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Women's Basketball 2005-06

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2005-06 ND Women's Basketball: Game 10

#12/11 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (8-1 / 0-0 BIG EAST) vs.
Valparaiso Crusaders (5-4 / 0-0 Mid-Continent)

◆ DATE:	December 28, 2005	◆ RADIO:	ESPN Radio 1580 AM
◆ TIME:	2:00 p.m. ET		www.und.com
◆ AT:	Notre Dame, Ind.		Mike Lockert, p-b-p
	Joyce Center (11,418)	◆ TV:	None
◆ SERIES:	Notre Dame leads 18-0	◆ LIVE STATS:	www.und.com
◆ 1ST MTG:	12/3/77 (ND 48-41)	◆ TICKETS:	(574) 631-7356
◆ LAST MTG:	11/30/04 (ND 69-59)		



2005-06 Schedule

8-1 / 0-0 BIG EAST

N1	Indianapolis (exhibition)	W, 84-59
N10	Ferris State (exhibition)	W, 96-45
N18	(15/16) Michigan	W, 55-45
N20	(15/16) @ Western Michigan ^{CL}	W, 71-68
N23	(13/15) @ Indiana	W, 74-61
N27	(13/15) USC ^{CL} (24/21)	W, 73-62
N29	(11/12) Iona	W, 74-55
D4	(11/12) @ Wisconsin	W, 77-72
D7	(10/10) @ Purdue (24/23)	L, 54-65
D17	(13/14) vs. Arkansas St. ¹	W, 77-54
D18	(13/14) vs. Utah ¹ (22/21)	W, 68-55
D28	Valparaiso	2:00 ET
D31	Tennessee ^{CSTV}	2:00 ET
J4	• @ St. John's	7:00 ET
J7	• Seton Hall	1:00 ET
J10	• Marquette	7:00 ET
J14	• @ Louisville	1:00 ET
J17	• DePaul ^{CSTV}	7:30 ET
J21	• @ Georgetown	4:00 ET
J24	• @ Rutgers ^{CSTV}	7:30 ET
J28	• South Florida	Noon ET
J31	• @ Syracuse	7:30 ET
F4	• Providence	1:00 ET
F7	• Villanova ^{ESPNU}	6:00 ET
F12	• @ DePaul ^{ESPN2}	4:00 CT
F19	• Connecticut ^{ESPN2}	7:00 ET
F22	• @ West Virginia	7:00 ET
F25	• @ Cincinnati ^{BETV}	2:00 ET
F28	• Pittsburgh	7:00 ET
M4	BIG EAST First Round ²	TBD
M5	BIG EAST Quarterfinals ²	TBD
M6	BIG EAST Semifinals ²	6/8:00 ET
M7	BIG EAST Championship ²	7:30 ET
M18	NCAA First Round ³	TBD
M19		
M20	NCAA Second Round ³	TBD
M21		
M25	NCAA Regional Semifinals ⁴	TBD
M26		
M27	NCAA Regional Finals ⁴	TBD
M28		
A2	NCAA National Semifinals ⁵	7/9:30 ET
A4	NCAA Championship Game ⁵	8:30 ET

Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame will play just its third game in the past three weeks and first home game in 29 days (the longest span between home games in 24 seasons).
- ◆ The Irish will look to improve to 9-1 for just the fourth time in school history (all in the past eight years).

Returning from a 10-day hiatus for the Christmas holiday, the No. 12/11 Notre Dame women's basketball team (8-1) seeks to build on its solid early-season success when it plays host to Valparaiso (5-4) Wednesday at 2 p.m. (ET) at the Joyce Center. It will mark the first home game for the Irish since Nov. 29, ending a span of 29 days between contests before the Notre Dame faithful.

The Irish last took the court on Dec. 18, coming away with a 68-55 victory over No. 22/21 Utah in the title game of the Duel in the Desert in Las Vegas. All five Notre Dame starters scored in double figures and the Irish held the Utes to a .316 field goal percentage.

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** earned tournament Most Valuable Player honors after averaging 16.0 ppg., 6.5 rpg. and shooting .824 from the floor (14-17) in two games. Senior guard **Megan Duffy** also garnered a spot on the all-tournament team after logging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists per game.

Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is ranked 12th in this week's Associated Press poll and 11th in the current ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll.
- ◆ Valparaiso is unranked.

Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.und.com>
- ◆ Valparaiso: <http://www.valpo.edu/athletics>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>
- ◆ Mid-Continent: <http://www.mid-con.com>

Setting The Standard

Under the guidance of 19th-year head coach **Muffet McGraw**, Notre Dame has evolved into one of the country's leading women's basketball powers. The Irish have appeared in 12 NCAA Tournaments (including the past 10 in a row) and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 six times in the past nine years. Notre Dame also has reached the NCAA Women's Final Four twice, winning college basketball's ultimate prize with the 2001 national championship.

In its history, Notre Dame has developed eight All-Americans, eight WNBA players (including five draft picks in the past five years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 29th season in 2005-06, the Irish own an all-time record of **583-255 (.696)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

Saint Joseph's '77

- ◆ 19th season at Notre Dame
- 419-156 (.729) at Notre Dame.
- 507-197 (.720) in 24 years as head coach.

NOTES

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

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
34	Crystal Erwin	F	6-2	Jr.	5.6	5.3	1.1 apg	• Season-high 12 points vs. #22/21 Utah
33	Melissa D'Amico	C	6-5	So.	10.3	6.0	1.7 bpg	• Duel in the Desert MVP (16.0 ppg., .824 FG%)
13	Megan Duffy (C)	G	5-7	Sr.	16.1	4.0	5.0 apg	• 14 assists, 1 TO @ Duel in the Desert
24	Lindsay Schrader	G	6-0	Fr.	9.4	6.1	2.1 apg	• Second dbl-dbl (10p, 10r) vs. Utah
32	Breona Gray	G	5-9	Jr.	6.4	2.8	1.1 apg	• 11.5 ppg. in Las Vegas homecoming

Off the Bench For the Irish

1	Tulyah Gaines	G	5-7	So.	4.8	2.6	1.1 spg	• 11 points (4-5 FG) off the bench at UW
2	Charel Allen	G	5-11	So.	7.8	4.6	1.4 apg	• Tied career high with 9 rebs. vs. Utah
11	Amanda Tsipis	G	5-9	So.	0.0	0.0	0.0	• Solid perimeter threat (2 games played)
14	Brittney Bolden	G	5-7	Fr.	0.0	0.0	0.0	• Walk-on added to roster in preseason
21	Chandrica Smith	F	6-1	Fr.	2.3	1.5	0.3 apg	• 4 pts., 4 rebs. in 18 min. vs. Arkansas St.
22	Christine Trezza	F	6-0	Fr.	0.0	0.0	0.0	• Preseason walk-on; 1 pt. vs. Ferris St.
41	Courtney LaVere (C)	F	6-3	Sr.	8.3	4.4	1.3 apg	• .528 FG% (28-of-53) past six games

(n) rank in Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls; figure before opponent is ND rank, after is opponent's rank

- = BIG EAST Conference game
- 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- 2 = To be played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center
- 3 = Hosted at pre-determined sites
- 4 = Regional sites are: Albuquerque, Bridgeport, Cleveland and San Antonio
- 5 = NCAA Women's Final Four (Boston, Mass.)

ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised on ESPN2/ESPNU
CSTV = Game to be televised on College Sports Television
CL = Game televised on Comcast Local
BETV = Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package

All times local to site and subject to change





A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

Balance and chemistry will be the two main ingredients as Notre Dame looks to build upon last year's successful 27-6 season that saw the Irish win the Preseason WNIT, rise to No. 3 in the national polls and advance to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

With the graduation of 2004-05 BIG EAST Player of the Year and All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast, as well as rugged and dependable center Teresa Borton, Notre Dame will have a large infusion of youth on its roster, as eight of its 12 players are underclassmen (four freshmen, four sophomores). However, the team is in more than capable hands, as senior point guard and two-time captain **Megan Duffy** returns to run the Irish offense. Duffy spent the summer as a co-captain on the USA World University Games Team that won a gold medal and went unbeaten in Izmir, Turkey, and she hopes to use the lessons she learned on the international stage to help her take the Irish to grand heights in 2005-06.

Notre Dame has been a mainstay in both national polls this season, peaking at No. 10 on Dec. 5, and currently standing 12th in the Associated Press poll and 11th in the ESPN/USA Today coaches' survey.

The balance the Irish have sought this season has been evident in the team's first nine games. Notre Dame has had at least three double-figure scorers in seven games (four in four of the past five outings, including a season-high five in the last game vs. No. 22/21 Utah) and eight different players have scored in double digits at least once thus far. What's more, eight players are averaging at least 17 minutes of action per night.

Duffy has been a strong all-around contributor for Notre Dame during non-conference play. The veteran floor general is averaging a team-best 16.1 points, 5.0 assists and 2.8 steals per game, with a 2.50 assist/turnover ratio, ranking among the top 10 in the BIG EAST in all four categories. In addition, she is third in the league and 21st in the nation in foul shooting (.905). She also has led the team in scoring six times and in assists eight times this year. Duffy has been tapped for the BIG EAST Conference Weekly Honor Roll three times this season, and most recently, she earned a spot on the Duel in the Desert All-Tournament Team after averaging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists in piloting the Irish to the tourney title.

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** has proven to be a solid complement in the post to Duffy's perimeter presence. D'Amico is second on the team in scoring (10.3 ppg.) and rebounding (6.0 rpg.), while setting the pace in both blocked shots (1.67 bpg., fourth in BIG EAST) and field goal percentage (.569). The pre-Christmas Duel in the Desert may have been her breakout performance, as she averaged 16.0 points and 6.5 rebounds per game with an .824 field goal percentage (14-17) en route to tournament Most Valuable Player and BIG EAST Player of the Week honors.

Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** also has shown tremendous promise during the early portion of the season. The former McDonald's All-American already has been named BIG EAST Freshman of the Week once (Nov. 21) after turning in an impressive 10-point, 14-rebound effort in her debut outing against Michigan, becoming just the second player in school history (first since 1979) to record a double-double in her first game. She also averaged 13.5 points per game and shot a blistering 80 percent from the field (12-of-15) in wins over Iona and Wisconsin, going 6-of-6 in the latter contest. Those marks earned Schrader a spot on the Dec. 5 BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll, the first freshman to appear on that list this season. She recently tacked on her second double-double of the year with 10 points and 10 rebounds in Notre Dame's most recent win over No. 22/21 Utah at the Duel in the Desert. Schrader is third on the team in scoring (9.4 ppg.) and tops in rebounding (6.1 rpg.), as well as third in field goal percentage (.451).

Potent Notables About The Fighting Irish

- Notre Dame's No. 12 ranking in the latest Associated Press poll represents the 26th consecutive appearance for the Irish in that survey, dating back to the start of the 2004-05 season. All told, Notre Dame has appeared in 135 Associated Press polls since the balloting debuted 30 years ago, with their first AP ranking (No. 25) coming on Dec. 31, 1990.
- With its No. 10 AP ranking on Dec. 5, the Irish have appeared in the top 10 of the media balloting at some point in seven of the past 10 years (including three of the past four seasons). Notre Dame has spent a total of 73 weeks in the AP top 10 during the program's 29-year history and owns a 110-21 (.840) record when it's ranked in the top 10.

Covering the Irish

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Media Services

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

Official Notre Dame athletics web site:

- <http://www.und.com>

In-Season Interview Policy

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

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

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

Credentials / Parking

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

For single-game credentials, contact **Chris Masters** no less than 24 hours before tipoff. Credential requests must be submitted via fax on official letterhead. Passes are left at the media will call entrance (Gate 1) of the Joyce Center.

Parking is free for all Irish women's basketball games.

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

Game Notes

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

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

Gameday Services

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

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

Post-Game Press Conferences

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach Muffet McGraw and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Joyce Center auditorium, located near Gate 1 on the first floor of the arena (exit floor via Gate 1 ramp to right of press row, go straight and turn right at WBB office).

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

LAST IRISH GAME

#13/14 Notre Dame 68, #22/21 Utah 55
Duel in the Desert — Championship
December 18, 2005
Cox Pavilion (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Utah (55)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Smith	38	6-14	2-5	4-4	2	1	4	18
Perry	25	3-8	1-2	0-0	4	1	3	7
Thorburn	39	5-13	1-3	5-9	9	3	5	16
Larsen	35	0-5	0-5	2-2	0	0	3	2
Filipe	7	0-4	0-0	0-0	2	0	3	0
Carlsen	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
Brouillard	17	2-2	0-0	3-4	4	0	4	7
Warburton	17	2-5	1-3	0-0	2	1	4	5
Oakey	12	0-4	0-0	0-0	5	1	1	0
Warner	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					2			
Totals	200	18-57	5-18	14-19	30	8	29	55

Notre Dame (68)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Erwin	21	4-8	0-0	4-6	7	0	2	12
D'Amico	32	4-5	0-0	5-10	7	0	2	13
Duffy	40	4-10	1-5	3-4	2	8	2	12
Schrader	33	4-10	0-0	2-5	10	3	2	10
Gray	25	3-6	2-4	3-4	2	1	3	11
Gaines	13	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	4	2
Allen	24	1-3	0-0	2-2	9	1	1	4
LaVerre	12	1-4	0-0	2-4	4	0	1	4
Team					0			
Totals	200	21-46	3-9	23-37	43	13	17	68
Utah	25	30	--	55				
Notre Dame	26	42	--	68				

FG Pct: Utah 31.6, Notre Dame 45.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** Utah 27.8, Notre Dame 33.3. **FT Pct:** Utah 73.7, Notre Dame 62.2. **Turnovers:** Utah 15, Notre Dame 14. **Blocked Shots:** Utah 1, Notre Dame 3 (D'Amico 2). **Steals:** Utah 4 (Smith 2), Notre Dame 5 (Duffy 3). **Attendance:** 1,195.





Around the BIG EAST

Current Standings

	BIG EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
(8/8) Connecticut	1	0	9	1
Marquette	1	0	9	1
(9/9) Rutgers	1	0	8	1
Pittsburgh	1	0	9	2
South Florida	1	0	9	2
Cincinnati	0	0	9	1
◆(12/11) NOTRE DAME	0	0	8	1
Louisville	0	0	7	2
West Virginia	0	0	7	2
Georgetown	0	0	5	4
Seton Hall	0	0	3	7
(13/13) DePaul	0	1	12	1
St. John's	0	1	9	1
Villanova	0	1	7	3
Syracuse	0	1	6	5
Providence	0	1	3	7

Through games of Dec. 27

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

Player of the Week

Nov. 21 Mel Thomas, Connecticut
 Nov. 28 Jessica Dickson, South Florida
 Dec. 5 Vaida Sipaviciute, Syracuse
 Dec. 12 Jessica Dickson, South Florida
Dec. 19 Melissa D'Amico, Notre Dame
 Dec. 27 Meg Bulger, West Virginia

Freshman of the Week

Nov. 21 Lindsay Schrader, Notre Dame
 Nov. 28 Xenia Stewart, Pittsburgh
 Dec. 5 Jenny Eckhart, Syracuse
 Dec. 12 Chelsea Marandola, Providence
 Dec. 19 Michelle Jones, Cincinnati
 Dec. 27 Chelsea Marandola, Providence

Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Wednesday, Dec. 28

Valparaiso at Notre Dame	2:00p
North Florida at South Florida	4:00p
Georgetown at Florida Atlantic	7:00p
Wagner at Providence	7:00p
Louisville at Kentucky	7:00p
Missouri State at DePaul	8:00p
<i>Surf & Slam Holiday Classic (San Diego, Calif.)</i>	
St. John's vs. Duke	11:00p

Thursday, Dec. 29

Syracuse at Cornell	1:00p
Albany at Connecticut	7:00p
Hartford at Seton Hall	7:00p
Cincinnati at Oregon State	7:00p

Friday, Dec. 30

St. Bonaventure at Pittsburgh	2:00p
South Florida at LSU	3:00p
Villanova at Manhattan	3:00p
St. Francis (Pa.) at Louisville	7:00p
Texas at Rutgers	7:00p
Clemson at Georgetown	8:00p
Rice at Marquette	8:00p
<i>Surf & Slam Holiday Classic (San Diego, Calif.)</i>	
St. John's at San Diego/vs. Montana State	9/11:00p

Saturday, Dec. 31

Army at Connecticut	Noon
Tennessee at Notre Dame	2:00p
Providence at St. Francis (N.Y.)	2:00p

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



- The Irish have won 57 of their last 60 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season. All three of the losses in that span have come against Big Ten Conference opponents (Wisconsin in 1996, Purdue in 2003, Michigan State in 2004).
- The Irish defense continues to be its calling card. In each of the past six seasons, Notre Dame has held its opponents to an average of less than 62 points per game, including a 56.8 ppg. mark last year, which ranked as the third-lowest opponent scoring average in school history and second-best of the Muffet McGraw era (55.8 ppg. in 2000-01). Thus far in 2005-06, the Irish are allowing opponents to score 59.7 ppg.
- The Irish have posted 39 wins over Top 25 opponents in the past eight seasons (1998-99 to present), most recently knocking off No. 22/21 Utah, 68-55 on Dec. 18 in the championship game of the Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) out in Las Vegas. In each of the past two years, Notre Dame has set a school record with seven regular-season wins over ranked opponents. Furthermore, since the start of the 2003-04 season, the Irish are 11-2 (.846) at home against Top 25 competition.
- Following their Nov. 29 win over Iona, the Irish have welcomed crowds of 5,000 or more fans to 68 of their last 70 home games. The only two blemishes on that mark came in the semifinals and finals of last year's Preseason WNIT, because tickets for those games could not be included in the Notre Dame season ticket package and had to be purchased separately.
- Senior guard **Megan Duffy** was named a preseason All-American by three sources, has been cited on the preseason watch lists for both the State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy and the John R. Wooden Women's Award, and most recently was tabbed as one of the top five point guards in the nation by ESPN.com. Duffy also was a preseason all-BIG EAST Conference selection, following up her first-team all-league citation last year.
- With a 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** became the 27th coach in NCAA Division I women's basketball history to reach the 500-win mark. She also is the 10th Division I coach to earn her 500th victory prior to age 50. McGraw reached another milestone on Nov. 29 vs. Iona with her 700th career game as a head coach (she was credited with the win despite missing the contest due to illness).

ND Opponent PPG Since 1999-2000	
2004-05	56.8
2003-04	58.5
2002-03	61.2
2001-02	57.8
2000-01	55.8*
1999-00	61.9
6-year avg.	58.6 ppg.
* = McGraw-era record	

letterwinners and three starters, complementing a solid crop of six freshmen (two of whom redshirted last season).

Like Notre Dame, the Crusaders (5-4) have been off for the past 10 days since an 83-50 pasting of Loyola (Ill.) at home on Dec. 18. Valparaiso shot a blistering 54 percent from the floor (34-63) and forced the Ramblers into 24 turnovers, parlaying those miscues into 27 points. The inside-outside combination of 6-foot-5 junior center **Tamra Braun** (21 points on 10-14 FG) and junior guard **Carrie Myers** (20 points on 6-9 3FG) powered the Crusaders to their biggest win of the season to date.

The victory over Loyola came on the heels of an impressive performance against No. 24/21 Purdue in Fort Wayne on Dec. 11, a game that saw Valparaiso take a 13-point lead in the second half before the Boilermakers rallied for a 70-55 win. The Crusaders do have a Big Ten triumph under the belt (57-51 vs. Northwestern on Nov. 30) and two of their four losses have come by eight points or less (one was a 79-71 double-overtime loss at Bradley on Nov. 21).

Myers has been Valparaiso's leading scorer to this point in the '05-06 season, averaging 14.1 points per game on .469 shooting (.448 from the three-point line, where 67 of her 96 shots have originated). Junior guard **Betsy Rietema** is second on the team in scoring (13.6 ppg.) and rebounding (6.3 rpg.), while also lifting a team-best 24 steals. Braun is the third Crusader scoring in double figures (11.9 ppg.) and she also sets the pace on the boards (8.7 rpg.).

Keith Freeman is in his 12th season as the head coach at Valparaiso, owning a 198-132 (.600) record that includes the school's first two NCAA Tournament appearances (2003, 2004), as well as a trip to the WNIT quarterfinals in 2002. Counting prior stops at Huntington and St. Joseph's (Ind.), Freeman has a career coaching record of 327-179 (.646) in his 18th season on the sidelines. He is 0-8 all-time against Notre Dame.

The Notre Dame-Valparaiso Series

Notre Dame leads the all-time series with Valparaiso, 18-0, including victories in each of the eight prior matchups at the Joyce Center.

The series dates back to the first varsity game in Irish women's basketball history (Dec. 3, 1977), a 48-41 Notre Dame victory at the Joyce Center. The teams would meet at least once during each of the first five seasons of the Irish women's basketball program before the series went nearly dormant for the next 18 seasons (save only for a home-and-home series in 1987 and 1988, as well as 1995 and 1996).

Head coaches **Muffet McGraw** (Notre Dame) and **Keith Freeman** (Valparaiso) agreed to resume the series on an annual basis starting with the 1999-2000 season, with this year's game marking the seventh consecutive year that the Irish and Crusaders have tangled on the hardwood.

Other Notre Dame-Valparaiso Series Tidbits

- Notre Dame has won all 18 games in the series by an average margin of 19.5 points per game (69.5-50.1). However, the past four



matchups have been much closer than that spread, including three games that decided by 10 points or less.

- In the **Muffet McGraw** era (1987-present), four of the five series games played at the Joyce Center have been decided by double figures in Notre Dame's favor, including Valparaiso's most recent visit on Nov. 21, 2003 (a 74-57 Irish win). During the past five Joyce Center games in the series, Notre Dame has won by an average of 25.6 ppg.
- The Irish have scored 70 or more points in nine of their last 11 games against Valparaiso, narrowly missing that mark in last year's 69-59 win. Conversely, the Crusaders have not scored more than 68 points in any game against Notre Dame and have topped the 60-point mark three times in the 18-game series.
- Since the series resumed annually in 1999, Notre Dame has been ranked nationally in each of the seven matchups, including its No. 12/11 ranking entering Wednesday's meeting.
- Valparaiso is one of two teams on this year's schedule whom the Irish faced in their inaugural varsity season of 1977-78. Notre Dame also faced Marquette in that first year (a 66-41 MU win in Milwaukee) and will take on the Golden Eagles, a new BIG EAST Conference member, Jan. 10 at the Joyce Center.
- Normally an early-season contest, this year's Notre Dame-Valparaiso game is the latest on the calendar since the Dec. 29, 1999 tussle the Joyce Center (won by the Irish, 88-63).
- Notre Dame is 104-31 (.770) all-time against other schools from the state of Indiana, including a 49-10 (.831) record at the Joyce

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			05-06	All Time
Preseason	408	15	1	129
Nov. 21, 2005	516	13	2	130
Nov. 28, 2005	654	11	3	131
Dec. 5, 2005	705	10	4	132
Dec. 12, 2005	575	13	5	133
Dec. 19, 2005	615	13	6	134
Dec. 26, 2005	662	12	7	135
SEASON HIGHS	705	10		

ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			05-06	All Time
Preseason	288	15	1	120
Nov. 15, 2005	294	16	2	121
Nov. 22, 2005	292	15	3	122
Nov. 29, 2005	374	12	4	123
Dec. 6, 2005	444	10	5	124
Dec. 13, 2005	372	14	6	125
Dec. 20, 2005	407	12	7	126
Dec. 27, 2005	441	11	8	127
SEASON HIGHS	444	10		

Center. In fact, the Irish have won 12 of their last 13 home games vs. other Indiana schools since an 87-83 loss to Purdue on Nov. 30, 1994. The only setback in that span — a 71-54 loss to Purdue on Jan. 4, 2003.

- The 18 series wins vs. Valparaiso are the second-most for Notre Dame vs. an Indiana institution in program history. The Irish hold a 19-6 series record against Butler, but have not played the Bulldogs since 1999.

ND vs. State of Ind.

	Overall	Home
Butler	19-6	10-3
UE	18-1	9-0
Franklin	0-1	0-0
Goshen	6-0	2-0
Grace	2-0	1-0
Huntington	4-0	0-0
IU	6-3	3-2
Ind. Tech	1-0	0-0
IPFW	3-0	2-0
Manches.	1-0	0-0
Marion	2-2	1-1
Purdue	5-14	3-4
Pur-Cal.	2-0	1-0
St. Fran.	1-0	0-0
St. Joe	4-3	2-0
SMC	10-0	5-0
Taylor	2-0	2-0
◆Valpo.	18-0	8-0
Vincennes	0-1	0-0
TOTAL	104-31	49-10
	(.770)	(.831)

- Wednesday's game marks a homecoming for Valparaiso freshman forward **Aimee Litka**, who graduated from South Bend St. Joseph's High School last May and played a key role in the Indians' run to the Class 3A state title. One of Litka's teammates on that squad was **Melissa Lechlitner**, who signed a National Letter of Intent back in November to attend Notre Dame beginning next fall.
- First-year Valparaiso student manager **Gary Paczesny** (*pronounced pah-CHEZ-knee*) is a native of South Bend, matriculating from both St. Joseph's High School and Holy Cross College, and has spent parts of the past four years working in the Notre Dame sports information office, assisting with various events, including women's basketball and NBC's broadcasts of Irish football.
- The states of Indiana and Michigan have produced more Notre Dame women's basketball players (14 each) than any other in the program's 29-year history. Freshman walk-on guard **Brittney Bolden** (South

Associated Press Poll

• December 26, 2005: Poll #8

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ◆Tennessee (34)	10-0	1,136	1
2 Duke (10)	9-0	1,108	2
3 LSU (2)	8-0	1,056	3
4 Baylor	9-0	998	4
5 North Carolina	11-0	985	5
6 Maryland	10-1	898	6
7 Ohio State	8-1	874	7
8 ◆Connecticut	9-1	799	8
9 ◆Rutgers	8-1	750	9
10 Michigan State	8-2	711	11
11 Arizona State	10-1	696	12
12 NOTRE DAME	8-1	662	13
13 ◆DePaul	12-1	564	14
14 Stanford	6-3	508	10
15 Minnesota	7-2	434	17
16 New Mexico	9-2	395	18
17 Georgia	7-3	334	15
18 ◆Purdue	8-2	325	21
19 Texas	6-3	306	20
20 Oklahoma	9-3	276	16
21 Vanderbilt	9-3	222	19
22 Temple	8-2	221	25
23 ◆Utah	8-2	192	22
24 Boston College	10-2	147	23
25 Virginia Tech	10-0	84	—

Others Receiving Votes: Washington 58, North Carolina State 45, Florida 39, Mississippi 34, Virginia 29, UCLA 12, ◆Louisville 11, ◆USC 10, Western Kentucky 9, South Carolina 8, Bowling Green 3, Florida State 2, George Washington 2, ◆Marquette 2, Kansas 1, BYU 1, Louisiana Tech 1, ◆South Florida 1, ◆St. John's 1.

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll

• December 27, 2005: Poll #7

Team	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ◆Tennessee (29)	10-0	772	1
2 Duke (2)	9-0	745	2
3 LSU	8-0	713	3
4 Baylor	9-0	666	4
5 North Carolina	11-0	657	5
6 Maryland	10-1	600	6-t
7 Ohio State	8-1	592	6-t
8 ◆Connecticut	9-1	554	8
9 ◆Rutgers	8-1	504	9
10 Arizona State	10-1	492	10
11 NOTRE DAME	8-1	441	12
12 Michigan State	8-2	422	13
13 ◆DePaul	12-1	404	14
14 Stanford	6-3	329	11
15 Minnesota	7-2	321	15
16 New Mexico	9-2	291	16
17 ◆Purdue	8-2	223	20
18 Georgia	7-3	218	18
19 Vanderbilt	9-3	205	19
20 Oklahoma	9-3	194	17
21 Temple	8-2	180	22
22 ◆Utah	8-2	142	21
23 Texas	6-3	116	23
24 Boston College	10-2	97	24
25 Mississippi	9-2	43	25

Others Receiving Votes: Virginia Tech 30, Washington 21, ◆USC 19, George Washington 16, BYU 11, Florida 11, ◆Louisville 8, UCLA 8, ◆South Florida 7, Western Kentucky 5, Bowling Green 4, Louisiana Tech 4, Kentucky 3, ◆Villanova 3, North Carolina State 2, Delaware 1, ◆Michigan 1.

LW = last week

◆ = 2005-06 Notre Dame opponent

LAST IRISH GAME VS. VALPARAISO

#3/3 Notre Dame 69, Valparaiso 59
November 30, 2004
Athletics-Recreation Center (Valparaiso, Ind.)

Notre Dame (69)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	36	9-19	1-2	6-6	10	1	2	25
Erwin	13	2-5	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	4
Borton	23	2-4	0-0	2-2	9	1	4	6
Duffy	39	6-13	2-6	6-6	5	4	2	20
Gray	26	3-8	0-0	0-0	3	3	1	6
Gaines	12	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Allen	31	1-4	0-0	4-4	9	2	3	6
Powers	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
D'Amico	13	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	3	2
Team					2			
Totals	200	24-58	3-8	18-18	43	11	16	69

Valparaiso (59)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Stangler	40	6-10	0-0	2-2	5	1	3	14
Braun	36	4-7	0-0	3-4	5	0	2	11
Rietema	27	6-12	0-1	4-6	3	1	3	16
Gutowski	39	2-11	1-8	2-2	5	2	2	7
Boone	39	3-10	1-5	0-0	2	7	4	7
Bechtold	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Myers	13	1-3	0-2	0-0	0	1	0	2
Baughter	4	1-3	0-0	0-1	3	0	0	2
Team					4			
Totals	200	23-56	2-16	11-15	27	12	15	59

Notre Dame 34 35 -- 69
Valparaiso 24 35 -- 59

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.4, Valparaiso 41.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 37.5, Valparaiso 12.5. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 100.0, Valparaiso 73.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 10, Valparaiso 7. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Valparaiso 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 6, Valparaiso 7. **Attendance:** 2,214.





Valparaiso Series

Notre Dame Leads Series, 18-0

Date	Site	Result	Score
12/3/77	Notre Dame	W	48-41
12/1/78	Valparaiso	W	57-43
12/9/78	Huntington, Ind. ¹	W	66-52
1/22/79	Notre Dame	W	57-43
2/22/79	Rensselaer, Ind. ²	W	52-49
1/22/80	Valparaiso	W	65-55
1/22/81	Notre Dame	W	57-48
1/21/82	Valparaiso	W	84-27
12/19/87	Notre Dame	W	93-60
2/25/88	Valparaiso	W	91-56
12/17/95	Notre Dame	W	90-44
12/21/96	Valparaiso	W	75-56
12/29/99	Notre Dame	W	88-63
11/17/00	Valparaiso	W	71-46
11/18/01	Notre Dame	W	42-35
12/4/02	Valparaiso	W	74-68
11/21/03	Notre Dame	W	74-57
11/30/04	Valparaiso	W	69-59

1 = Huntington Tournament

2 = North District Tournament

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	1,253	69.6
Valparaiso	902	50.1

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 18 games

Muffet McGraw vs. Valparaiso: 10-0

Keith Freeman vs. Notre Dame: 0-8

McGraw vs. Freeman: McGraw leads 8-0

ND Biggest Win: 57 (84-27 on 1/21/82)

VU Biggest Win: None

ND Longest Win Streak: 18 (1977-present)

VU Longest Win Streak: None

THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ND	VALPO
Overall record	8-1	5-4
AP/ESPN-USA Today rank	12/11	—

SCORING

Points scored per game	69.2	60.9
Points allowed per game	59.7	58.0
Field goal percentage	.440	.424
Three-point percentage	.301	.386
Free throw percentage	.673	.659

REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	40.3	32.8
Opponent rebs. per game	37.1	37.0
Rebounding margin	+3.2	(-4.2)

OTHER

Assists per game	13.1	12.8
Turnovers per game	15.2	14.7
Assist/turnover ratio	0.86	0.87
Blocked shots per game	3.6	2.9
Steals per game	8.9	8.2

Bend/Adams HS) is the only native Hoosier on this year's Notre Dame roster, although the Irish have signed three Indiana standouts to National Letters of Intent for the 2006-07 season.

The Last Time Notre Dame And Valparaiso Met

Jacqueline Batteast had game highs of 25 points and 10 rebounds and Megan Duffy added a season-high 20 points for third-ranked Notre Dame, which used a 12-4 surge in the final 4:30 to finally beat back a stern challenge from host Valparaiso, 69-59, on Nov. 30, 2004, at the Athletics-Recreation Center.

Betsy Rietema scored 14 of her 16 points in the second half for Valparaiso (1-3), which stayed competitive throughout in a series dominated by Notre Dame. Coming into the game, the Irish had won the previous 17 games of the series by an average of 20 points.

The Irish appeared well on their way to another easy win after Batteast scored 11 of Notre Dame's first 13 points to key a 21-9 start. But the Crusaders responded with a 9-2 run keyed by strong inside play from Tamra Braun, and opened the second half with an 8-3 spurt to make it a game.

Down 53-43 with just under nine minutes to play, the Crusaders went on an 8-0 run to get back in the game. Rietema scored six points during the charge, including a driving layup that cut the lead to two points with 6:18 to play.

But the momentum changed on the next play. Batteast got a layup off an inbounds pass that quieted the crowd, Teresa Borton hit two free throws to pad the lead, and the Irish held on to extend their season-opening winning streak to seven games.

Notre Dame helped its cause by outrebounding Valpo, 43-27, making all 18 of its free throws (a new school record) and holding the Crusaders to 35-percent shooting. The Irish were also able to limit Valpo forward Jenna Stangler, who came into the game averaging 21.3 points, but was hounded by Irish double teams all night. Valpo's top scorer didn't get a shot off in the first six minutes and finished with 14 points on 6-of-10 shooting.

Notre Dame vs. The Mid-Continent

The Irish have faced only three of the eight current members of the Mid-Continent Conference, logging a perfect 21-0 record (9-0 at home) against the Mid-Con. The vast majority of those games have come against Valparaiso, with Notre Dame owning an 18-0 mark against the Crusaders (8-0 at the Joyce Center. The Irish also have met Mid-Con members Chicago State (2-0) and Oakland (1-0) in their 29-year history.

Protecting Perfection

With an 18-0 series record, Valparaiso is the first of four opponents on the 2005-06 Notre Dame schedule against whom the Irish have never lost (min. 10 games). The others are BIG EAST Conference members Pittsburgh (15-0), Providence (13-0) and St. John's (15-0), with Notre Dame scheduled to open its conference season Jan. 4 at SJU.

A Rested Development

Notre Dame will be playing its first game in 10 days and only its third in the past three weeks when it squares off with Valparaiso Wednesday at the Joyce Center. Last season, the Irish had 11 days off for the Christmas holiday and came back refreshed, going on the road to defeat Northern Illinois, 73-49, on Dec. 30, 2004.

Put Away The Presents

Wednesday's game with Valparaiso represents something of a rarity for Notre Dame, as the Irish will be playing their first post-Christmas game at the Joyce Center for only the fifth time in school history (first since Dec. 27, 1999 — a 74-59 win over USC).

All-time, the Irish are 17-11 (.607) in their first game after Christmas, but 4-0 when that contest is played at home (11-7 overall, 3-0 at home in the Muffet McGraw era). Besides that 1999 USC win, Notre Dame has victories over East Carolina (52-50 in 1982), Georgetown (78-72 in OT in 1992) and San Francisco (62-49 in 1997).

Perhaps the most notable win for the Irish coming out of the Christmas break came on Dec. 28, 1990, when Notre Dame knocked off No. 11 Louisiana Tech, 71-66, in the opening round of the Saint Joseph's Texaco-Hawk Classic in Philadelphia. The Irish used that win, and a 72-53 conquest of SJU in the tourney final a night later, to earn the first Associated Press Top 25 ranking in program history (No. 25 on Dec. 31).

Remember Us?

The Irish will play their first home game since Nov. 29 (a 74-55 win over Iona) when they take on Valparaiso Wednesday afternoon at the Joyce Center. That 29-day drought between home games is the longest for Notre Dame since the 1981-82 season, when the Irish went 36 days between contests at the Joyce Center (Dec. 12 vs. Northern Illinois; Jan. 17 vs. SMU).

In The Light Of Day

Notre Dame has enjoyed playing in the afternoon this season, posting a 5-0 record in games when the tip comes before 6 p.m. local time. Dating back to last year, the Irish are 14-2 in day games, with their only two losses in that span coming at Villanova (59-54 on Jan. 9, 2005) and at No. 10 Rutgers (59-48 on Feb. 19, 2005).

When The Game Is On The Line ...

The Irish have posted a .691 free throw percentage (38-of-55) inside the final two minutes of games this season. Leading the way is senior guard Megan Duffy, who has made 21 of her 22 foul shots (.955) in crunch time.

ND Free Throws In Final 2 Minutes

Duffy	21-22	.955
Gray	3-4	.750
Allen	5-8	.625
D'Amico	3-5	.600
Gaines	3-5	.600
Smith	1-3	.333
Schrader	2-8	.250
TOTAL	38-55	.691

The Efficiency Expert

Sophomore center Melissa D'Amico pulled off a unique feat in Notre Dame's 77-54 win over Arkansas State Dec. 17 at the Duel in the Desert in Las Vegas. D'Amico scored a career-high 20 points in only 18 minutes of court time, becoming





the first Irish player to average better than a point per minute (min. 10 minutes) in a game since Dec. 21, 2002, when current senior **Courtney LaVerre** had 20 points in 19 minutes vs. IPFW.

The Long Island Express

The Duel in the Desert on Dec. 17-18 in Las Vegas proved to be a coming-out party for sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico**. The Manorville, N.Y., native averaged 16.0 points and 6.5 rebounds with an astronomical .824 field goal percentage (14-of-17) en route to Most Valuable Player honors in the Gray Division (won by Notre Dame). D'Amico scored a career-high 20 points (10-12 FG) in the opener vs. Arkansas State, then came back with a team-high 13 points (4-5 FG) and seven rebounds in the championship game vs. No. 22/21 Utah.

D'Amico's effort also was enough to make her the BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week for Dec. 19, the first time she has been selected for that honor. She's also the first Irish player to garner that award since Teresa Borton was chosen on Feb. 28, 2005.

Viva Las Vegas

Notre Dame made the most of its first-ever visit to Las Vegas, coming away with the Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) title on the strength of wins over Arkansas State (77-54) and No. 22/21 Utah (68-55). The championship was the fifth in the last six opportunities for the Irish, who also have now won 12 of their last 13 regular-season tournament games.

The Duel in the Desert crown was even more rewarding when you consider Notre Dame trailed for a grand total of 15 seconds the entire weekend (a one-point deficit midway through the second half vs. Utah). The Irish defense also played a pivotal role, holding ASU and Utah to a .286 field goal percentage and 54.5 points per game.

Second-Half Sizzle

In six of their eight victories this season, Notre Dame has used a significant second-half run to take control of the contest. In four of those instances (Michigan, Indiana, USC, Utah), the Irish trailed at some point in the final 11 minutes, but on the strength of their second-half run, rallied to take the win.

ND Second-Half Runs	
17-5 vs. Michigan (Nov. 18)	(trailed 32-38 @ 10:54; W, 55-45)
10-2 @ W. Michigan (Nov. 20)	(led 49-48 @ 11:50; W, 71-68)
27-8 @ Indiana (Nov. 23)	(trailed 47-51 @ 10:42; W, 74-61)
22-8 vs. USC (Nov. 27)	(trailed 51-54 @ 9:22; W, 73-62)
26-9 vs. Iona (Nov. 29)	(led 39-35 @ 18:20; W, 74-55)
16-3 vs. Utah (Dec. 18)	(trailed 38-39 @ 9:54; W, 68-55)

Starting Strong

The Irish got off to a 6-0 start for the second time in as many seasons, marking the first time in the 29-year history of the program Notre Dame has put together back-to-back 6-0 starts (the Irish began last year with a 7-0 record).

All told, Notre Dame has won the first six games of the season only four times, all in the

Muffet McGraw era (and all in the past eight seasons beginning in 1998-99). In the three previous 6-0 starts, the Irish went on to win at least 25 games and reach the NCAA Tournament every time.

ND 6-0 Starts		
Year	Start	Finish
'98-99*	6-0	26-5
'00-01*	23-0	34-2^
'04-05*	7-0	27-6
◆'05-06*	6-0	??

* = coached by Muffet McGraw
^ = won NCAA championship

ND-Tennessee Game Sold Out

The University of Notre Dame Athletics Ticket Office announced Dec. 12 that this Saturday's New Year's Eve game between the Irish and Tennessee at the Joyce Center is sold out. The official announcement of the 11,418-seat sell-out, the third in program history, came 19 days prior to tip-off and makes the 2 p.m. (ET) New Year's Eve contest the fastest sellout in the 29-year history of Notre Dame women's basketball. The Irish had two capacity crowds in their first national championship season of 2000-01 — vs. top-ranked Connecticut on Jan. 15, and vs. Georgetown for Senior Night on Feb. 24 — with the latter contest exhausting its ticket allotment 15 days in advance.

Game #9 Recap: #22/21 Utah

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** scored 13 points and freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** had 10 points and 10 rebounds in No. 13/12 Notre Dame's 68-55 victory over No. 22/21 Utah on Dec. 18 in the Gray Division title game in the Duel in the Desert.

D'Amico, the tournament MVP, was 4-for-5 from the field and had seven rebounds for the Irish (8-1). Junior forward **Crystal Erwin** added 12 points and seven rebounds, and senior guard **Megan Duffy** also scored 12 points with eight assists for Notre Dame.

Kim Smith led Utah (7-2) with 18 points, and Shona Thorburn had 16 points and nine rebounds.

Noting The Utah Win

- Notre Dame is off to an 8-1 start for the second year in a row, fourth time in eight years and fifth time in school history (also 1978-79 as AIAW Division III program, 1998-99, 2000-01 and 2004-05).
- The win over Utah is Notre Dame's second in three games vs. a ranked opponent this season, pairing up with a 73-62 win over No. 24/23 USC on Nov. 27.
- The Irish are 6-2 (.750) all-time against the Mountain West Conference, including a 2-0 series mark vs. Utah.
- Notre Dame led or has been tied at halftime in eight of its nine games this year (all wins).
- The Irish had a season-high five players scoring in double figures, the first time they have had that much balance on offense since last year's season opener (five double-figure scorers on Nov. 12, 2004 vs. Illinois State in the Preseason WNIT at the Joyce Center).
- Notre Dame has featured at least three double-digit scorers in eight of nine games this year (all wins), including four with four or more in double figures, all in the past five

2005-06 Honorees

G Melissa D'Amico

Dec. 18	MVP, Duel in the Desert (Gray Division)
Dec. 19	BIG EAST Player of the Week

G Megan Duffy

preseason	State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
preseason	All-American (Wooden Women's Award)
preseason	first-team All-American (WBB News Service)
preseason	third-team All-American (<i>Lindy's Annual</i>)
preseason	"Terrific 10" (<i>Street & Smith's</i>)
preseason	top five point guards in nation (ESPN.com)
preseason	all-BIG EAST Conference
preseason	Senior CLASS Award nominee
Nov. 28	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll
Dec. 5	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll
Dec. 18	Duel in the Desert All-Tournament Team
Dec. 19	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

G Lindsay Schrader

Nov. 21	BIG EAST Freshman of the Week
Dec. 5	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

Top Joyce Center Crowds

Rk.	Date	Opponent	Result	Atten.
T1.	1/15/01	#1 Connecticut	W, 92-76	11,418*
T1.	2/24/01	Georgetown	W, 65-53	11,418*
3.	2/10/02	#16 Boston College	W, 60-44	9,676
4.	3/19/01	Michigan (NCAA)	W, 88-54	9,597
5.	1/4/03	#7 Purdue	L, 54-71	9,483
6.	1/26/02	#16 Virginia Tech	W, 64-57	8,878
7.	2/14/04	Providence	W, 81-51	8,760
8.	1/13/04	#4 Connecticut	W, 66-51	8,574
9.	1/29/02	Syracuse	W, 71-46	8,571
10.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
11.	1/20/03	#3 Connecticut	L, 53-72	8,265
12.	1/12/92	#2 Tennessee	L, 82-85	8,134
13.	11/18/01	Valparaiso	W, 42-35	7,960
14.	2/26/05	West Virginia	W, 82-57	7,935
15.	1/5/02	Providence	W, 72-66	7,804
16.	2/26/02	Villanova	L, 45-48	7,785
17.	2/19/02	West Virginia	W, 72-63	7,709
18.	1/18/03	Rutgers	L, 61-64	7,697
19.	2/13/02	St. John's	W, 66-31	7,677
20.	12/9/01	USC	W, 62-49	7,595

* = indicates capacity crowd // rankings from AP poll
Boldface indicates game played this season





Academics

The University of Notre Dame ranks among the top three Division I-A institutions in five major student-athlete graduation rate categories — overall, football, men, women and African-American — according to statistics released in October 2004 by the NCAA.

The federally-mandated '04 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 14th-such survey issued by the Association, covers students who enrolled between '94 and '97 at Division I institutions, including 117 in Division I-A. The NCAA bases graduation rates on the raw percentage of student-athletes who entered an institution and graduated within six years. Students who leave or transfer, regardless of academic standing, are considered non-graduates.

Among student-athletes who completed all four years of academic eligibility at Notre Dame, 99 percent earned their degrees. The national average was 84 percent.

Using the NCAA formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 87 percent of its student-athletes, second only to Duke University at 90 percent, and tied with Stanford and Northwestern Universities. The national average for Division I-A schools was 61 percent.

In August 2003, the NCAA presented an Academic Achievement Award to Notre Dame for its best-in-the-nation one-year graduation rate of 92 percent for all student-athletes who enrolled in 1996.

Notre Dame graduated 94 percent of its female student-athletes, which ranks third nationally behind only Northwestern and Duke.

All Student-Athletes

1. Duke	90%
2. (tie) Notre Dame	87
Northwestern	87
Stanford	87

Male Student-Athletes

1. Duke	88%
2. Stanford	84
3. Notre Dame	82

Female Student-Athletes

1. Northwestern	96%
2. Duke	95
3. Notre Dame	94

Academic All-Americans

Entering the 2005-06 academic year, Notre Dame ranks second in the nation with 158 Academic All-America® selections, including six last year. The Academic All-America® Program is administered by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), whose membership votes on the award winners, and the program is sponsored this year by ESPN The Magazine.

The Notre Dame women's basketball program has produced four Academic All-America® honorees in its 29-year history, with those four players winning a total of six citations. In addition, two-time first-team Academic All-America® pick **Ruth Riley** was tapped as the 2001 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year. The latter award encompasses all sports and placed Riley ahead of such notables as Shane Battier (Duke). Riley also is one of only 10 student-athletes in Notre Dame history to earn All-American and Academic All-America® honors twice in her career.

Current senior guard **Megan Duffy** is poised to become the latest Irish women's basketball player to earn Academic All-America® recognition. Duffy was a second-team Academic All-District V selection in 2004-05 and currently holds a 3.508 grade-point average (GPA) as a double major in psychology and computer applications in Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also has garnered Dean's List honors the past three semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005), the most recent coming after she finished with a 3.917 GPA for the term.

ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

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

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



games (No. 24/23 USC, Iona, Wisconsin and No. 22/21 Utah).

- Duffy also earned a spot on the all-tournament team after logging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists per game with just one turnover in 66 minutes of action; Duffy has now been named to three all-tournament teams in her career, also making the squads for the 2004 Preseason WNIT and 2005 BIG EAST Conference Championship.
- Perhaps lost a bit in the shuffle, junior guard **Breona Gray** turned in a solid two-day effort in her homecoming, finishing with 11.5 points per game while shooting .538 from the floor (60 percent from the three-point line).
- Erwin tallied a season-high 12 points vs. Utah, her first double-digit game since Jan. 26, 2005 vs. St. John's.
- Schrader chalked up her second double-double this season with 10 points and 10 rebounds vs. Utah (also 10p, 14r vs. Michigan on Nov. 18).
- Sophomore guard **Charel Allen** matched her career high with nine rebounds, tying her personal standard set on two other occasions (most recently at Seton Hall on March 1, 2005).

A Double Cheeseburger For Schrader

A 2005 McDonald's All-America selection who played in that elite all-star game back in March on her new home floor at the Joyce Center, freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** felt right at home from the first moment she stepped into the historic venue, scoring nine points in that contest.

As if there was any doubt about her abilities, Schrader put them all to rest in the Nov. 18 season-opening win vs. Michigan, rolling up a double-double (10 points, 14 rebounds) in her first college game, which she started. Schrader is just the second Notre Dame player ever to record a double-double in her debut contest, and the first Irish player to do so since the program elevated to Division I status in 1980-81 (ND was a Division III program for its first three seasons). The only other career-opening double-double by a Notre Dame freshman came from Shari Matvey, who had 21 points and 14 rebounds in a 68-60 conquest of Marion on Nov. 30, 1979 at the Taylor Invitational in Upland, Ind.

Give Her Five (Hundred)

With Notre Dame's 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, head coach **Muffet McGraw** became the 27th women's basketball coach in NCAA Division I history to reach the 500-win mark. McGraw now has a career record of 507-197 (.720) in 24 years of coaching, including 19 seasons at Notre Dame (419-156, .729).

Here's a closer look at how that milestone victory breaks down for McGraw:

- She is the 10th NCAA Division I women's basketball coach to register her 500th victory before turning 50 (her birthday was Dec. 5).
- McGraw is the fourth active coach in the BIG EAST Conference to reach the career

500-win mark, joining Rutgers' C. Vivian Stringer, Connecticut's Geno Auriemma and Villanova's Harry Perretta.

- She is the third BIG EAST coach in as many seasons to celebrate her 500th win. Auriemma hit the milestone late in the 2002-03 campaign, while Perretta joined the club with his landmark victory midway through last season.

Division I Coaches With 500 Wins Before Age 50	
41	Pat Summitt, Tenn.
44	Rene Portland, PSU
45	C. Vivian Stringer, RU
45	Sylvia Hatchell, UNC
45	Theresa Greutz, Ill.
46	Jody Conradt, Texas
47	Tara VanDerveer, Stan.
49	Geno Auriemma, UC
49	Harry Perretta, 'Nova
49	◆Muffet McGraw, ND

Join The Club

The Irish women's basketball team became the sixth Notre Dame squad this year to be ranked in the top 10 in its respective sport at some point during the season when it earned the No. 10 spot in the Dec. 5 AP poll. The other top-10 Irish teams include (highest rank listed): women's cross country (3rd), football (5th AP), men's cross country (5th), women's soccer (5th) and volleyball (7th).

In addition, all six of Notre Dame's fall sports teams advanced at least as far as the round of 16 (or its equivalent) in the NCAA Tournament. The Irish cross country teams both finished among the top 10 at the NCAA Championships (men - 3rd; women - 7th), while the women's soccer team advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals (lost at eventual champion Portland), and the men's soccer squad made its first-ever trip to the Sweet 16 before bowing by a 1-0 count at College Cup participant Clemson.

The Irish volleyball team reached the round of 16 for the first time since 1997, falling to Wisconsin in five games down in College Station, Texas.

Meanwhile, the Notre Dame football team also is still in season, set to take on Ohio State in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl Jan. 2 in Tempe, Ariz.

On the strength of their fall success to date, the Irish were first in the Dec. 15 NACDA/USSA Directors' Cup standings with 291 points, outpacing Stanford (232) and Duke (230). The results from football (final result determined by ranking in ESPN/USA Today poll) and volleyball are yet to come, with the next ranking set to come out on Thursday.

Half And Half

During the past six seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 104-8 (.929) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 33 of their last 35 such contests. Notre Dame has opened this season by winning seven games after it led at the break (the Irish were tied at halftime of their win over USC).

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past 11 seasons, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort



can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 154-9 (.945) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Notre Dame had added four more tallies to this ledger with wins over Michigan (55-45), Iona (74-55), Arkansas State (77-54) and Utah (68-55).

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

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past decade (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 91-3 (.968) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995 and a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998.

Sweet Success

Notre Dame is one of only nine schools in the country to have appeared in the NCAA Sweet 16 six times in the past nine seasons (1997-2005). The others are Connecticut and Tennessee (nine times), Duke (eight times), Louisiana Tech (seven times), and Georgia, LSU, North Carolina and Texas Tech (six times).

The Gold Standard

The Irish are one of six teams nationwide to have an active streak of 12 consecutive 20-win seasons. The others in this club are Tennessee (29), Texas Tech (16), Louisiana Tech (14), Old Dominion (14) and Connecticut (12).

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 130 of their last 141 games (.922) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 76-8 (.905) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 57 of their last 60 non-BIG EAST contests (.950) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. The only three losses in that span all came at the hands of Big Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54) and Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT). The Purdue loss snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the

Joyce Center, posting a 280-72 (.795) record at the venerable facility. In three of the previous six seasons (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish were a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Jammin' The Joyce

Beginning with its national championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has ranked among the top 20 in the nation in attendance each of the past five years, including a No. 16 rating in 2004-05 (5,830 fans per game). Notre Dame has averaged 5,744 fans in its first three games this season, and is tied with Texas for 11th in the latest unofficial national attendance rankings, released each Monday by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Office.

What's more, each of the top 20 women's basketball crowds in Joyce Center history have occurred during the 19-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw** (1987-present), with 19 of those 20 occurring in the past six seasons (2000-01 to present). Lastly, the Irish have attracted at least 5,000 fans to 68 of their last 70 home games, including 12 contests with at least 8,000 fans and the first two sellouts in the program's history (both in 2001).

The third sellout in Notre Dame women's basketball history is slated for Dec. 31, as all 11,418 tickets have been exhausted for the Irish matchup with No. 1 Tennessee at the Joyce Center. The game sold out 19 days in advance, making it the fastest sellout in the 29-year history of the program.

Oh Captain, My Captain

Notre Dame's two seniors — guard **Megan Duffy** and forward **Courtney LaVere** — will serve as team captains for the 2005-06 season. Duffy is in her second year as a captain (making her the 16th two-time captain in school history, and 12th in the Muffet McGraw era), while LaVere is a first-time captain. Both players received the captain's honor following a vote of their teammates prior to the season.

Notre Dame On The Small Screen

Notre Dame will have nine of its regular-season games televised during the 2005-06 season. Highlighting this year's television docket are six nationally-televised Irish women's basketball contests, including three consecutive games on the ESPN family of networks during a 12-day span in mid-February.

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has played in 60 televised games, including 37 that were broadcast nationally. Last year, the Irish had 17 games televised, with 10 being national broadcasts.

Notre Dame already is 2-0 in televised games this season. The Irish defeated both Western Michigan (71-68 on Nov. 20) and

Fall Signings

Notre Dame head women's basketball coach **Muffet McGraw** announced Nov. 9 that four of the nation's top high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their academic and athletic careers with the Irish, signing national letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2006. **Ashley Barlow**, a 5-9 guard from Indianapolis, Ind. (Pike High School), **Danielle Ben-Tsvulun**, a 6-3 forward from Fort Wayne, Ind. (Harding High School), **Melissa Lechlitner**, a 5-7 guard from Mishawaka, Ind. (South Bend St. Joseph's High School) and **Erica Williamson**, a 6-4 center from Charlotte, N.C. (South Mecklenburg High School) all made their official commitments to the Irish during the early signing period, which last from Nov. 9-16. Collectively, this quartet is ranked as the nation's No. 15 recruiting class, according to All-Star Girls Report, marking the 10th consecutive year Notre Dame has had a top-20 recruiting class.

"We're very excited about the potential of this group," McGraw said. "It's an exceptionally-balanced class and addresses many of our needs for the future. Each of these individuals will be tremendous complements to the players already in our program. Without question, this new class is a highly-skilled group, but each player also brings with her several intangibles, including excellent leadership, a strong work ethic and a desire to get better every day. They all have experienced success at the high school and AAU level and we think they will be outstanding fits at Notre Dame."

The three Indiana players are the most Notre Dame has ever had in a single incoming class. Some of the other notable Indiana natives to play for the Irish include All-Americans Beth Morgan (Bloomington; 1993-97), Ruth Riley (Macy; 1997-01) and Jacqueline Batteast (South Bend; 2001-05), as well as the school's leader in career three-pointers, Sheila McMillen (Rochester; 1995-99). Ironically, three of those players (Riley, Batteast and McMillen) and two of the newest Irish signees (Barlow and Lechlitner) grew up along the U.S. Route 31 corridor from South Bend to Indianapolis.

A capsule look at the four newest additions to the Irish women's basketball team follows, with complete bios available on-line at the following web address:

<http://und.collegesports.com/sports/w-baskbl/spec-rel/110905aad.html>

ASHLEY BARLOW, 5-9, G (Indianapolis/Pike)

16.9 ppg., 3.9 rpg., 3.2 apg. in her three-year prep career ... 23.7 ppg., 5.3 rpg., 3.9 spg. last season, ranking as top scorer (all classes) in metro Indianapolis ... ranked 24th in nation by Full Court Press ... ranked 55th in nation (10th among shooting guards) by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... Street & Smith's preseason honorable mention All-American (2006) ... all-state selection (2005) ... preseason candidate for 2006 Indiana Miss Basketball honors.

DANIELLE BEN-TSVULUN (BEN-suh-VOO-lun) 6-3, F (Fort Wayne/Harding)

12.1 ppg., 9.3 rpg., 3.2 bpg. last season, leading the Summit Athletic Conference in rebounding and blocked shots ... ranked 11th in conference in scoring ... all-state selection (2005) ... all-city and all-conference choice (2005).

MELISSA LECHLITNER (LEK-light-ner), 5-7, G (Mishawaka, Ind./South Bend St. Joseph's)

14.8 ppg., 4.1 rpg., 5.8 apg., 3.3 spg. with a .359 three-point percentage in her three-year prep career ... 16.3 ppg., 6.3 apg., 3.3 spg. with a .437 three-point percentage last season, leading South Bend St. Joseph's to a 25-1 record and Class 3A state title (first girls' basketball state championship in South Bend history) ... team ranked 23rd in nation in 2005-06 USA Today Super 25 preseason poll ... ranked 27th in nation (eighth among point guards) by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... Street & Smith's preseason honorable mention All-American (2006) ... adidas Top Ten Camp All-Star (Upperclass - 2005; Underclass - 2004) ... three-time all-state selection (2003, 2004, 2005) ... preseason candidate for 2006 Indiana Miss Basketball honors.

ERICA WILLIAMSON, 6-4, C (Charlotte/So. Mecklenburg)

10.0 ppg., 12.5 rpg., 5.3 bpg. last season at Honeoye Falls-Lima High School in Rochester, N.Y. ... helped lead team to a 24-2 record, Class A state championship and runner-up finish in New York Federation Tournament of Champions (all classes) ... transferred to South Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte prior to her senior season (father took new job) — team ranked 12th in national preseason poll by Street & Smith's and ninth in South Region in USA Today Super 25 preseason poll ... ranked 89th in nation by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... all-state selection (2005) ... all-area pick (2005).





2005-06 Trends

Day of the Week

Sunday	3-0
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	1-0
Wednesday	1-1
Thursday	0-0
Friday	2-0
Saturday	1-0

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m. local time)	5-0
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	3-1

Location

Home games	3-0
Road games	3-1
Neutral site games	2-0

Halftime score

Leading at the half	7-0
Tied at the half	1-0
Trailing at the half	0-1

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	6-0
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	0-0
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	2-1

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	6-0
Lower pct. than opponent	2-1
Shoot 45% or better	4-0
Shoot less than 45%	4-1
Hold opponent under 40%	4-0

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	6-0
Make same number of free throws	0-0
Make fewer free throws	2-1

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	6-1
Commit same number of turnovers	0-0
Commit more turnovers	2-0

Miscellaneous

Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls)	2-1
On television	2-0
In white jerseys	5-0
In blue jerseys	3-1
In green jerseys	0-0
In overtime games	0-0

Margin of Victory

1-5 points	2-0
6-10 points	1-0
11-15 points	3-1
16-20 points	1-0
21+ points	1-0

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	0-0
Big Ten	3-1
Metro Atlantic Athletic	1-0
Mid-American	1-0
Mountain West	1-0
Pac-10	1-0
Sun Belt	1-0

Month

November	5-0
December	3-1
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0

No. 24/21 USC (73-62 on Nov. 27) in contests broadcast live to a regional audience by Comcast Local (based in Detroit).

Six of the remaining seven televised games on the '05-06 Notre Dame schedule all are slated for national broadcasts. The first of three Irish appearances on College Sports Television (CSTV) comes on Saturday, when Notre Dame plays host to Tennessee at 2 p.m. (EST). Notre Dame returns to the CSTV airwaves for a pair of January contests that will be part of the BIG EAST/CSTV Tuesday Game of the Week package. The Irish will welcome DePaul to the Joyce Center on Jan. 17, before visiting Rutgers on Jan. 24, and both games will tip off at 7:30 p.m. (ET). CSTV has aired eight Notre Dame women's basketball games during the past three seasons, with the first being that network's inaugural broadcast of any sport (a Feb. 2003 game at Connecticut).

The Irish then make three consecutive appearances on the ESPN family of networks, beginning with a Feb. 7 home game against Villanova that will be broadcast live on ESPN2. That game now will tip off at 6 p.m. (ET), one hour earlier than previously listed on some schedules. The following Sunday (Feb. 12), Notre Dame will travel to DePaul for a 4 p.m. CST (5 p.m. ET) game that will air on ESPN2 as part of that network's "February Frenzy" split-national coverage designed to preview a similar coverage pattern for the NCAA Tournament. The Irish are back on ESPN2 on Feb. 19, when they play host to Connecticut in a 7 p.m. (ET) prime-time BIG EAST showdown at the Joyce Center. During the past five seasons, Notre Dame has appeared on the ESPN family of networks 24 times, averaging nearly five telecasts per year on "The Worldwide Leader in Sports".

Notre Dame will make its final regular-season television appearance on Feb. 25, when it travels to new conference member Cincinnati for a 2 p.m. (ET) game that will air as part of the BIG EAST-Regional Sports Network (RSN) package. Among the outlets scheduled to televise the game live are WHME-TV (Channel 46 in South Bend), Comcast Chicago, Comcast Local, Comcast Philadelphia and Madison Square Garden Network.

Notre Dame On The Airwaves

Once again this season, every Irish women's basketball game (home and away) will air on the flagship stations of the Artistic Media Partners (AMP) Network — WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1580) and WNDV-AM (1490) in South Bend. Veteran broadcaster and AMP sports director **Sean Stires** is now in his sixth season handling the play-by-play for Notre Dame. The Irish also can be heard on the Internet at Notre Dame's official athletics web site (www.und.com) by subscribing to Fighting Irish All-Access, which gives listeners full multimedia access to a variety of Irish athletics events for only \$6.95 per month.

Promotional Corner

Here's a rundown of some upcoming promotions and giveaways at future Notre Dame women's basketball games this season. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Irish athletics ticket office (second floor of the Joyce Center through Gate 1; 574-631-7356) or on game day at the Gate 10 ticket windows of the Joyce Center. Please note — additional promotions and giveaways may be added at a later date, so consult the Notre Dame promotions web site (www.notredamepromotions.com) for the latest information:

- **Dec. 28 vs. Valparaiso** — Family Day (four tickets, four hot dogs, four sodas for \$25) ... Notre Dame women's basketball license plate frames to first 1,000 fans (courtesy of Chevy) ... post-game autograph session with selected Irish players.
- **Dec. 31 vs. Tennessee** — Battle of the Elite/Kids' New Year ... halftime "count-down" to New Year's for all children in attendance, highlighted by special surprise guest ... New Year's prize packs to first 5,000 fans (courtesy of WB25) ... post-game autograph session with selected Irish players.

Next Game: Tennessee

Notre Dame closes out the 2005 calendar year with a New Year's Eve 2 p.m. (ET) matinee against top-ranked Tennessee at the Joyce Center. The game is an advance sellout, the third in the school history, and it will be broadcast nationally by College Sports Television (CSTV; DirecTV Channel 610).

UT is off to a 10-0 start this season, a mark that includes three wins over ranked opponents (No. 9 Michigan State, No. 10 Maryland and No. 16/18 Texas). The Lady Vols boast an explosive offense that is averaging 84.2 points per game with a .471 field goal percentage.

Tennessee is slated to visit No. 22/21 Temple Wednesday night before turning its focus to Saturday's matchup with Notre Dame. It will be UT's first visit to South Bend since 1994, and the sixth by a No. 1-ranked team in the 29-year history of the Irish program.





2005-06 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 8-1 (Home: 3-0, Away: 3-1, Neutral: 2-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0

----- Notre Dame Highs -----

Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	Time/Result	Streak	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 18	15/16		MICHIGAN	W 55-45	W1	1-0		Allen-16	Schrader-14	Duffy-8	6,134
Nov. 20	15/16		at Western Michigan ^{CL}	W 71-63	W2	2-0		Duffy-19	Duffy-7	two with 2	2,116
Nov. 23	13/15		at Indiana	W 74-61	W3	3-0		Duffy-26	LaVere-8	Duffy-5	976
Nov. 27	13/15	24/21	USC ^{CL}	W 73-62	W4	4-0		Duffy-19	D'Amico-10	Duffy-6	5,895
Nov. 29	11/12		IONA	W 74-55	W5	5-0		Duffy-21	D'Amico-8	three with 3	5,204
Dec. 4	11/12		at Wisconsin	W 77-72	W6	6-0		Duffy-20	D'Amico-8	Duffy-5	5,455
Dec. 7	10/10	24/23	at Purdue	L 54-65	L1	6-1		Duffy-12	Erwin-11	Schrader-3	7,213
Dec. 17	13/14		vs. Arkansas State ¹	W 77-54	W1	7-1		D'Amico-20	Schrader-8	Duffy-6	1,297
Dec. 18	13/14	22/21	vs. Utah ¹	W 68-55	W2	8-1		D'Amico-13	Schrader-10	Duffy-8	1,195
Dec. 28			VALPARAISO	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 31			TENNESSEE ^{CSTV}	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 4			• at St. John's	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 7			• SETON HALL	1 p.m. ET							
Jan. 10			• MARQUETTE	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 14			• at Louisville	1 p.m. ET							
Jan. 17			• DePAUL ^{CSTV}	7:30 p.m. ET							
Jan. 21			• at Georgetown	4 p.m. ET							
Jan. 24			• at Rutgers ^{CSTV}	7:30 p.m. ET							
Jan. 28			• SOUTH FLORIDA	Noon ET							
Jan. 31			• at Syracuse	7:30 p.m. ET							
Feb. 4			• PROVIDENCE	1 p.m. ET							
Feb. 7			• VILLANOVA ^{ESPNU}	6 p.m. ET							
Feb. 12			• at DePaul ^{ESPN2}	4 p.m. CT							
Feb. 19			• CONNECTICUT ^{ESPN2}	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 22			• at West Virginia	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 25			• at Cincinnati ^{BETV}	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 28			• PITTSBURGH	7 p.m. ET							

BIG EAST Championship – Hartford, Conn. (Hartford Civic Center)

March 4	First Round	TBD
March 5	Quarterfinals ^{CSTV}	TBD
March 6	Semifinals ^{ESPNU}	6/8 p.m. ET
March 7	Championship ^{ESPN2}	7:30 p.m. ET

NCAA Tournament – First & Second Rounds (Sites: Chicago, Denver, Nashville, Norfolk, Trenton, Tucson, University Park, West Lafayette)

March 18-19	First Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBD
March 20-21	Second Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBD

NCAA Tournament – Regionals (Sites: Albuquerque, Bridgeport, Cleveland, San Antonio)

March 25-26	Regional Semifinals ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBD
March 27-28	Regional Finals ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBD

NCAA Women's Final Four – Boston, Mass. (TD Banknorth Garden)

April 2	National Semifinals ^{ESPN}	7/9:30 p.m. ET
April 4	National Championship ^{ESPN}	8:30 p.m. ET

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game

1 = Duel in the Desert (Cox Pavilion – Las Vegas, Nev.)

ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised live on ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPNU

CSTV = Game to be televised live on College Sports Television (CSTV)

CL = Game televised live on Comcast Local

BETV = Game to be televised live as part of BIG EAST regional package (check local listings)

All home games are listed in ALL CAPS and played at Joyce Center (capacity 11,418)

All times shown are local to the site // Dates and times are subject to change

2005-06 ATTENDANCE

	Totals	Avg.	High
All Games:	35,485	3,943	7,213 (PUR - 12/7)
Home:	17,233	5,744	6,134 (UM - 11/18)
Away:	15,760	3,940	7,213 (PUR - 12/7)
Neutral:	2,492	1,246	1,297 (ASU - 12/17)

**2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games****Overall Record: 8-1 (Home: 3-0, Away: 3-1, Neutral: 2-0)**

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Duffy, Megan	9-9	334-37.1	46-112	.411	15-50	.300	38-42	.905	5	31	36	4.0	15-0	45	18	1	25	145	16.1
D'Amico, Melissa	9-9	213-23.7	37-65	.569	0-0	.000	19-32	.594	20	34	54	6.0	25-0	2	14	15	5	93	10.3
Schrader, Lindsay	9-9	256-28.4	37-82	.451	1-1	1.000	10-28	.357	9	46	55	6.1	19-1	19	21	2	8	85	9.4
LaVere, Courtney	9-0	202-22.4	34-73	.466	0-0	.000	7-10	.700	22	18	40	4.4	19-0	12	11	7	8	75	8.3
Allen, Charel	9-0	202-22.4	25-61	.410	3-9	.333	17-25	.680	10	31	41	4.6	13-0	13	15	2	9	70	7.8
Gray, Breona	9-6	221-24.6	20-51	.392	6-21	.286	12-13	.923	8	17	25	2.8	12-0	10	15	2	9	58	6.4
Erwin, Crystal	9-9	193-21.4	16-40	.400	0-1	.000	18-25	.720	18	30	48	5.3	27-1	10	19	3	6	50	5.6
Gaines, Tulyah	8-3	138-17.3	10-29	.345	0-0	.000	18-29	.621	7	14	21	2.6	15-0	6	17	0	9	38	4.8
Smith, Chandrica	4-0	30-7.5	4-7	.571	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	2	4	6	1.5	5-0	1	4	0	1	9	2.3
Trezza, Christine	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Tsipis, Amanda	2-0	8-4.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bolden, Brittney	1-0	2-2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team										19	18	37	4.1			3			
Notre Dame	9	1800	229-521	.440	25-83	.301	140-208	.673	120	243	363	40.3	150-2	118	137	32	80	623	69.2
Opponents	9	1800	194-533	.364	48-156	.308	101-143	.706	126	208	334	37.1	184-3	111	165	26	67	537	59.7

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 32, Opponents 12

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	304	319	— 623
Opponents	271	266	— 537

2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Home Games**Overall Record: 3-0**

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Duffy, Megan	3-3	110-36.7	15-41	.366	6-19	.316	7-8	.875	1	7	8	2.7	3-0	17	4	1	11	43	14.3
Allen, Charel	3-0	72-24.0	12-28	.429	1-3	.333	10-14	.714	4	10	14	4.7	7-0	5	5	2	4	35	11.7
D'Amico, Melissa	3-3	84-28.0	14-29	.483	0-0	.000	5-10	.500	9	16	25	8.3	7-0	0	5	3	1	33	11.0
Schrader, Lindsay	3-3	82-27.3	13-25	.520	0-0	.000	6-16	.375	3	18	21	7.0	9-1	6	12	0	4	32	10.7
LaVere, Courtney	3-0	72-24.0	14-26	.538	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	7	5	12	4.0	5-0	6	4	1	1	30	10.0
Gaines, Tulyah	2-1	40-20.0	2-9	.222	0-0	.000	7-11	.636	2	6	8	4.0	3-0	0	5	0	4	11	5.5
Smith, Chandrica	1-0	6-6.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	2	2	2.0	1-0	0	0	0	1	3	3.0
Gray, Breona	3-2	74-24.7	1-13	.077	0-6	.000	6-6	1.000	4	9	13	4.3	1-0	3	5	0	7	8	2.7
Erwin, Crystal	3-3	54-18.0	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	5-8	.625	4	9	13	4.3	7-0	3	12	0	2	7	2.3
Tsipis, Amanda	1-0	3-3.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bolden, Brittney	1-0	2-2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Trezza, Christine	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team										14	9	23	7.7						
Notre Dame	3	600	73-179	.408	7-29	.241	49-78	.628	48	91	139	46.3	43-1	40	52	7	35	202	67.3
Opponents	3	600	64-185	.346	17-55	.309	17-28	.607	38	74	112	37.3	65-0	39	59	10	27	162	54.0

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 13, Opponents 3

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	95	107	— 202
Opponents	81	81	— 162





2005-06 Single Game Highs & Lows

Team Superlatives

NOTRE DAME HIGH	NOTRE DAME LOW	CATEGORY	OPPONENT HIGH	OPPONENT LOW
77, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)	54 at Purdue (12/7/05)	Points/Game	72 by Wisconsin (12/4/05)	45 by Michigan (11/18/05)
45 (1st) vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	22 (1st) at Purdue (12/7/05)	Points/Half	39, twice (MR: (1st) by Purdue, 12/7/05)	20 (1st) by Michigan (11/18/05)
32 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	18 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	Field Goals Made	28 by Wisconsin (12/4/05)	14 by Arkansas State (12/17/05)
73 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	46 vs. Utah (12/18/05)	Field Goal Attempts	72 by USC (11/27/05)	55, twice (MR: by Ark. St., 12/17/05)
.551 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)	.305 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	FG Percentage	.438 by Wisconsin (12/4/05)	.255 by Arkansas State (12/17/05)
6 at Indiana (11/23/05)	0 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Made	8 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	1 by Indiana (11/23/05)
14 vs. Iona (11/29/05)	4 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Attempts	24, twice (MR: by Ark. St., 12/17/05)	7 by Indiana (11/23/05)
.462 at Indiana (11/23/05)	.000 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	3-Point FG Percentage	.421 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.143 by Indiana (11/23/05)
23 vs. Utah (12/18/05)	9 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	Free Throws Made	20 by Arkansas State (12/17/05)	3 by Michigan (11/18/05)
37 vs. Utah (12/18/05)	12 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	Free Throw Attempts	27 by Arkansas State (12/17/05)	6 by Michigan (11/18/05)
.800, twice (MR: at Wis., 12/4/05)	.607 vs. USC (11/27/05)	FT Percentage	.769 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	.500 by Michigan (11/18/05)
54 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	27 at Indiana (11/23/05)	Rebounds	47 by Purdue (12/7/05)	27 by Wisconsin (12/4/05)
19 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	7 at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	Assists	15 by Western Michigan (11/20/05)	8 by Utah (12/18/05)
12, twice (MR: vs. Iona, 11/29/05)	5 vs. Utah (12/18/05)	Steals	12 by USC (11/27/05)	4, twice (MR: by Utah, 12/18/05)
7 at Indiana (11/23/05)	1 at Purdue (12/7/05)	Blocked Shots	8 by Purdue (12/7/05)	1, three times (MR: by Utah, 12/18/05)
20, twice (MR: at Wis., 12/4/05)	11 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	Turnovers	21, three times (MR: by Ark. St., 12/17/05)	15, twice (MR: by Utah, 12/18/05)
21 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	12 vs. USC (11/27/05)	Fouls	29 by Utah (12/18/05)	15 by Arkansas State (12/17/05)

Individual Superlatives

	NOTRE DAME	OPPONENT
Points Scored	26 by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	29 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Field Goals Made	10 by Melissa D'Amico vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)	10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Field Goal Attempts	20 by Megan Duffy vs. Iona (11/29/05)	19 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)	1.000 (6-6) by Lindsay Schrader at Wisconsin (12/4/05)	.833 (5-6) by Carrie Smith of Indiana (11/23/05)
3-Point Field Goals Made	3, four times (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. Arkansas State, 12/17/05)	7* by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	11 by Megan Duffy vs. Iona (11/29/05)	10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)	.500 (3-6) by Megan Duffy at Indiana (11/23/05)	1.000 (2-2) by Ta'Shia Walker of Michigan (11/18/05)
Free Throws Made	9 by Megan Duffy at Wisconsin (12/4/05)	7 by Kelsey Lock of Arkansas State (12/17/05)
Free Throw Attempts	10, twice (MR: by Melissa D'Amico vs. Utah, 12/18/05)	10 by Jenny DeMuth of Indiana (11/23/05)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)	1.000 (8-8) by Megan Duffy at Western Michigan (11/20/05)	1.000 (4-4), three times (MR: by L. Wisdom-Hylton of Purdue, 12/7/05)
Rebounds	14 by Lindsay Schrader vs. Michigan (11/18/05)	12, twice (MR: by Erin Lawless of Purdue, 12/7/05)
Assists	8, twice (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. Utah, 12/18/05)	7 by Tiera DeLaHoussaye of Western Michigan (11/20/05)
Steals	6 by Megan Duffy vs. USC (11/27/05)	3, six times (MR: Banks/Josephson of Wisconsin, 12/4/05)
Blocked Shots	3 by Melissa D'Amico at Indiana (11/23/05)	3 by Danielle Campbell of Purdue (12/7/05)
Turnovers	8 by Lindsay Schrader vs. USC (11/27/05)	8 by Martina Weber of Iona (11/29/05)
Minutes Played	40, four times (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. Utah, 12/18/05)	40, three times (DeLaHoussaye/Moore/Rost of WMU, 11/20/05)

* = tied Notre Dame opponent record



**2005-06 Notre Dame Game-By-Game Team Statistics**

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall		3-Point		FT-A	Pct.	Rebs.		PF-DQ	A	TO	B	S	Pts
	FG-A	Pct.	FG-A	Pct.			Off-Def-Tot							
NOTRE DAME (6,134)	18-59	.305	0-4	.000	19-29	.655	22-32-54	16-0	11	19	2	12	55	
vs. Michigan	18-56	.321	6-16	.375	3-6	.500	9-24-33	23-0	14	21	4	8	45	
NOTRE DAME	27-65	.415	1-6	.167	16-20	.800	14-25-39	16-0	7	12	5	6	71	
at Western Michigan (2,116)	25-60	.417	8-19	.421	10-13	.769	11-26-37	18-0	15	18	2	5	68	
NOTRE DAME	28-51	.549	6-13	.462	12-18	.667	5-22-27	18-0	15	13	7	8	74	
at Indiana (976)	22-55	.400	1-7	.143	16-23	.696	17-23-40	19-0	10	19	1	4	61	
NOTRE DAME (5,895)	26-54	.481	4-11	.364	17-28	.607	11-32-43	12-0	15	20	3	11	73	
vs. USC	23-72	.319	6-24	.250	10-15	.667	21-23-44	21-0	12	17	5	12	62	
NOTRE DAME (5,204)	29-66	.439	3-14	.214	13-21	.619	15-27-42	15-1	14	13	2	12	74	
vs. Iona	23-57	.404	5-15	.333	4-7	.571	8-27-35	21-0	13	21	1	7	55	
NOTRE DAME	27-49	.551	3-9	.333	20-25	.800	12-22-34	17-0	13	20	6	7	77	
at Wisconsin (5,455)	28-64	.438	7-17	.412	9-13	.692	16-11-27	21-2	14	15	2	11	72	
Notre Dame	21-58	.362	1-7	.143	11-18	.611	12-22-34	18-0	11	15	1	9	54	
at PURDUE (7,213)	23-57	.404	4-16	.250	15-20	.750	17-30-47	17-0	14	18	8	9	65	
NOTRE DAME (1,297)	32-73	.438	4-10	.400	9-12	.750	15-32-47	21-1	19	11	3	10	77	
vs. Arkansas State ¹	14-55	.255	6-24	.250	20-27	.741	13-28-41	15-0	11	21	2	7	54	
NOTRE DAME (1,195)	21-46	.457	3-9	.333	23-37	.622	14-29-43	17-0	13	14	3	5	68	
vs. Utah ¹	18-57	.316	5-18	.278	14-19	.737	14-16-30	29-1	8	15	1	4	55	

Winners listed in ALL CAPS // Attendance listed next to home team (where applicable)

¹ = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)



2005-06 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists

Opponent	Gaines	Allen	Tsipis	Duffy	Bolden	Smith	Trezza	Schrader	Gray	D'Amico	Erwin	LaVere
MICHIGAN	6-4-0	16-5-0	DNP	3-4-8	DNP	DNP	DNP	10-14-2	6-2-1	10-7-0	0-3-0	4-7-0
@ Western Michigan	6-5-1	4-5-1	DNP	19-7-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	11-5-0	6-1-0	8-4-1	7-5-2	10-5-0
@ Indiana	0-1-0	11-4-4	DNP	26-1-5	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	7-4-3	14-2-1	1-1-0	9-4-1	6-8-1
USC	DNP	13-4-2	DNP	19-2-6	DNP	DNP	DNP	8-4-2	2-8-1	13-10-0	2-7-1	16-0-3
IONA	5-4-0	6-5-3	0-0-0	21-2-3	0-0-0	3-2-0	0-0-0	14-3-2	0-3-1	10-8-0	5-3-2	10-5-3
@ Wisconsin	11-1-1	5-2-1	DNP	20-6-5	DNP	DNP	DNP	13-5-0	7-3-0	11-8-1	4-3-2	6-4-3
@ Purdue	3-3-1	7-2-0	DNP	12-7-2	DNP	2-0-0	DNP	6-2-3	0-0-2	7-3-0	7-11-1	10-3-2
vs. Arkansas State ¹	5-1-3	4-5-1	0-0-0	13-5-6	DNP	4-4-1	DNP	6-8-4	12-4-3	20-6-0	4-5-1	9-4-0
vs. Utah ¹	2-2-0	4-9-1	DNP	12-2-8	DNP	DNP	DNP	10-10-3	11-2-1	13-7-0	12-7-0	4-4-0

Home games in ALL CAPS

DNP = did not play

1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)





2005-06 Miscellaneous Statistics

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Most First Half Points Scored	45 vs. Arkansas State (12/17)	
Most First Half Points Allowed	39, twice (MR: by Purdue, 12/7)	
Most Second Half Points Scored	42 vs. Utah (12/18)	
Most Second Half Points Allowed	38 by Western Michigan (11/20)	
Fewest First Half Points Scored	26, twice (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18)	
Fewest First Half Points Allowed	20 by Michigan (11/18)	
Fewest Second Half Points Scored	29 vs. Michigan (11/18)	
Fewest Second Half Points Allowed	25 by Michigan (11/18)	

Largest Leads

Notre Dame: 25, twice — 54-29 (15:30, 2nd) and 71-46 (4:11, 2nd) vs. Arkansas State (ND 77-54), 12/17

Opponent: 21 — 57-36 (8:25, 2nd) by Purdue (PUR 65-54), 12/7

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 8 — 29-21 (4:36, 1st) by USC (ND 73-62), 11/27

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: None

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 2 — 2-0 (19:35, 1st) at Purdue (PUR 65-54), 12/7

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

Halftime Leads: ND: 7 (ND Record — 7-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 1 (ND Record — 0-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Rebound Advantage: ND: 6 (ND Record — 6-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 3 (ND Record — 2-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Bench Scoring Advantage: ND: 4 (ND Record — 4-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 4 (ND Record — 3-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Notre Dame Margin: +26 points, +2.9 ppg. (ND — 206 pts., 22.9 ppg.; Opponents — 180 pts., 20.0 ppg.)

Point Differential	3	5	10	11	13	19	23
Notre Dame Wins	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Notre Dame Losses	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks ALL GAMES vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS

Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gray, Schrader.....5-1

Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gaines, Schrader.....3-0

Complete Games Played: 4 // Opponents: 3

Most Minutes: 40, four times (Megan Duffy at Indiana, 11/23; Duffy vs. USC, 11/27; Duffy at Purdue, 12/7; Duffy vs. Utah, 12/18)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 31 (Duffy 8, D'Amico 6, Schrader 5, LaVere 4, Allen 3, Gray 3, Erwin 1, Gaines 1) // Opponents: 25

20-29-Point Games: 4 (Duffy 3, D'Amico 1) // Opponents: 2

30-39-Point Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 6 (Duffy 4, Allen 1, D'Amico 1)

Team-High Honors*: 9 (Duffy 6, D'Amico 2, Allen 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 4 (Schrader 2, D'Amico 1, Erwin 1) // Opponents: 5

Game-High Honors*: 3 (Schrader 2, D'Amico 1)

Team-High Honors*: 9 (D'Amico 3, Schrader 3, Duffy 1, Erwin 1, LaVere 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 6 (Duffy 6)

Team-High Honors*: 12 (Duffy 8, Schrader 2, Allen 1, Erwin 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 3 (Schrader 2 - UM, UTAH; D'Amico 1 - USC) // Opponents: 5

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





The Last Time It Happened...

Notre Dame recorded a

30-point win was on 2/25/04 — ND 93, Miami 58 (35 points)*
40-point win was on 11/26/02 — ND 107, Cleveland State 65 (42 points)*
50-point win was on 3/4/01 — ND 89, Georgetown 33 (56 points) (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Storrs, Conn.*)
30-point loss was on 3/17/02 — Tennessee 89, ND 50 (39 points) (*NCAA Midwest Region Second Round at Knoxville, Tenn.*)

Notre Dame shot

60% on FGs was on 12/11/04 — 60.4% (29-48) vs. Washington (ND 72-58)*
65% on FGs was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*
90% on FTs was on 11/30/04 — 100.0% (18-18) at Valparaiso (ND 69-59) (**school record**)

Notre Dame

won 10 games in a row was from 1/16/05 thru 2/15/05 — 10 straight
won 15 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
won 20 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
lost 5 games in a row was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (across two seasons)
• lost 5 games in a row (one season) was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight
scored 100 points was on 11/26/02 (ND 107, Cleveland State 65)*
• scored 100 points on the road never
• scored 100 points at a neutral site was on 11/24/89 vs. Liberty (ND 113-35) (*Rotary Classic at Orlando, Fla.*)
• scored 100 points & lost never
allowed 100 points was on 12/8/98 (Connecticut 106, ND 81)*
scored less than 50 points was on 3/1/05 (ND 41, Seton Hall 35)
allowed less than 50 points was on 11/18/05 (ND 55, Michigan 45)*
played an overtime game was on 12/2/04 (Michigan State 82, ND 73 - ot)*
• played a multiple-overtime game was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)
rallied from a double-digit deficit to win was on 2/15/05 — 15 points (11-26, 1:57, 1st) at Boston College (ND 54-47)
won on a "last second" shot was on 12/19/04 (ND 50, Marquette 47 — Jacqueline Batteast three-pointer at 0:00)
lost on a "last second" shot was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)
had five double-figure scorers was on 12/18/05 (ND 68, Utah 55) — Melissa D'Amico 13, Megan Duffy 12, Crystal Erwin 12, Breona Gray 11, Lindsay Schrader 10 (*Duel in the Desert at Las Vegas, Nev.*)
had six double-figure scorers was on 11/12/04 (ND 92, Illinois State 73) — Courtney LaVere 18, Megan Duffy 15, Charel Allen 14, Jacqueline Batteast 13, Teresa Borton 11, Crystal Erwin 10* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)
had seven double-figure scorers was on 2/6/97 (ND 90, Syracuse 73) — Rosanne Bohman 16, Mollie Peirick 15, Katryna Gaither 14, Kari Hutchinson 11, Sheila McMillen 11, Beth Morgan 11, Jeannine Augustin 10
had no double-figure scorers was on 2/8/04 (Seton Hall 51, ND 45)
had two double-figure rebounders was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Jacqueline Batteast 10, Crystal Erwin 10*
had two players with "double-doubles" was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14 pts., 10 reb.), Megan Duffy (14 pts., 10 asst.) & Jacqueline Batteast (10 pts., 10 reb.)*
had three players with "double-doubles" was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14 pts., 10 reb.), Megan Duffy (14 pts., 10 asst.) & Jacqueline Batteast (10 pts., 10 reb.)*
had two 20-point scorers was on 3/21/05 (Arizona State 70, ND 61) — Megan Duffy 24, Jacqueline Batteast 20 (*NCAA Tempe Region Second Round at Fresno, Calif.*)
had three 20-point scorers was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23*
made 10 three-point field goals was on 3/3/02 (Syracuse 84, ND 79) — 10-26 (38.5%) on threes (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Piscataway, N.J.*)
committed 10 turnovers or less was on 2/15/05 (ND 54, Boston College 47) — 10 turnovers
committed 25 turnovers or more was on 1/28/04 (ND 59, Miami 50) — 26 turnovers
forced 25 turnovers or more was on 12/9/04 (ND 65, Dayton 39) — 26 turnovers

An Irish player had

25 points was on 11/23/05 — Megan Duffy (26) at Indiana (ND 74-61)
30 points was on 11/20/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (32) vs. Ohio State (ND 66-62)* (*Preseason WNIT Championship Game at Notre Dame, Ind.*)
35 points was on 2/22/00 — Ruth Riley (36) vs. Miami (ND 83-68)*
40 points was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) (**school record**)
15 rebounds was on 2/23/03 — Jacqueline Batteast (18) at Connecticut (UC 77-59)
20 rebounds was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)
10 assists was on 2/26/05 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*
5 blocks was on 2/26/05 — Teresa Borton (5) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*
5 steals was on 11/27/05 — Megan Duffy (5) vs. USC (ND 73-62)*
a "double-double" was on 12/18/05 — Lindsay Schrader (10 pts., 10 reb.) vs. Utah (ND 68-55) (*Duel in the Desert at Las Vegas, Nev.*)
a "triple-double" was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17 pts., 12 reb., 10 asst.) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)*
20 pts & 10 rebs was on 2/9/05 — Jacqueline Batteast (23 pts., 10 reb.) at Providence (ND 75-57)
20 pts & 20 rebs was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25 pts., 20 reb.) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)

An opposing player had

25 points was on 11/20/05 — Casey Rost (29), Western Michigan (ND 71-68)
30 points was on 1/28/98 — Jen Beisel (30), Villanova (VU 70-54)*
35 points was on 1/16/95 — Angela Simpson (37), Northwestern State (La.) (NSU 103-93) (*NWIT Semifinal at Amarillo, Texas*)
10 rebounds was on 12/17/05 — Adrienne Davie (10), Arkansas State (ND 77-54) (*Duel in the Desert at Las Vegas, Nev.*)
15 rebounds was on 12/22/03 — Ebony Hoffman (16), USC (ND 73-62)*
20 rebounds was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)
10 assists was on 12/4/03 — Stephanie Rich (12), Wisconsin (ND 82-64)*
5 blocks was on 3/1/05 — Monique Blake (5), Seton Hall (ND 41-35)
5 steals was on 3/21/05 — Carrie Buckner (5), Arizona State (ASU 70-61) (*NCAA Tempe Region Second Round at Fresno, Calif.*)
a "double-double" was on 12/17/05 — Adrienne Davie (10 pts., 10 reb.), Arkansas State (ND 77-54) (*Duel in the Desert at Las Vegas, Nev.*)
a "triple-double" was on 1/24/89 — Diana Vines (23 pts., 11 reb., 12 stl.), DePaul (DPU 83-62)

* = indicates Notre Dame home game



2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 7

#24/23 Purdue 65, #10/10 Notre Dame 54
December 7, 2005
Mackey Arena (West Lafayette, Ind.)

Notre Dame (54)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, Smith, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Purdue (65)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Traore, Lawless, Bogdanova, Gearlds, Webb, Howell, George, Campbell, Freeman, Wisdom-Hylton, Duncan, Team, and Totals.

Summary table comparing Notre Dame and Purdue stats: FG Pct, 3-PT FG Pct, FT Pct, Turnovers, Blocked Shots, Steals, Attendance.

FG Pct: Notre Dame 36.2, Purdue 40.4. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 14.3, Purdue 25.0. FT Pct: Notre Dame 61.1, Purdue 75.0. Turnovers: Notre Dame 15, Purdue 18. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 1, Purdue 8 (Campbell 3). Steals: Notre Dame 9 (four with 2), Purdue 9 (four with 2). Attendance: 7,213.

NOTES: The loss snaps Notre Dame's six-game season-opening winning streak ... it was only the third loss for Notre Dame in its last 17 road games ... the Irish are 0-8 all-time at Mackey Arena ... the 11-point margin was the third-smallest in Notre Dame's eight visits to West Lafayette ... a lower-ranked Purdue team has now defeated a higher-ranked Irish squad on three occasions in the series (all three wins have come at Mackey Arena) ... Notre Dame finishes the regular season 3-1 against the Big Ten, setting a school record for Big Ten wins in the regular season ... this marked the first time all season the Irish did not have at least three players scoring in double figures ... Notre Dame also trailed at halftime for the first time this season ... the Irish registered season-lows for points in a half (22) and a game (54) ... junior forward Crystal Erwin collected a career-high 11 rebounds, one more than her previous high of 10 vs. St. John's last season; Erwin also is the fifth different Notre Dame player to lead the team in rebounding this year ... the Irish committed 15 or fewer turnovers for the fourth time in 2005-06.

GAME 8

#13/14 Notre Dame 77, Arkansas State 54
Duel in the Desert - First Round
December 17, 2005
Cox Pavilion (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Arkansas State (54)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Davie, Caraway, Sims, Lock, Abraham, Hiles, Starr, Maglaughlin, Anderson, Brown, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (77)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, Tsipis, Smith, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table comparing Arkansas State and Notre Dame stats: FG Pct, 3-PT FG Pct, FT Pct, Turnovers, Blocked Shots, Steals, Attendance.

FG Pct: Arkansas State 25.5, Notre Dame 43.8. 3-PT FG Pct: Arkansas State 25.0, Notre Dame 40.0. FT Pct: Arkansas State 74.1, Notre Dame 75.0. Turnovers: Arkansas State 21, Notre Dame 11. Blocked Shots: Arkansas State 2, Notre Dame 3 (D'Amico 2). Steals: Arkansas State 7 (Caraway, Davie 2), Notre Dame 10 (Gaines 3). Attendance: 1,297.

NOTES: Notre Dame was playing its first-ever game in the state of Nevada ... the 23-point margin of victory was the largest of the year for Notre Dame (previously 19 vs. Iona on Nov. 29) ... Notre Dame is 3-0 all-time against current Sun Belt Conference schools (one win each vs. Arkansas State, Middle Tennessee and Florida International) ... Notre Dame set season bests for points in a half (45; previous was 42 in the 1st half at Wisconsin on Dec. 4), a game (tied - 77; also at Wisconsin on Dec. 4), field goals made (32; previous was 29 vs. Iona on Nov. 29), field goals attempted (73; previous was 66 vs. Iona on Nov. 29), assists (19; previous was 15 on two occasions) and fewest turnovers (11; previous was 12 at Western Michigan on Nov. 20) ... the Irish held Arkansas State to an opponent season-low .255 field goal percentage, the best defensive performance for Notre Dame since Feb. 5, 2005, when the Irish held Pittsburgh to a .250 mark in a 75-47 victory in the Steel City ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico tallied a career-high 20 points on 10-of-12 shooting in just 18 minutes, breaking her previous scoring best of 13 points vs. USC on Nov. 27, 2005 ... D'Amico also became the first Irish player to average at least a point per minute in a single game (min. 10 minutes) since Dec. 21, 2002, when Courtney LaVere had 20 points in 19 minutes against IPFW at the Joyce Center ... returning to her hometown of Las Vegas, junior guard Breona Gray posted her second double-digit game of the year with 12 points (season-high is 14 points at Indiana on Nov. 23) ... freshman forward Chandrica Smith set new season bests with four points and four rebounds in 18 minutes; previous marks were three points and two boards in six minutes vs. Iona on Nov. 29.

GAME 9

#13/14 Notre Dame 68, #22/21 Utah 55
Duel in the Desert - Championship
December 18, 2005
Cox Pavilion (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Utah (55)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Smith, Perry, Thorburn, Larsen, Filipe, Carlsen, Brouillard, Warburton, Oakley, Warner, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (68)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists stats for Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table comparing Utah and Notre Dame stats: FG Pct, 3-PT FG Pct, FT Pct, Turnovers, Blocked Shots, Steals, Attendance.

FG Pct: Utah 31.6, Notre Dame 45.7. 3-PT FG Pct: Utah 27.8, Notre Dame 33.3. FT Pct: Utah 73.7, Notre Dame 62.2. Turnovers: Utah 15, Notre Dame 14. Blocked Shots: Utah 1, Notre Dame 3 (D'Amico 2). Steals: Utah 4 (Smith 2), Notre Dame 5 (Duffy 3). Attendance: 1,195.

NOTES: Notre Dame wins its 12th regular-season tournament game in the past 13 opportunities, dating back to the 1996-97 season; the Irish also earn their fifth tournament title in the past six tries ... the win over Utah is Notre Dame's second in three games vs. a ranked opponent this season, pairing up with a 73-62 win over No. 24/23 USC on Nov. 27 ... Notre Dame is off to an 8-1 start for the second year in a row, fourth time in eight years and fifth time in school history (also 1978-79 as AIAW Division III program, 1998-99, 2000-01 and 2004-05) ... the Irish are 6-2 (.750) all-time against the Mountain West Conference, including a 2-0 series mark vs. Utah ... Notre Dame led or has been tied at halftime in eight of its nine games this year (all wins) ... the Irish had a season-high five players scoring in double figures, the first time they have had that much balance on offense since last year's season opener (five double-figure scorers on Nov. 12, 2004 vs. Illinois State in the Preseason WNIT at the Joyce Center) ... Notre Dame has featured at least three double-digit scorers in eight of nine games this year (all wins), including four with four or more in double figures (No. 24/23 USC, Iona, Wisconsin and No. 22/21 Utah) ... the Irish trailed for a grand total of 15 seconds in their two wins in Las Vegas, falling behind Utah, 39-38 at the 9:54 mark of the second half, but retaining the lead with two free throws by junior forward Crystal Erwin with 9:39 to play (ND never trailed vs. Arkansas State) ... the Notre Dame defense played a key role in its Duel in the Desert Gray Division title, as the Irish held their two opponents to a combined .286 field goal percentage (32-of-112) and an average of 54.5 ppg. ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico was named the Duel in the Desert Gray Division Most Valuable Player after averaging 16.0 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.0 blocks per game with an astronomical .824 field goal percentage (14-of-17) ... it's the first all-tournament honor of D'Amico's career ... senior guard Megan Duffy also earned a spot on the all-tournament team after logging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists per game with just one turnover in 66 minutes of action; Duffy has now been named to three all-tournament teams in her career, also making the squads for the 2004 Preseason WNIT and 2005 BIG EAST Conference Championship ... perhaps lost a bit in the shuffle, junior guard Breona Gray turned in a solid two-day effort in returning to her hometown of Las Vegas, finishing with 11.5 points per game while shooting .538 from the floor (60 percent from the three-point line) ... junior forward Crystal Erwin tallied a season-high 12 points vs. Utah, her first double-digit game since Jan. 26, 2005 vs. St. John's ... freshman guard Lindsay Schrader chalked up her second double-double this season with 10 points and 10 rebounds vs. Utah (also 10p, 14r vs. Michigan on Nov. 18) ... sophomore guard Charel Allen matched her career high with nine rebounds, tying her personal standard set on two other occasions (most recently at Seton Hall on March 1, 2005).



#1 Tulyah Gaines

Guard • 5-7 • So.-1V • North Las Vegas, Nev. (Cheyenne HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started first three games of the season, the first starting assignments of her career.
- ◆ Had six points, four rebounds and three steals in season-opening win vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points and five rebounds in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Suffered injury to right ankle two minutes into game at Indiana ... *did not play vs. USC.*
- ◆ Returned to action vs. Iona, ending up with five points and four rebounds.
- ◆ Scored season-high 11 points (4-5 FG) at Wisconsin, including critical driving layup to beat shot clock with 1:57 left.
- ◆ Had five points, season-best three assists and career-high tying three steals vs. Arkansas State in Duel in the Desert opener at Las Vegas.



Career Highs

Points

Career.....12 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Rebounds

Career.....9 vs. West Virginia (2/26/05)

Assists

Career..... 4 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Field Goals

Career.....4, twice (MR: at Wisconsin, 12/4/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career....7 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career.....4, three times (MR: vs. Mich., 11/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)

Steals

Career....3, four times (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.....1 at Pittsburgh (2/5/05)

Minutes Played

Career.....27 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0

Double-figure scoring games..... 1/2

20-point games 0/0

Double-figure assist games..... 0/0

5-assist games 0/0

5-steal games..... 0/0

(noted in season/career format)

Gaines' Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	29-0	398-13.7	21-63	.333	0-0	.000	27-42	.643	17	40	57	2.0	39-0	31	56	1	24	69	2.4
2005-06	8-3	138-17.3	10-29	.345	0-0	.000	18-29	.621	7	14	21	2.6	15-0	6	17	0	9	38	4.8
TOTALS	37-3	536-14.5	31-92	.337	0-0	.000	45-71	.634	24	54	78	2.1	54-0	37	73	1	33	107	2.9

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Tulyah Gaines

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	22	1-5	0-0	4-7	0	4	4	2	0	1	0	3	6
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	24	2-3	0-0	2-2	2	3	5	2	1	3	0	0	6
N23	@ Indiana [^]	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
N27	#24/21 USC	Did not play — injured												
N29	Iona	18	1-4	0-0	3-4	2	2	4	1	0	4	0	1	5
D4	@ Wisconsin	24	4-5	0-0	3-5	0	1	1	2	1	3	0	0	11
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue	16	1-4	0-0	1-5	1	2	3	3	1	4	0	2	3
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹	19	1-7	0-0	3-4	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	3	5
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹	13	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	1	2	4	0	1	0	0	2
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
J24	• @ Rutgers													
J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
F4	• Providence													
F7	• Villanova													
F12	• @ DePaul													
F19	• Connecticut													
F22	• @ West Virginia													
F25	• @ Cincinnati													
F28	• Pittsburgh													

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#2 Charel Allen

Guard • 5-11 • So.-1V • Monessen, Pa. (Monessen HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has come off bench in every game this season as she gradually works her way back to full strength (off-season surgery to repair torn ACL from 2005 NCAA Tournament).
- ◆ Scored game-high 16 points (6-14 FG) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Cracked double figures for second time this season with 11 points and career-high tying four assists at Indiana — six points came in game-changing 27-8 second-half run.
- ◆ Tossed in 13 points (4-7 FG) and hit three key free throws in the final minute to preserve victory over #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Had six points, five rebounds and three assists against Iona.
- ◆ Registered seven points at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Matched career high with nine rebounds vs. #22/21 Utah in helping Irish win Duel in the Desert Gray Division championship.



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 17 at Syracuse (1/19/05)

Rebounds

Career.....9, three times (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Assists

Career... 4, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/23/05)

Field Goals

Career.. 7, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 14 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 2, twice (MR: at Syracuse, 1/19/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 4 at Purdue (12/7/05)

Free Throws

Career..... 8 at Seton Hall (3/1/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 8, three times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Steals

Career.....5 vs. Colorado State (11/22/04)

Blocked Shots

Career.....2, twice (MR: vs. CSU, 11/22/04)

Minutes Played

Career.....32, three times (MR: at Pitt., 2/5/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games 3/12
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/1
(noted in season/career format)

Allen's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	33-0	794-24.1	87-199	.437	7-16	.438	72-85	.847	48	89	137	4.2	63-1	47	60	11	39	253	7.7
2005-06	9-0	202-22.4	25-61	.410	3-9	.333	17-25	.680	10	31	41	4.6	13-0	13	15	2	9	70	7.8
TOTALS	42-0	996-23.7	112-260	.431	10-25	.400	89-110	.809	58	120	178	4.2	76-1	60	75	13	48	323	7.7

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Charel Allen

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan	28	6-14	0-1	4-4	2	3	5	3	0	4	1	2	16
N20	@ Western Michigan	18	2-5	0-0	0-2	3	2	5	0	1	1	0	1	4
N23	@ Indiana	29	5-8	1-2	0-1	0	4	4	2	4	3	0	1	11
N27	#24/21 USC	22	4-7	1-2	4-8	1	3	4	3	2	1	1	0	13
N29	Iona	22	2-7	0-0	2-2	1	4	5	1	3	0	0	2	6
D4	@ Wisconsin	17	2-4	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	2	5
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue	23	2-7	1-4	2-2	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	7
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹	19	1-6	0-0	2-2	1	4	5	2	1	1	0	1	4
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹	24	1-3	0-0	2-2	2	7	9	1	1	3	0	0	4
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
J24	• @ Rutgers													
J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
F4	• Providence													
F7	• Villanova													
F12	• @ DePaul													
F19	• Connecticut													
F22	• @ West Virginia													
F25	• @ Cincinnati													
F28	• Pittsburgh													

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#11 Amanda Tsipis

Guard • 5-9 • So.-1V • Perry, Ohio (Perry HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Made 2005-06 season debut vs. Iona (0-1 3FG in three minutes).
- ◆ Matched career high with five minutes of action vs. Arkansas State (no stats).
- ◆ Scored four points in each of Notre Dame's two exhibition games this year.



Career Highs

Points

Career.. 2, three times (MR: vs. WVU, 2/26/05)

Rebounds

Career.....1 at Pittsburgh (2/5/05)

Assists

Career.....1 at Dayton (12/9/04)

Field Goals

Career... 1, twice (MR: vs. WVU, 2/26/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 1, six times (MR: vs. Iona, 11/29/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....1 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Free Throws

Career.....2 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....2 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Steals

Career.....None

Blocked Shots

Career.....None

Minutes Played

Career.....5, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0

Double-figure scoring games..... 0/0

20-point games 0/0

Double-figure assist games..... 0/0

5-assist games 0/0

5-steal games..... 0/0

(noted in season/career format)

Tsipis' Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2004-05	12-0	32-2.7	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	0.1	1-0	1	2	0	0	6	0.5
2005-06	2-0	8-4.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TOTALS	14-0	40-2.9	2-6	.333	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	0.1	1-0	1	2	0	0	6	0.4

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Amanda Tsipis

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana		Did not play											
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D4	@ Wisconsin		Did not play											
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue		Did not play											
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹		Did not play											
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
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#13 Megan Duffy

Guard • 5-7 • Sr.-3V • Dayton, Ohio (Chaminade-Julienne HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Nov. 28, Dec. 5, Dec. 19)
- ◆ Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) All-Tournament Team
- ◆ State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
- ◆ John R. Wooden Women's Award Preseason All-American
- ◆ First-team preseason All-American (Women's Basketball News Service)
- ◆ Third-team preseason All-American (*Lindy's College Basketball Annual*)
- ◆ "Terrific 10" (*Street & Smith's*)
- ◆ Top five point guards in the nation (ESPN.com)
- ◆ Preseason all-BIG EAST Conference
- ◆ Senior CLASS Award Nominee

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Team co-captain (second year).
- ◆ Started all nine games this year (46 starts in a row and 73 of past 74 games; only non-start came March 2, 2004 vs. Syracuse, after yielding place in lineup for Senior Night).
- ◆ Leads team and ranks among top 10 in BIG EAST Conference in scoring (8th - 16.1 ppg.), free throw percentage (3rd - .905; also 21st in NCAA), steals (3rd - 2.78 spg.), assists (5th - 5.00 apg.) and assist/turnover ratio (tie-3rd - 2.50).
- ◆ Tallied team-best 19 points and seven rebounds at Western Michigan; also connected on four free throws in the final 26 seconds to seal victory.
- ◆ Pumped in career-high 26 points (8-15 FG, 3-6 3FG) at Indiana, including 13 in a game-changing 27-8 run late in the second half ... also dished out five assists and had four steals without a turnover while playing all 40 minutes.
- ◆ Finished with game-best 19 points vs. #24/21 USC, along with six assists (one turnover) and six steals.
- ◆ Registered 17 of her game-high 21 points vs. Iona in the second half, going 7-of-10 from the floor (3-6 3FG) while playing just 12 minutes in final frame ... also picked up 900th career points and 400th career assist (sixth player in school history with 400 assists).
- ◆ Scored game-best 20 points at Wisconsin, including 6-of-6 free throws in final 30 seconds, while adding six rebounds, five assists and three steals.
- ◆ Logged 13 points, six assists and five rebounds against Arkansas State.
- ◆ Notched 12 points and eight assists (no turnovers) in 40-minute effort vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Now 34 points away from becoming 21st 1,000-point scorer in program history (classmate and co-captain Courtney LaVere is 40 points away).

Duffy In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Second in free throw percentage (.852)
- ◆ Second in minutes per game (31.79)
- ◆ Sixth in assists (421)
- ◆ Sixth in assists per game (3.97)
- ◆ Sixth in three-point field goals made (118)
- ◆ Sixth in three-point field goal attempts (324)
- ◆ Seventh in free throws made (306)
- ◆ Eighth in minutes played (3,370)
- ◆ Ninth in steals per game (1.75)

Duffy's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2002-03	32-5	748-23.4	22-91	.242	7-35	.200	45-59	.763	9	51	60	1.9	59-1	73	78	1	26	96	3.0
2003-04	32-31	1066-33.3	93-231	.403	46-114	.404	86-105	.819	11	82	93	2.9	56-0	125	92	1	45	318	9.9
2004-05	33-33	1222-37.0	110-252	.437	50-125	.400	137-153	.895	7	94	101	3.1	50-0	178	103	2	90	407	12.3
2005-06	9-9	334-37.1	46-112	.411	15-50	.300	38-42	.905	5	31	36	4.0	15-0	45	18	1	25	145	16.1
TOTALS	106-78	3370-31.8	271-686	.395	118-324	.364	306-359	.852	32	258	290	2.7	180-1	421	291	5	186	966	9.1



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 26 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 8 vs. Villanova (3/9/03)

Assists

Career..... 11 vs. Rutgers (1/23/05)

Field Goals

Career.....9 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.....20 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 6 vs. Wisconsin (12/4/03)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....11 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Free Throws

Career..... 11 at St. John's (2/17/04)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 13 at St. John's (2/17/04)

Steals

Career..... 7, three times (MR: at UConn, 1/30/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.... 1, five times (MR: vs. Iona, 11/29/05)

Minutes Played

Career.... 45 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/2
 Double-figure scoring games..... 8/48
 20-point games 3/8
 Double-figure assist games..... 0/4
 5-assist games 6/42
 5-steal games..... 1/6
(noted in season/career format)

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Megan Duffy

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	39	0-5	0-0	3-4	1	3	4	1	8	3	0	4	3
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	39	5-10	1-4	8-8	0	7	7	1	2	3	0	2	19
N23	@ Indiana [^]	40	8-15	3-6	7-8	0	1	1	2	5	0	0	4	26
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	40	6-16	3-8	4-4	0	2	2	1	6	1	0	6	19
N29	Iona [^]	31	9-20	3-11	0-0	0	2	2	1	3	0	1	1	21
D4	@ Wisconsin [^]	39	5-14	1-5	9-10	3	3	6	3	5	5	0	3	20
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue [^]	40	4-11	0-3	4-4	0	7	7	3	2	5	0	0	12
D17	vs. Arkansas State ^{1^}	26	5-11	3-8	0-0	1	4	5	1	6	1	0	2	13
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ^{1^}	40	4-10	1-5	3-4	0	2	2	2	8	0	0	3	12
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
J24	• @ Rutgers													
J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
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What They're Saying About Megan Duffy ...

- ◆ “Megan Duffy is one of the best I’ve ever seen. I absolutely love that kid, but hate to play against her.” — *Purdue head coach Kristy Curry*
- ◆ “Notre Dame has one of the best point guards in the country in Megan Duffy.” — *Wisconsin head coach Lisa Stone*
- ◆ “She’s the premier point guard in the country.” — *Iona head coach Anthony Bozzella*
- ◆ “If you have a great point guard, you’re going to have a great team. She’s just a phenomenal point guard.” — *Indiana head coach Sharon Versyp*
- ◆ “She’s really unbelievable. You can just tell, diving on the floor and never quitting. She’s just special. That’s the thing that takes a program to the next level.” — *St. John’s head coach Kim Barnes Arico*
- ◆ “Megan is truly a quarterback on the floor. She has great instincts, and is as tough as tough can be. She is the ultimate team player, and really the type of player that you love to coach.” — *Kathy Delaney-Smith, head coach of the 2005 USA World University Games Team*
- ◆ “I hope we never have to play Duffy again. She hit tough shot after tough shot after tough shot.” — *Arizona State head coach Charli Turner Thorne (following 2005 NCAA Tournament second-round game)*

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Brittney Bolden

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana		Did not play											
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D4	@ Wisconsin		Did not play											
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue		Did not play											
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹		Did not play											
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹		Did not play											
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
J24	• @ Rutgers													
J28	• South Florida													
J31	• @ Syracuse													
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F19	• Connecticut													
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#21 Chandrica Smith

Forward • 6-1 • Fr.-HS • Stone Mountain, Ga. (Oak Hill Academy (Va.))

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ One of four freshmen on this year's Notre Dame roster.
- ◆ Made college debut at Indiana, playing three minutes (0-1 FG, one foul).
- ◆ Had first collegiate stats vs. Iona, finishing with three points, two rebounds and a steal.
- ◆ Made only field goal attempt (two points) in three minutes at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Set new season highs with four points (2-4 FG) and four rebounds in 18 minutes against Arkansas State.



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 4 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 4 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Assists

Career..... 1 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goals

Career..... 2 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 4 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career.....1 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....2, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Steals

Career.....1 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.....None

Minutes Played

Career.. 18 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games..... 0/0
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Smith's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2005-06	4-0	30-7.5	4-7	.571	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	2	4	6	1.5	5-0	1	4	0	1	9	2.3
TOTALS	4-0	30-7.5	4-7	.571	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	2	4	6	1.5	5-0	1	4	0	1	9	2.3

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Chandrica Smith

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona	6	1-1	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	3
D4	@ Wisconsin		Did not play											
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹	18	2-4	0-0	0-2	2	2	4	3	1	3	0	0	4
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹		Did not play											
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
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F22	• @ West Virginia													
F25	• @ Cincinnati													
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2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Christine Trezza

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan		Did not play											
N20	@ Western Michigan		Did not play											
N23	@ Indiana		Did not play											
N27	#24/21 USC		Did not play											
N29	Iona	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D4	@ Wisconsin		Did not play											
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue		Did not play											
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹		Did not play											
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹		Did not play											
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
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#24 Lindsay Schrader

Guard • 6-0 • Fr.-HS • Bartlett, Ill. (Bartlett HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Freshman of the Week (Nov. 21)
- ◆ BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Dec. 5)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all nine games this season ... became first Notre Dame freshman to start season opener since Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton vs. Valparaiso on Nov. 18, 2001.
- ◆ Leads team in rebounding (6.1 rpg.), second in assists (2.1 apg.) and average minutes (28.4), and third in scoring (9.4 ppg.) and field goal percentage (.451).
- ◆ Opened college career with a bang, posting double-double vs. Michigan with 10 points and 14 rebounds ... only second player in school history to register double-double in college debut (Shari Matvey - 21p, 14r vs. Marion on Nov. 30, 1979) ... 14 rebounds also most by Irish player since Batteast's 18 boards at Connecticut on Feb. 23, 2003.
- ◆ Tossed in 11 points and grabbed five rebounds at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Contributed seven points, four rebounds, three assists and two blocks at Indiana.
- ◆ Had eight points, four rebounds in victory over #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Logged season-high 14 points (6-9 FG) in only 22 minutes vs. Iona.
- ◆ Had perfect shooting day at Wisconsin, going 6-of-6 from the floor (including her first three-pointer of the year) and winding up with 13 points ... shooting performance was one made shot away from tying school record for field goal percentage by a freshman.
- ◆ Collected team-high eight rebounds and season-best four assists vs. Arkansas State.
- ◆ Registered second double-double of season with 10 points and game-high 10 rebounds against No. 22/21 Utah in title game of Duel in the Desert (Gray Division).



Career Highs

Points

Career.....14 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Rebounds

Career.....14 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)

Assists

Career.....4 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goals

Career.....6, twice (MR: at Wisconsin, 12/4/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.....15 at Purdue (12/7/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....1 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....1 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Free Throws

Career.....2, four times (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Steals

Career.....2 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.....2 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Minutes Played

Career.....33, three times (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles.....2/2
 Double-figure scoring games.....5/5
 20-point games.....0/0
 Double-figure rebound games.....2/2
 5-assist games.....0/0
 5-steal games.....0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Schrader's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg.
2005-06	9-9	256-28.4	37-82	.451	1-1	1.000	10-28	.357	9	46	55	6.1	19-1	19	21	2	8	85	9.4
TOTALS	9-9	256-28.4	37-82	.451	1-1	1.000	10-28	.357	9	46	55	6.1	19-1	19	21	2	8	85	9.4

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Lindsay Schrader

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	33	4-9	0-0	2-6	3	11	14	3	2	1	0	1	10
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	28	5-11	0-0	1-2	1	4	5	2	0	1	0	1	11
N23	@ Indiana [^]	33	3-7	0-0	1-4	0	4	4	1	3	1	2	0	7
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	27	3-7	0-0	2-7	0	4	4	1	2	8	0	1	8
N29	Iona [^]	22	6-9	0-0	2-3	0	3	3	5	2	3	0	2	14
D4	@ Wisconsin [^]	28	6-6	1-1	0-0	1	4	5	2	0	4	0	1	13
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue [^]	26	3-15	0-0	0-1	0	2	2	1	3	0	0	1	6
D17	vs. Arkansas State ^{1^}	26	3-8	0-0	0-0	3	5	8	2	4	2	0	0	6
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ^{1^}	33	4-10	0-0	2-5	1	9	10	2	3	1	0	1	10
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
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F12	• @ DePaul													
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#32 Breona Gray

Guard • 5-9 • Jr.-2V • Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Came off the bench in first three games before moving into the starting lineup.
- ◆ Had six points (4-4 FT) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Was key factor in win at Indiana, replacing injured Tulyah Gaines early in first half and going on to score 14 points (6-11 FG, 2-5 3FG) ...10 of her markers came in first half.
- ◆ Made first start of the season vs. #24/21 USC, collecting career-high eight rebounds and matching personal standard with three steals.
- ◆ Had seven points at Wisconsin, including three-pointer that put Irish ahead to stay with 6:03 left, and had critical offensive rebound of missed FT with 21 seconds remaining.
- ◆ Has successful homecoming at Duel in the Desert in Las Vegas ... scored 12 points in opening-day win over Arkansas State ... came back with 11 points, including two early three-pointers, in Gray Division title game vs. #22/21 Utah.



Career Highs

Points

Career.....17 vs. Syracuse (1/5/05)

Rebounds

Career.....8 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Assists

Career.....5 vs. Purdue (1/16/05)

Field Goals

Career.. 6, three times (MR: vs. Ind., 11/23/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 13 vs. Nebraska (11/14/04)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 2, twice (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 5 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Free Throws

Career... 5, twice (MR: vs. West Va., 3/6/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. Syracuse (1/5/05)

Steals

Career.....3, four times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 2 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Minutes Played

Career.. 35, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/9/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games..... 3/10
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/1
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Gray's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2003-04	29-0	330-11.4	24-58	.414	0-10	.000	17-27	.630	13	32	45	1.6	25-0	8	25	2	13	65	2.2
2004-05	33-33	788-23.9	69-188	.367	2-6	.333	40-57	.702	35	75	110	3.3	31-0	54	54	2	41	180	5.5
2005-06	9-6	221-24.6	20-51	.392	6-21	.286	12-13	.923	8	17	25	2.8	12-0	10	15	2	9	58	6.4
TOTALS	71-39	1339-18.9	113-297	.380	8-37	.216	69-97	.711	56	124	180	2.5	68-0	72	94	6	63	303	4.3

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Breona Gray

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan	21	1-7	0-3	4-4	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	6
N20	@ Western Michigan	23	3-7	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	6
N23	@ Indiana	33	6-11	2-5	0-0	0	2	2	1	1	1	0	1	14
N27	#24/21 USC^	30	0-3	0-1	2-2	2	6	8	1	1	3	0	3	2
N29	Iona^	23	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	2	3	0	1	1	0	2	0
D4	@ Wisconsin^	24	3-5	1-3	0-0	2	1	3	3	0	3	2	0	7
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue^	16	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
D17	vs. Arkansas State ¹ ^	26	4-7	1-1	3-3	1	3	4	1	3	2	0	0	12
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ ^	25	3-6	2-4	3-4	1	1	2	3	1	2	0	1	11
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
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F19	• Connecticut													
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#33 Melissa D'Amico

Center • 6-5 • So.-1V • Manorville, N.Y. (William Floyd HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) Most Valuable Player
- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week (Dec. 19)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all nine games this season, the first starting assignments of her career.
- ◆ Leads team and ranks fourth in BIG EAST in blocked shots (1.67 bpg.) ... also tops on squad in field goal percentage (.569) and would rank third in conference, but has not yet made enough shots to qualify (min. 5.0 per game) ... second on team in scoring (10.3 ppg.) and rebounding (6.0 rpg.).
- ◆ Made first career start in season opener vs. Michigan, recording second-ever double-digit scoring night with 10 points and seven rebounds.
- ◆ Turned in first career double-double vs. #24/21 USC, logging 13 points (6-10 FG) and career-high 10 rebounds.
- ◆ Nearly had second consecutive double-double with 10 points and team-high eight rebounds against Iona.
- ◆ Had another solid outing at Wisconsin with 11 points (3-5 FG) and eight rebounds.
- ◆ Registered easily her best weekend as a collegian, earning Gray Division MVP honors at the Duel in the Desert after averaging 16.0 points and 6.5 rebounds with an .824 field goal percentage (14-17) as the Irish won the title.
- ◆ Dropped in career-high 20 points of 10-of-12 shooting in only 18 minutes of action against Arkansas State.
- ◆ Came back with team-high 13 points (4-5 FG) and seven rebounds vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Averaging 12.3 points and 7.0 rebounds with a .604 field goal percentage (29-48) in the past six games.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 20 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 10 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Assists

Career.... 1, six times (MR: at Wisconsin, 12/4/05)

Field Goals

Career.. 10 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.. 12 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career..... 5, twice (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 10 vs. Utah (12/18/05)

Steals

Career.....2, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.....3, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/18/05)

Minutes Played

Career....32, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 1/1
 Double-figure scoring games..... 6/7
 20-point games..... 1/1
 Double-figure rebound games..... 1/1
 5-block games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

D'Amico's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2004-05	26-0	159-6.1	21-48	.438	0-0	.000	7-16	.438	15	22	37	1.4	34-0	4	14	12	3	49	1.9
2005-06	9-9	213-23.7	37-65	.569	0-0	.000	19-32	.594	20	34	54	6.0	25-0	2	14	15	5	93	10.3
TOTALS	35-9	372-10.6	58-113	.513	0-0	.000	26-48	.542	35	56	91	2.6	59-0	6	28	27	8	142	4.1

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Melissa D'Amico

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	25	4-9	0-0	2-4	2	5	7	3	0	1	1	0	10
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	16	4-7	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	4	1	0	2	0	8
N23	@ Indiana [^]	9	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	4	0	1	3	0	1
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	32	6-10	0-0	1-3	3	7	10	2	0	2	1	0	13
N29	Iona [^]	27	4-10	0-0	2-3	4	4	8	2	0	2	1	1	10
D4	@ Wisconsin [^]	26	3-5	0-0	5-6	4	4	8	2	1	3	2	0	11
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue [^]	28	2-6	0-0	3-4	1	2	3	2	0	1	1	2	7
D17	vs. Arkansas State ^{1^}	18	10-12	0-0	0-0	2	4	6	4	0	0	2	2	20
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ^{1^}	32	4-5	0-0	5-10	2	5	7	2	0	4	2	0	13
D28	Valparaiso													
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J4	• @ St. John's													
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#34 Crystal Erwin

Forward • 6-2 • Jr.-2V • Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. (St. Paul HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all nine games this season, coming off impressive summer workouts and strong improvement in her all-around game.
- ◆ Had quality minutes in win at Western Michigan, finishing with seven points and five rebounds.
- ◆ Registered perfect shooting night at Indiana (3-3 FG, 3-3 FT), ending up with nine points and four rebounds despite picking up fourth foul with 13 minutes to play.
- ◆ Had seven rebounds in 20 minutes vs. #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Collected five points and three rebounds against Iona.
- ◆ Tallied seven points and career-high 11 rebounds at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Posted first double-digit scoring performance of the season with 12 points (4-8 FG), along with seven rebounds in Duel in the Desert title game vs. #22/21 Utah.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 24 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Rebounds

Career..... 11 at Purdue (12/7/05)

Assists

Career.... 3, twice (MR: vs. BC, 2/2/05)

Field Goals

Career.....9, twice (MR: vs. Wash., 12/11/04)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 15 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 1 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Free Throws

Career..... 7 vs. Dayton (12/13/03)

Free Throw Attempts

Career....9, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 1/26/05)

Steals

Career..... 4 vs. Middle Tenn. (3/23/04)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 2 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Minutes Played

Career... 34 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/1
 Double-figure scoring games..... 1/8
 20-point games 0/2
 Double-figure rebound games 1/2
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Erwin's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2003-04	32-0	353-11.0	42-94	.447	0-0	.000	22-42	.524	26	41	67	2.1	72-2	15	45	7	23	106	3.3
2004-05	33-17	579-17.5	67-162	.414	0-0	.000	40-71	.563	51	75	126	3.8	82-4	29	55	8	18	174	5.3
2005-06	9-9	193-21.4	16-40	.400	0-1	.000	18-25	.720	18	30	48	5.3	27-1	10	19	3	6	50	5.6
TOTALS	74-26	1125-15.2	125-296	.422	0-1	.000	80-138	.580	95	146	241	3.3	181-7	54	119	18	47	330	4.5

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Crystal Erwin

Date	Opponent	Min	FG-FGA	3FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts
N18	Michigan [^]	17	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	2	0	5	0	0	0
N20	@ Western Michigan [^]	28	2-9	0-0	3-4	1	4	5	2	2	2	1	1	7
N23	@ Indiana [^]	21	3-3	0-0	3-3	2	2	4	4	1	2	0	0	9
N27	#24/21 USC [^]	20	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	6	7	2	1	5	0	1	2
N29	Iona [^]	17	1-3	0-0	3-6	1	2	3	3	2	2	0	1	5
D4	@ Wisconsin [^]	22	1-3	0-0	2-2	0	3	3	3	2	1	2	0	4
D7	@ #24/23 Purdue [^]	26	3-5	0-0	1-2	6	5	11	4	1	0	0	2	7
D17	vs. Arkansas State ^{1^}	21	2-6	0-1	0-0	2	3	5	5	1	1	0	1	4
D18	vs. #22/21 Utah ^{1^}	21	4-8	0-0	4-6	3	4	7	2	0	1	0	0	12
D28	Valparaiso													
D31	Tennessee													
J4	• @ St. John's													
J7	• Seton Hall													
J10	• Marquette													
J14	• @ Louisville													
J17	• DePaul													
J21	• @ Georgetown													
J24	• @ Rutgers													
J28	• South Florida													
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#41 Courtney LaVere

Forward • 6-3 • Sr.-3V • Ventura, Calif. (Buena HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Team co-captain (first year).
- ◆ Has come off the bench in all nine games this season, part of solid second platoon for the Irish.
- ◆ Second on team in field goal percentage (.466) and fourth in scoring (8.3 ppg.).
- ◆ Notched first double-digit game of season with 10 points and five rebounds (four offensive) at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Had solid all-around effort at Indiana with six points (3-4 FG) and eight rebounds, including five critical boards in final seven minutes ... also logged 900th career point and 100th career block vs. the Hoosiers (eighth player in school history with 100 blocks).
- ◆ Sparked Irish past #24/21 USC with season-high 16 points (7-11 FG) in 29 minutes ... made first five shots from the field.
- ◆ Added 10 points (5-8 FG) and five rebounds vs. Iona, connecting on her first four shots of the game.
- ◆ Went 5-of-7 from floor at #24/23 Purdue, finishing with 10 points.
- ◆ Closing in on two career milestones — 40 points away from becoming 21st 1,000-point scorer in school history (classmate Megan Duffy is 34 points away) ... also 25 rebounds from 500 for her career.
- ◆ Shooting at .528 clip from floor (28-53) in past six games since starting year 6-for-20 (.300).

LaVere In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Eighth in blocked shots (103)
- ◆ Ninth in blocks per game (1.02)



Career Highs

Points

Career.....23, twice (MR: vs. Rutgers, 1/18/03)

Rebounds

Career.....13 vs. SMS (3/21/04)

Assists

Career..5, twice (MR: vs. Illinois St., 11/12/04)

Field Goals

Career...9, three times (MR: vs. Wis., 12/4/03)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.....16, three times (MR: vs. Wis., 12/4/03)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....1, five times (MR: at Syr., 1/19/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....2 vs. Penn State (3/27/04)

Free Throws

Career.....12 at Villanova (1/25/03)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....16 at Villanova (1/25/03)

Steals

Career.....4 vs. USC (12/22/03)

Blocked Shots

Career.....5 at Marquette (12/31/02)

Minutes Played

Career.....36 at Marquette (12/31/02)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles.....0/8
 Double-figure scoring games.....4/47
 20-point games0/6
 Double-figure rebound games2/8
 5-block games.....0/1
(noted in season/career format)

LaVere's Career Statistics

Season	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-3FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts	Avg
2002-03	32-10	723-22.6	151-311	.486	1-3	.333	95-136	.699	81	99	180	5.6	88-5	21	80	27	19	398	12.4
2003-04	32-17	709-22.2	113-274	.412	3-10	.300	47-85	.553	61	84	145	4.5	87-1	30	75	41	36	276	8.6
2004-05	28-16	583-20.8	88-190	.463	1-6	.167	34-59	.576	34	76	110	3.9	61-2	37	57	28	26	211	7.5
2005-06	9-0	202-22.4	34-73	.466	0-0	.000	7-10	.700	22	18	40	4.4	19-0	12	11	7	8	75	8.3
TOTALS	101-43	2217-22.0	386-848	.455	5-19	.263	183-290	.631	198	277	475	4.7	255-8	100	223	103	89	960	9.5

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