three with a three-run home run vs. Saint Louis in the Hoosier Invitational (4-3 Irish victory) ... contributed the game-winning hits in three off Notre Dame's four victories during the week of March 22-29 ... exploded for five RBI (including at least one in each of three plate appearances) at Valparaiso ... ended up three for four vs. the Crusaders with a home run, double and single ... scored the lone run of the game vs. Penn State (1-0 Irish victory) on a double steal play in the bottom of the fourth ... drew two walks in three plate appearances vs. the Nittany Lions ... launched a three-run homer to key a one for two afternoon vs. Maryland ... drew two walks vs. the Terrapins ... ended up two for three with and RBI and run scored vs. Georgia State ... two for three with two RBI singles vs. Troy State (3-1 Irish victory) ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week on March 1 in honor of her performance at the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... finished the NFCA Leadoff Classic with seven hits (.368 average), three home runs (two game winners), nine RBI and three runs scored ... blasted the game-winning home run in the NFCA Leadoff Classic Silver Bracket Championship game vs. Georgia Tech ... was two for three vs. the Yellow Jackets ... two for three with five RBI vs. Princeton ... smashed a three-run home run vs. the Tigers ... posted an RBI single to put Notre Dame in front 4-3 during an eventual 5-4 eight-inning victory over #24/24 CS Fullerton ... ended up two for four vs. the Titans ... crushed first home run of the season in the first inning vs. NW State, providing the winning margin in ND's 2-1 victory ... two for three with a walk vs. #8/8 Stanford (4-2 Irish loss) ... two for three with two RBI vs. Portland State.