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NOTRE DAME

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2004-05 Irish Schedule/Results (9-1, 0-0 BIG EAST)

November

12	#	(10/11) Illinois State	W, 92-73
14	#	(10/11) Nebraska	W, 73-57
17	#	(11/10) Duke (6/6)	W, 76-65
20	#	(11/10) Ohio State (10/9)	W, 66-62
22		(6/6) Colorado State	W, 69-47
26		(6/6) at USC	W, 60-56
30		(3/3) at Valparaiso	W, 69-59

December

2		(3/3) Michigan St. (15/15)	L, 73-82 (ot)
9		(7/5) at Dayton	W, 65-39
11		(7/5) Washington	W, 72-58
19		at Marquette	1:00 CT
30		at Northern Illinois	7:00 CT

January

2	*	Seton Hall	2:00 ET
5	*	Syracuse	7:00 ET
9	*	at Villanova (BETV)	2:00 ET
12	*	Connecticut (CSTV)	8:00 ET
16	\$	Purdue (ESPN2)	5:00 ET
19	*	at Syracuse	7:00 ET
23	*	Rutgers (BETV)	2:00 ET
26	*	St. John's (COM)	7:00 ET
30	*	at Connecticut (ESPN2)	7:00 ET

February

2	*	Boston College	7:00 ET
5	*	at Pittsburgh	2:00 ET
9	*	at Providence	7:30 ET
12	*	Georgetown (COM)	2:00 ET
15	*	at Boston College (CSTV)	7:00 ET
19	*	at Rutgers	Noon ET
26	*	West Virginia (COM)	2:00 ET

March

1	*	at Seton Hall	7:00 ET
5-8	%	BIG EAST Championship	
19-22		NCAA First/Second Rounds (ESPN)	
26-29		NCAA Regionals (ESPN)	

April

3-5		NCAA Final Four (Indianapolis, Ind.)	
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* BIG EAST Conference game

Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT (contested at campus sites)

\$ BIG EAST/Big Ten Challenge (Notre Dame, Ind.)

% To be played at Hartford Civic Center (Hartford, Conn.)

(COM) Game to be televised on Comcast Local (Detroit)

(CSTV) Game to be televised on College Sports Television

(ESPN/ESPN2) Game to be televised on ESPN or ESPN2

(BETV) Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package

Numbers before opponent name indicate Notre Dame's ranking in AP and ESPN/USA Today polls at tipoff; numbers after opponent name indicate its ranking; one number indicates AP rank only.

Boldface indicates home game played at Joyce Center (11,418)
All times are local to site // Dates and times subject to change

GAME 11

(#7 AP/#5 ESPN/USA Today) **Notre Dame Fighting Irish (9-1)**
vs. **Marquette Golden Eagles (6-2)**

The Date and Time: Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004, at 1 p.m. CT (2 p.m. ET in South Bend).

The Site: Al McGuire Center (4,000) in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Tickets: Still available through the Notre Dame athletics ticket office (574-631-7356) and the Marquette athletics ticket office (414-288-7127).

The Radio Plans: Sunday's game will be broadcast live on WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1580) and WNDV-AM (1490) in South Bend with **Sean Stires** (play-by-play) calling the action. These broadcasts also are available through the Notre Dame athletics web site at www.und.com.

Web Sites: Notre Dame (www.und.com), Marquette (www.gomarquette.com).

#7/5 NOTRE DAME PREPARES FOR SUNDAY MATINEE MATCHUP AT MARQUETTE

After spending the better part of the past week concentrating on final exams, No. 7/5 Notre Dame will turn its focus back to the basketball court as it travels to Milwaukee Sunday for a 1 p.m. (CT) contest at Marquette. The Irish will be playing their only game in a 19-day span, with the team scheduled to break for the Christmas holiday following Sunday's contest.

Notre Dame (9-1) has not taken the floor since Dec. 11, when the Irish led virtually from the opening tip to the final horn in a 72-58 victory over Washington at the Joyce Center. Sparked by a season-best .60 field goal percentage (29-of-48) and a strong 38-28 edge on the glass, Notre Dame opened up a double-digit lead midway through the first half and then used a 14-2 run in the second half to beat back a rally by the Huskies.

Sophomore forward **Crystal Erwin** posted career highs of 24 points and seven rebounds to lead four Notre Dame scorers in double figures. Erwin made all nine of her shots from the floor, tying an 18-year-old arena record, and her shooting performance also matched the second-best mark in school history. Senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** chipped in with her second double-double of the season (and 34th of her career), carding 17 points and a game-high 10 rebounds for the Irish.

Like Notre Dame, Marquette (6-2) has not played in the past eight days, following a 78-61 win at Rhode Island on Dec. 11. Junior guard Carolyn Kieger scored a team-high 21 points and senior forward Lesley Juedes added 17 points off the bench to pace the Golden Eagles, who snapped a two-game losing skid.

Kieger is one of three players scoring in double figures for Marquette this season, posting a team-high 13.9 points per game along with 6.6 assists per night. Sophomore forward Christina Quaye is second in scoring (13.0 ppg.) and first in rebounding (7.0 rpg.) for the Golden Eagles.

Head coach Terri Mitchell is in her ninth season at Marquette with a 157-88 (.641) career record.

LAST IRISH GAME

#7/5 Notre Dame 72, Washington 58
December 11, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Washington (58)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bell	26	4-10	0-0	0-0	6	1	4	8
Watson	25	4-11	0-2	0-1	1	3	0	8
Hicks	21	2-6	0-1	2-2	4	3	0	6
Burt	33	5-10	3-7	3-3	3	1	1	16
O'Neill	28	2-5	2-5	0-0	4	3	3	6
Craddock	10	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	2	0
Florence	12	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	2	1	0
Banks	16	2-7	0-2	2-3	2	1	2	6
Castro	5	0-2	0-1	0-0	2	2	0	0
Clark	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
O'Hara	17	2-6	0-0	4-4	2	0	3	8
Plouffe	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					3			
Totals	200	21-62	5-20	11-14	28	17	16	58

Notre Dame (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	32	7-13	0-0	3-5	10	4	4	17
Erwin	34	9-9	0-0	6-9	7	2	3	24
Borton	26	5-7	0-0	0-0	3	2	4	10
Duffy	39	2-5	0-2	2-2	4	10	1	6
Gray	31	5-6	0-0	1-2	5	2	0	11
Gaines	15	0-3	0-0	2-2	0	4	2	2
Allen	17	1-4	0-1	0-0	3	1	4	2
Powers	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
D'Amico	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Team					5			
Totals	200	29-48	0-3	14-20	38	25	19	72

Washington	25	33	--	58
Notre Dame	36	36	--	72

FG Pct: Washington 33.9, Notre Dame 60.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Washington 25.0, Notre Dame 0.0. **FT Pct:** Washington 78.6, Notre Dame 70.0. **Turnovers:** Washington 14, Notre Dame 20. **Blocked Shots:** Washington 3, Notre Dame 1. **Steals:** Washington 10 (Burt 4), Notre Dame 10 (Duffy 3). **Attendance:** 5,407.



ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL
(Dec. 13)

Rk.	Team	Record	Previous
1.	LSU (45)	7-0	1
2.	Stanford	6-0	2
3.	Duke	8-1	3
4.	Texas	4-2	4
5.	North Carolina	8-1	5
6.	Baylor	7-1	6
7.	NOTRE DAME	9-1	7
8.	Connecticut	4-1	8
9.	Tennessee	5-2	9
10.	Ohio State	8-1	10
11.	Michigan State	8-1	12
12.	Texas Tech	5-1	13
13.	Minnesota	8-1	16
14.	Boston College	7-1	17
15.	Georgia	7-3	11
16.	UCLA	6-1	18
17.	Vanderbilt	7-1	14
18.	Maryland	7-1	19
19.	Houston	8-0	22
20.	Purdue	6-2	21
21.	DePaul	6-2	15
22.	Rutgers	5-1	20
23.	Arizona State	7-0	NR
24.	Iowa	8-0	NR
25.	Kansas State	5-2	25

ESPN/USA TODAY POLL
(Dec. 14)

Rk.	Team	Record	Previous
1.	LSU (40)	7-0	1
2.	Stanford	6-0	2
3.	Duke	8-1	3
4.	Texas	4-2	4
5.	NOTRE DAME	9-1	5
6.	North Carolina	8-1	7
7.	Ohio State	8-1	6
8.	Connecticut	4-1	8
9.	Baylor	7-1	10
10.	Tennessee	5-2	9
11.	Michigan State	8-1	12
12.	Texas Tech	5-1	13
13.	Minnesota	8-1	16
14.	Vanderbilt	7-1	11
15.	Houston	8-0	17
16.	Georgia	7-3	14
17.	UCLA	6-1	20
18.	Purdue	6-2	19
19.	Boston College	7-1	18
20.	DePaul	6-2	15
21.	Maryland	7-1	21
22.	Kansas State	5-2	22
23.	Iowa	8-0	NR
24.	Oregon	7-0	NR
25.	Arizona State	7-0	NR

Italics indicates 2004-05 Notre Dame opponents

A QUICK LOOK AT THE FIGHTING IRISH

With four starters and seven monogram winners back in the fold, Notre Dame would appear to have all the pieces in place for a magical 2004-05 season.

Tested early and often by both a rugged schedule (eight games in the first 20 days of the season) and demanding opposition (No. 6 Duke, No. 10 Ohio State and No. 15 Michigan State), the Irish have been up to the challenge, opening with seven consecutive victories and claiming the Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT championship. The pollsters have apparently taken notice of Notre Dame's success, as the Irish have been a fixture in the top 10 of both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls this season, checking in at No. 7 and No. 5, respectively in this week's polls.

Despite the added focus shown to her by opposing teams, senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** has been a major catalyst in the early-season charge for the Irish, averaging 18.3 points (39th in the nation), 7.0 rebounds and 3.7 assists per game. She was named the Preseason WNIT Most Valuable Player and BIG EAST Player of the Week on Nov. 22 after logging a career-high 32 points in the WNIT championship game against Ohio State. She has scored in double digits in eight Irish games this season and has been Notre Dame's leading scorer five times. In addition, she has two double-doubles this year, most recently chalking up 17 points and a game-high 10 rebounds vs. Washington.

Junior guard **Megan Duffy** also has stepped up her play this season, registering 12.9 points and a team-high 5.0 assists per game, serving as the focal point on an Irish offense that has raised its scoring average by nearly eight points per game from last year. Duffy also leads Notre Dame and ranks 11th in the nation with a .938 free throw percentage (45-for-48) this season, sparking the Irish to a league-leading .763 free throw ratio (19th in the NCAA).

Injuries also have not been enough to slow Notre Dame so far this season. When junior forward **Courtney LaVere** was sidelined in late November with minor knee surgery, sophomore forward **Crystal Erwin** stepped into the breach and has filled the role nicely. In four starts, Erwin is averaging 12.0 points per game, including a career-high 24 points (on 9-for-9 shooting) in Notre Dame's last game on Dec. 11 against Washington. Prior to this season, Erwin had scored in double figures only once in her career, but she has done so four times this year, including three times in the past six games alone.

SOME POTENT NOTABLES ABOUT THE FIGHTING IRISH

- Notre Dame opened the season with a 7-0 record for only the second time in school history, with both coming in the past five seasons. The 2000-01 squad opened with a 23-game win streak en route to school's first national championship.
- The Irish are 3-0 on the road this year, after losing their first four road games and six of their first seven to begin last season. Notre Dame has won its first four road games of the season just three times in school history (1982-83, 1998-99 and 2000-01).
- Notre Dame played eight games in 20 days to open this season, including three contests vs. top-15 opponents. The Irish now are in the midst of a stretch of just four games in 30 days, including only one home game (a Dec. 11 victory vs. Washington).
- With this week's No. 7 ranking in the Associated Press poll, Notre Dame has appeared in the top 10 of the AP balloting five times in the first six polls of the year. On four other times in school history have the Irish spent longer in the AP top 10 — 1998-99 (16 weeks), 1999-2000 (15 weeks), 2000-01 (18 weeks) and 2002-03 (five weeks). All told, Notre Dame has spent 51 weeks in the AP top 10 and has a 95-16 (.856) all-time record when it's ranked in the top 10.
- The Irish have posted 32 wins over Top 25 opponents in the past seven seasons (1998-99 to present), including two in its first four games this year (76-65 vs. No. 6 Duke and 66-62 vs. No. 10 Ohio State).
- The Irish have defeated 20 top-10 opponents in their history, adding to that total with their victories over sixth-ranked Duke and 10th-ranked Ohio State in the Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT.
- With her next win, head coach **Muffet McGraw** will pass Digger Phelps for the most wins ever by a Notre Dame basketball coach (men's or women's). In 17-plus seasons with the Irish, McGraw has a 393-150 (.724) record, which also puts her just seven victories shy of the 400-win mark for her Notre Dame career.

A QUICK LOOK AT MARQUETTE

It might be easy to label this season as a transitional one for Marquette, with the Golden Eagles preparing to make the jump from Conference USA to the BIG EAST in 2005-06. However, coming off a second-round appearance in last year's NCAA Tournament, Marquette has given every indication it plans to be a contender, no matter what league it's a part of.

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NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
21	Jacqueline Batteast*	F	6-2	Sr.	18.3	7.0	3.7 apg	Collected second dbl-dbl of year vs. UW (17p, 10r)
34	Crystal Erwin	F	6-1	So.	8.2	3.8	0.8 apg	Averaging 12.0 ppg. as starter (24 vs. Washington)
12	Teresa Borton*	C	6-3	Sr.	7.9	6.1	1.8 bpg	Needs five rebounds for 500 in her career
13	Megan Duffy*	G	5-7	Jr.	12.9	3.3	5.0 apg	Ranks second in BIG EAST in steals (2.6 spg.)
32	Breona Gray	G	5-7	So.	6.4	3.8	2.2 apg	Has tripled scoring avg. this year (11 pts. vs. UW)

OFF THE BENCH FOR THE IRISH

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
1	Tulyah Gaines	G	5-6	Fr.	1.5	0.7	1.3 apg	Dealt season-high four assists vs. Washington
2	Charel Allen	G	5-11	Fr.	7.9	4.9	2.0 apg	Had team-high 14 points in 16 minutes at Dayton
3	Susie Powers	G	5-10	So.	0.6	1.6	1.1 apg	Snared career-best six rebounds vs. Dayton
11	Amanda Tsipis	G	5-10	Fr.	0.5	0.0	0.3 apg	Walk-on frosh has played in four games this year
33	Melissa D'Amico	F/C	6-5	Fr.	3.2	2.4	0.6 bpg	Scored season-best 12 points (6-8 FG) at Dayton
41	Courtney LaVere	F	6-3	Jr.	9.0	5.2	1.5 apg	Out 4-6 weeks (arthroscopic knee surgery - 11/30)

Boldface indicates statistical leaders // * - indicates team captains

The Golden Eagles are off to a 6-2 start this year, including a perfect 5-0 mark in their new arena, the Al McGuire Center, which opened midway through last season. Marquette opened the 2004-05 campaign with five consecutive victories, including an impressive 78-64 thumping of Wisconsin on Dec. 1. The Golden Eagles then suffered a pair of hiccups on the road, losing at Wisconsin-Green Bay (69-51) and Iowa (78-72), although the Hawkeyes have since moved into the top 25 in both major national polls.

Marquette returned to the win column in their last outing on Dec. 11, picking up a road victory at Rhode Island, 78-61. Junior guard Carolyn Kieger led four Marquette players in double figures with 21 points, along with a team-best five assists. Senior forward Lesley Juedes came off the bench to provide some perimeter punch, scoring 17 points and knocking down 5-of-7 three-point attempts. As a team, the Golden Eagles dominated the Rams on the boards, 42-23, and shot 47.4 percent from the floor (52.9 percent from the three-point line).

While running the point, Kieger leads Marquette in scoring (13.9 ppg.) and assists (6.6 apg.) while posting a strong 1.83 assist-to-turnover ratio. Sophomore center Christina Quaye, who played a pivotal role in the Golden Eagles' NCAA tournament run last year, is second on the team in scoring (13.0 ppg.) and tops in rebounding (7.0 rpg.). Junior forward Efueko Osagie has shown some of the greatest improvement for Marquette this season, averaging 9.3 ppg. while logging team-high marks in field goal percentage (.554) and steals (3.3 spg.).

Marquette head coach Terri Mitchell is in her ninth season piloting the Golden Eagles, with a career coaching record of 157-88 (.641). She is 0-5 in her career against Notre Dame.

THE NOTRE DAME-MARQUETTE SERIES

Notre Dame and Marquette will be playing for the 30th time on the hardwood in what has been the most frequent series in school history. Beginning with the elevation of the Irish program to varsity status in 1977-78, the two teams met in 18 of the next 19 seasons before going on a three-year hiatus from 1996-98. The series restarted in 1999 and has continued ever since. Next year, the rivalry will be moved to a conference setting, as Marquette joins Notre Dame in the BIG EAST.

Notre Dame holds a 25-4 edge in the all-time series and a 9-3 advantage in Milwaukee, although the Irish will be playing for the first time at the new Al McGuire Center. Marquette actually won three of the first four games in the series, but the Irish since have claimed 24 of the past 25 meetings. The Golden Eagles' last win in the series came on Dec. 1, 1992, a 66-62 victory in Milwaukee.

THE LAST TIME NOTRE DAME AND MARQUETTE MET

Notre Dame fought through a rocky first half and used timely free throw shooting down the stretch to defeat Marquette, 72-64 on New Year's Day 2004 at the Joyce Center. The Irish have won eight in a row

THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ND	MU
Overall record	9-1	6-2
AP/ESPN-USA Today rank	7/5	NR

SCORING

Points scored per game	71.5	70.9
Points allowed per game	59.8	60.4
Field goal percentage	.443	.453
Three-point percentage	.359	.301
Free throw percentage	.763	.736

REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	39.9	38.2
Opponent rebs. per game	36.0	31.6
Rebounding margin	+3.9	+6.6

OTHER

Assists per game	17.6	16.4
Turnovers per game	16.4	16.3
Assist/turnover ratio	1.07	1.01
Blocked shots per game	5.4	5.5
Steals per game	10.0	10.1

THE KEVIN WHITE RADIO SHOW

A weekly radio show featuring Notre Dame athletics director **Kevin White** airs at 7 p.m. (Central time) each Thursday on ESPN Radio 1000 in Chicago (1000 AM in Chicago, www.espnradio1000.com). Now in its fifth season, "The Kevin White Show" can be heard in 35 states. White welcomes to the show a series of guests and prominent figures associated with college athletics, including administrators, coaches and media members.



THE MARQUETTE SERIES

Series: ND leads 25-4. Games Played at Marquette: ND leads 9-3 (first meeting at the Al McGuire Center).

Date	Site	Result	Score
2/3/78	Milwaukee, Wis.	L	41-66
2/3/79	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	60-57
2/2/80	Notre Dame, Ind.	L	46-67
1/10/81	Milwaukee, Wis.	L	55-62
1/10/82	Minneapolis, Minn.*	W	50-36
1/30/82	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	60-43
2/25/83	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	74-50
11/22/83	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	96-63
12/13/85	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	90-46
1/13/86	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	75-42
1/31/87	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	95-60
2/28/87	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	77-53
1/26/88	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	88-51
2/20/88	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	79-69
12/7/88	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	70-66
12/9/89	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	87-67
1/18/90	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	81-64
12/21/90	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	109-56
1/19/91	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	91-73
11/27/91	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	83-68
12/1/92	Milwaukee, Wis.	L	62-66
12/1/93	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	90-76
2/1/95	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	87-66
12/8/95	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	84-62
1/2/00	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	75-60
12/21/00	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	75-56
12/22/01	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	60-33
12/31/02	Milwaukee, Wis.	W	75-68
1/1/04	Notre Dame, Ind.	W	72-64

* - Dial Classic

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	2,187	75.4
Marquette	1,710	59.0

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 8 games

McGraw vs. Marquette: 16-1

Mitchell vs. Notre Dame: 0-5

ND Biggest Win: 53 (109-56 on 12/21/90)

MU Biggest Win: 25 (66-41 on 2/3/78)

ND Longest Win Streak: 16 (1982-91)

MU Longest Win Streak: 2 (1980-81)

WHEN THE GAME IS ON THE LINE ...

Here's a look at Notre Dame's performance at the free throw line in the final five minutes of regulation and overtime this season:

Charel Allen	8-8 (1.000)
Tulyah Gaines	2-2 (1.000)
Megan Duffy	21-24 (.875)
Jacqueline Batteast	4-5 (.800)
Courtney LaVere	4-5 (.800)
Crystal Erwin	1-2 (.500)
Breona Gray	1-2 (.500)
Teresa Borton	1-3 (.333)
Melissa D'Amico	1-3 (.333)
TOTAL	43-54 (.796)

and 24 of their last 25 meetings against the Golden Eagles.

Megan Duffy was one of four Irish players to score in double figures vs. Marquette, connecting for a game-high 18 points. She also dished out a game-best seven assists, while Courtney LaVere chipped in with 16 points on six of 11 shooting, and Teresa Borton added 14 points and a game-best seven rebounds. Jacqueline Batteast rounded out the double-digit quartet for Notre Dame with 12 points and seven rebounds.

Kelley Schwerman was Marquette's leading scorer with 12 points, while Katie O'Grady came off the bench to log 11 points and five steals, and Sarah Shouse notched 10 points.

Notre Dame (7-4) secured the victory based on two key statistics — rebounding and foul shooting. The Irish won the battle on the boards by a 40-24 margin, including a 20-7 spread in the second half. The hosts also shot 90 percent (27-of-30) from the free throw line, knocking down 20-of-22 (.909) charities in the second half.

It was evident from the opening tip that the game would be closely contested as the teams combined for five ties and five lead changes in the first half. Notre Dame opened up a pair of four-point leads in the early stages, the last coming at 16-12 when Duffy canned a long three-pointer from the top of the key with 11:52 to go in the period.

Marquette (8-3) answered right back with a 23-12 run over the next nine and a half minutes, taking its largest lead of the game at 35-28 on a layup by Shouse with 2:23 to play until the break. Notre Dame cut more than half of the fat off its deficit, scoring the last four points, but a pair of missed layups in the waning moments left the Irish down by three (35-32) heading to the dressing room.

Notre Dame opened the second half on an 8-0 run to take a 40-35 lead on two LaVere free throws at the 17:25 mark. Yet, that momentum quickly dissipated in the face of a strong Golden Eagle squad, which put together an 11-2 burst and grabbed a 46-42 edge with 12:05 remaining.

Backed into a corner, Notre Dame came out swinging and rocked Marquette with a game-turning 14-3 run over the following 5:30, building up a 56-49 lead when Duffy buried a long jumper on the left wing. Batteast helped pace the comeback with six consecutive points in a span of 64 seconds.

Still, the Golden Eagles would not be dismissed easily, closing the gap to four points on four occasions down the stretch, the last time coming when O'Grady made the first of two foul shots with 1:29 to play. However, the Marquette veteran missed her second free throw and Duffy hit a runner in the lane on Notre Dame's next possession to effectively end the Golden Eagles' chances for victory.

THE LAST TIME NOTRE DAME AND MARQUETTE MET IN MILWAUKEE

Jacqueline Batteast had 23 points and 11 rebounds as No. 13 Notre Dame beat Marquette 75-68 on Dec. 31, 2002 at U.S. Cellular Arena in Milwaukee. Le'Tania Severe added a (then) career-high 20 points, and Courtney LaVere scored 16 and pulled down a game-high 12 rebounds for the Irish (8-2), who rallied from a 39-31 deficit early in the second half.

Marquette (6-3), which had its five-game winning streak snapped, was led by Katie Alsdurf with 18 points, Rachel Klug with 17 and Carolyn Kieger with 16.

Notre Dame trailed 43-37, but went on a 13-2 run to build a 50-45 lead. The Irish upped their lead to 67-53 with 3:12 to play, and then held off a spirited rally. The deficit was reduced to five twice before Notre Dame wrapped it up with five free throws in the final 46 seconds. The Irish went 17-of-21 from the free-throw line, including 10-of-11 by Severe and 6-of-7 by LaVere.

Notre Dame had a 39-24 edge in rebounds and shot 54 percent (27-of-50) from the field. Marquette shot 41 percent (25-of-61).

LAST IRISH GAME VS. MARQUETTE

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Marquette (64)

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Kamm	22	4-7	0-0	0-0	5	0	5	8
Weaver	32	4-10	0-0	0-1	6	1	2	8
Shouse	17	4-9	0-0	2-4	2	2	2	10
Kieger	37	2-8	1-3	4-4	2	4	2	9
Schwerman	29	3-6	3-6	3-4	0	2	4	12
O'Grady	28	4-9	1-3	2-4	2	3	4	11
Osagie	4	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	4	0
Juedes	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Quaye	22	3-5	0-0	0-0	3	2	3	6
McCullough	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					3			
Totals	200	24-56	5-12	11-17	24	14	27	64

Notre Dame (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	36	4-10	0-0	4-4	7	2	4	12
LaVere	29	6-11	0-0	4-4	4	2	1	16
Borton	30	5-7	0-0	4-4	7	0	3	14
Severe	21	0-1	0-0	2-2	3	4	4	2
Duffy	35	4-9	2-5	8-10	5	7	3	18
Joyce	15	1-5	1-5	2-2	3	1	1	5
Hernandez	6	0-3	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Gray	19	1-1	0-0	0-0	6	0	0	2
Flecky	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Erwin	6	0-0	0-0	3-4	2	0	1	3
Team					2			
Totals	200	21-47	3-11	27-30	40	16	17	72

Marquette	35	29	--	64
Notre Dame	32	40	--	72

FG Pct: Marquette 42.9, Notre Dame 44.7. 3-PT FG Pct: Marquette 41.7, Notre Dame 27.3. FT Pct: Marquette 64.7, Notre Dame 90.0. Turnovers: Marquette 14, Notre Dame 17. Blocked Shots: Marquette 0, Notre Dame 2. Steals: Marquette 11 (O'Grady 5), Notre Dame 6. Attendance: 6,163.



Notre Dame's Alicia Ratay converted a four-point play to make it 27-23 with 2:29 left in the first half. But Kieger's 3-pointer and a layup by Klug just before the buzzer closed Marquette's deficit to 29-28 at halftime.

OTHER NOTRE DAME-MARQUETTE SERIES NOTES

- The 25 victories by Notre Dame and the 29 series games are both school records. Dayton and Detroit are tied for second on the Irish opponent victory list (22), while Notre Dame has played Dayton 28 times, second-most in school annals.
- The two schools played one another twice before Notre Dame's program achieved varsity status in time for the 1977-78 season. Marquette won on both occasions, defeating the Irish twice in 1976 (52-47 on Feb. 4 in Milwaukee; 45-41 on Feb. 28 at Notre Dame).
- Marquette has topped the 70-point mark just twice against Notre Dame. Conversely, the Irish have scored at least 70 points against the Golden Eagles 21 times, all in the past 23 series meetings.
- Marquette head coach **Terri Mitchell** was an assistant with the Golden Eagles the last time they defeated Notre Dame on Dec. 1, 1992.
- Notre Dame and Marquette have played one another as members of two different conferences (North Star from 1986-88 and Midwestern Collegiate from 1989-91). They will be reunited once again next season when the Golden Eagles join the BIG EAST.

NOTRE DAME AGAINST CONFERENCE USA

Notre Dame is 48-21 (.696) against the current members of Conference USA, including a 21-13 (.618) mark away from home (19-11 road, 2-2 neutral). The Irish have played more games (69) against C-USA opponents than any other league outside of the BIG EAST Conference (173) and the Big Ten Conference (70).

Notre Dame has faced nine different current C-USA members during its history, posting winning records against Cincinnati (1-0), East Carolina (2-0), Marquette (25-4), Memphis (1-0), Saint Louis (6-1), South Florida (2-0) and TCU (1-0).

The Irish have won 11 of their last 12 games against C-USA competition after defeating Marquette, 72-64 last season at the Joyce Center. A 75-59 setback at DePaul on Dec. 11, 2002, was Notre Dame's first (and only) loss to a C-USA foe since joining the BIG EAST in 1995-96.

FOLLOWING THE NORTH STAR

Marquette is one of 10 former North Star Conference schools Notre Dame has played since it left the NSC to join the Midwestern Collegiate Conference (now known as the Horizon League) in 1988. The Irish have a 109-23 (.826) record in the past 15 seasons against former North Star members, including a 2-0 mark this year with road wins at Valparaiso and Dayton.

Much of that post-NSC record was compiled when several North Star teams resurfaced alongside the Irish in the MCC. In fact, eight of Notre Dame's 10 former North Star foes also squared off with the Irish in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference.

The Irish have won 21 of their last 22 games against former North Star members, a streak which pre-dates Notre Dame's current membership in the BIG EAST Conference. The only NSC alum to defeat the Irish in that time is DePaul, which won by a 75-59 count on Dec. 11, 2002, in Chicago.

POLLING PLACE

Notre Dame is 170-41 (.806) all-time when it is ranked in the Associated Press poll at tipoff (the Irish are seventh entering Sunday's game at Marquette). When playing at home, Notre Dame has been especially strong, going 79-9 (.898) as a ranked host after opening this season with a 6-1 record at the Joyce Center. Conversely, the Irish are 67-24 (.736) all-time when they play on the road as a ranked team.

Upon closer inspection, Notre Dame has been very sharp when it's ranked in the top 10 of the AP poll. The Irish are 95-16 (.856) as a top-10 squad, including a 46-3 (.939) record at home. In fact, prior to its Dec. 2 overtime loss to No. 15 Michigan State, Notre Dame had a 41-game home winning streak when it was ranked in the AP top 10, dating back to December of 1998.

WINNING TEN-DENCIES

A victory at Marquette on Sunday would give Notre Dame its 10th win of the season, marking the earliest calendar date ever that the Irish have reached double-digit victories. The 2000-01 squad currently holds that distinction, getting its 10th win on Dec. 21, ironically also at Marquette (75-56).

IRISH MEDIA POLICIES

MEDIA CONTACT

Notre Dame assistant sports information director **Chris Masters** is the primary media contact for Irish women's basketball. He may be reached in his office at (574) 631-8032, via cell phone at (574) 532-4166 or e-mail at masters.5@nd.edu.

IN-SEASON INTERVIEW POLICY

All requests for Notre Dame player or coach interviews must be made through **Chris Masters** and 24 hours' notice should be allowed when scheduling interviews. Media members also may speak to Irish team personnel following practice sessions. While most practices are open to the media, some may be closed at the staff's discretion — contact **Chris Masters** for the latest practice schedule. On game days, no interviews will be granted prior to competition.

POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCES

Following each Irish home game, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Press conferences will be held in the Joyce Center auditorium, located adjacent to Gate 1 on the first floor of the arena. Media members should submit player requests for post-game interviews to **Chris Masters** no later than the four-minute mark of the second half.

MEDIA SERVICES

- Credentials for all Notre Dame women's basketball games must be submitted to **Chris Masters** at least 24 hours prior to each game. Media passes will be left at the Joyce Center Media Will Call table, located inside Gate 1.
- Media should park in the lots located immediately south of the Joyce Center (no charge).
- Media members wishing to receive Notre Dame women's basketball game notes and press releases in PDF form via e-mail should send requests to **Chris Masters** at masters.5@nd.edu.
- Notre Dame's official athletics department web site can be found at www.und.com, with extensive offerings including live audio for all Irish women's basketball games (home and away), as well as real-time statistics for all Notre Dame home games.



BIG EAST STANDINGS
(through games of Dec. 16)

Pl.	Team	BIG EAST	Overall
1.	St. John's	0-0	8-0
	West Virginia	0-0	8-0
3.	NOTRE DAME	0-0	9-1
4.	Boston College	0-0	7-1
5.	Connecticut	0-0	4-1
6.	Syracuse	0-0	6-2
	Villanova	0-0	6-2
8.	Rutgers	0-0	5-2
9.	Pittsburgh	0-0	6-3
10.	Seton Hall	0-0	4-3
11.	Georgetown	0-0	3-4
12.	Providence	0-0	0-8

**BIG EAST
PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Nov. 22... **Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
 Nov. 29 Jessalyn Deveny, Boston College
 Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
 Dec. 6 Meg Bulger, West Virginia
 Dec. 13 Jessalyn Deveny, Boston College
 Sherell Sowho, West Virginia

**BIG EAST
FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK**

Nov. 22 Sara Antolick, Syracuse
 Nov. 29 Andrea Peterson, St. John's
 Dec. 6 Charde Houston, Connecticut
 Dec. 13 Shamika Jackson, Boston College

IRISH IN THE POLLS

Here's where Notre Dame has been ranked in both of the major national Top 25 polls this season:

Week	AP	ESPN/USA Today
Preseason	10	11
Nov. 15	11	10
Nov. 22	6	6
Nov. 29	3	3
Dec. 6	7	5
Dec. 13	7	5

FINDING THE RANGE

During its last three halves of basketball (second half at Dayton, full game vs. Washington), Notre Dame is shooting .597 (46-for-77) from the floor, including a season-best .604 (29-for-48) against UW. Individually, sophomore forward **Crystal Erwin** tied an 18-year-old Joyce Center record by going 9-for-9 from the floor in the victory over Washington.

PIPING HOT TURNOVERS

Notre Dame has forced at least 20 turnovers in six of its 10 games this season. The Irish registered a season-high 29 takeaways on Nov. 22 against Colorado State and caused 26 turnovers on Dec. 9 at Dayton.

EXTENDING THE DEFENSE

In the past seven games, Notre Dame has limited its opponents to a .180 three-point percentage (20-for-111), after Irish foes were shooting .333 from beyond the arc (17-for-51) in the first three games of the season. On Dec. 9, Notre Dame held Dayton to an opponent season-low .071 three-point percentage (1-for-14), with the Flyers missing their final 13 three-point attempts.

BALANCE IS KEY

Notre Dame has discovered good balance in its offensive production so far this season. The Irish have had five different players lead the team in scoring through 10 games, including four separate players (Megan Duffy, Jacqueline Batteast, Crystal Erwin and Charel Allen) with team-high scoring honors in the past six games alone.

DIGGER AND ME

With her next victory, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** will pass Digger Phelps for the most wins ever by an Irish basketball coach (men's or women's). McGraw has a career record of 393-150 (.724) since coming to Notre Dame in 1987, while Phelps, now a studio analyst on ESPN's college basketball coverage, posted a 393-197 (.666) mark at the helm of the Irish men's team from 1971-91.

CHARGING FROM THE GATE

Notre Dame's 7-0 start was the second-best season debut in school history and it was only the second time ever that the Irish opened with seven consecutive victories. Here's a peek at the best starts in Notre Dame women's basketball history:

Season	Opening record	Final record (result)
2000-01	23-0	34-2 (NCAA champion)
2004-05	7-0	??
1998-99	6-0	26-5 (NCAA second round)
1977-78	5-0	13-4 (IAIAW Tournament)
2002-03	4-0	21-11 (NCAA Sweet Sixteen)
1993-94	4-0	22-7 (NCAA first round)

THE SEASON FOR SHARING

One of the key elements in Notre Dame's early success has been its penchant for distributing the ball well. In fact, the Irish have 176 assists (17.6 apg.) on 264 field goals made (26.4 per game) in their first 10 outings, including a Preseason WNIT-record 29 handouts in the season opener vs. Illinois State. Junior guard **Megan Duffy** leads the way at 5.0 assists per game, with at least five dimes in six contests this season, including a career-high 10 assists vs. Washington on Dec. 11.

LOTS OF FREE STUFF

When given the opportunity, Notre Dame has taken advantage of its trips to the free throw line this season. The Irish lead the BIG EAST Conference and are tied for 19th nationally (as of Dec. 13), shooting 76.3 percent from the charity stripe. In fact, they set a school record by going a perfect 18-for-18 at Valparaiso, which also matches the best mark by any team in the country this season.

Notre Dame has been led at the gift line by junior guard **Megan Duffy** (.938, 45-48), freshman guard **Charel Allen** (.840, 21-25) and senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** (.816, 40-49). Duffy currently leads the BIG EAST and is tied for 11th in the nation in free throw percentage, while Batteast has shown the greatest improvement among all Irish players this season with nearly a 20-percent jump from last year's career low .627 mark.



**NOTRE DAME SECOND
IN USSA DIRECTORS'
CUP STANDINGS**

Notre Dame stands second in the second set of fall sports standings released in the 2004-05 United States Sports Academy Division I Directors' Cup all-sports competition sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (formerly known as Sears Directors' Cup).

This marks the highest ranking for Notre Dame since the Irish were third in both the 1996-97 and 2002-03 final fall standings (Notre Dame ended up 14th and 13th, respectively, in those years).

Fall NCAA competition so far has earned the Irish 287 points based on their NCAA title in women's soccer (100 points), their fourth-place finish in women's cross country (80 points), their 11th-place finish in men's cross country (57 points) and their second-round appearance in men's soccer (50 points). Yet to come are fall points for Notre Dame's 2004 NCAA involvement in volleyball (the Irish advanced to the second round).

The third set of fall standings will be released Dec. 30 and the final fall standings will be available Jan. 11.

Duke (327 points) leads the competition, thanks to its NCAA runner-up finishes in women's cross country and women's field hockey, plus a third-place finish in men's soccer. Third is Colorado, followed by Stanford, Maryland and Michigan.

The current standings include results from NCAA fall competition in field hockey, men's and women's cross country, and men's and women's soccer.

In previous years in which the Directors' Cup competition has been held, Notre Dame has finished 11th in 1993-94, 30th in 1994-95, 11th in 1995-96, 14th in 1996-97, tied for 31st in 1997-98, 25th in 1998-99, 21st in 1999-2000, 11th in 2000-01, 13th in 2001-02, tied for 13th in 2002-03 and 19th in 2003-04.

Here are the current standings:

1.	Duke	327
2.	NOTRE DAME	287
3.	Colorado	250
4.	Stanford	232
5.	Maryland	230
6.	Michigan	229
7.	Wake Forest	225
8.	UCLA	224
9.	North Carolina	209
10.	Michigan State	174

One side note about Duffy's free throw prowess — the Irish junior struggled at the line early in her freshman season, shooting just 59.3 percent (16-27) during her first 15 collegiate games. However, in the 59 games since then (Jan. 20, 2003 to present), Duffy is connecting at an .865 clip (160-185) on her foul shots. She also has made 53 of her last 57 free throws (.930) in the past 16 Irish games, dating back to Feb. 28, 2004.

THE WASHINGTON RECAP

Notre Dame's one-two inside punch of sophomore forward **Crystal Erwin** and senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** was just too much for Washington.

Erwin was 9-of-9 from the field for a career-high 24 points and Batteast had 17 points and 10 rebounds to lead seventh-ranked Notre Dame to a 72-58 victory over the Huskies on Dec. 11 at the Joyce Center. The Irish were especially strong inside, outscoring the Huskies 42-22 in the paint and outrebounding Washington 38-28.

Notre Dame (9-1) opened the game by hitting their first five shots and were in control throughout, shooting 60.4 percent (29-of-48) while holding the Huskies (4-4) to 34 percent.

UW simply couldn't stop Erwin, as she became the first player to shoot 9-for-9 at the Joyce Center in 18 years. She scored on fast-break layups, in traffic in the lane and even had one remarkably easy basket. After she fell in the offensive end, the Huskies had a 3-on-1 break the other way. However, junior guard **Megan Duffy** came away with a steal and passed it back down the court to a wide-open Erwin for the layup.

The Irish led 36-25 at halftime, but had trouble putting the Huskies away. The Huskies closed to 39-34 when Cameo Hicks scored on a layup three minutes into the second half. The Irish led only 58-51 when Hicks scored with 7:56 left. But Erwin scored inside two straight times, blowing past Maggie O'Hara along the baseline for a layup on the second basket to ignite a 14-2 run that put the game away.

Duffy had a career-high 10 assists for the Irish, breaking the mark of nine assists she had against Washington a year ago. Breona Gray added 11 points for Notre Dame.

NOTING THE WASHINGTON VICTORY

- Notre Dame takes a 2-1 series lead over Washington, in what was the Huskies' first-ever visit to South Bend.
- The Irish continue their recent success against Pac-10 opponents, winning for the 13th time in the past 15 games against teams from that league (2-0 this year with a Nov. 26 win at USC).
- Notre Dame shot a season-best .604 from the floor (29-for-48), the best single-game shooting percentage by an Irish team since Feb. 27, 2001 (.635 at Pittsburgh).
- Notre Dame's first five baskets came from five different starters and the Irish starting lineup combined to shoot .700 (28-for-40) from the field.
- Notre Dame's 25 assists on 29 field goals (.862) is the best assist percentage in a game for the Irish since Jan. 2, 2000, when Notre Dame had 26 assists on 29 baskets (.897) in a 75-60 win over Marquette.
- The Irish are 9-1 after 10 games for the third time in school history — the others were 1998-99 (9-1) and 2000-01 (10-0).
- Notre Dame had four double-figure scorers for the fourth time this season, but first since they did so in each of their first three games (vs. Illinois State, Nebraska and No. 6 Duke).
- With her 9-for-9 shooting performance, sophomore forward **Crystal Erwin** tied an 18-year-old Joyce Center record previously set by Sandy Botham vs. Evansville on Feb. 28, 1986; the only Irish player with a better shooting night than Erwin and Botham was Karen Robinson, who went 12-for-12 on the road at Saint Louis on Jan. 14, 1989.
- Erwin finished with a career-high 24 points, breaking the freshly-minted mark of 20 points she set nine days earlier on Dec. 2 in an overtime loss to then-No. 15 Michigan State.
- Erwin also plucked a career-best seven rebounds, one more than her previous high which she had done twice before (most recently two nights earlier at Dayton).
- Junior guard **Megan Duffy** dished out a career-high 10 assists, breaking her personal standard of nine assists which she set in last year's game at Washington (Dec. 7, 2003). Duffy also is the first Irish player to record 10 assists in a game since Niele Ivey also had 10 handouts vs. Connecticut on Jan. 15, 2001 at the Joyce Center.
- Senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** notched her second double-double of the season (34th of her career) with 17 points and a game-high 10 rebounds.



2004-05 IRISH HONORS

Jacqueline Batteast (Sr., South Bend, Ind.)

Basketball News Preseason Player of the Year
State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
Naismith Trophy Watch List

John R. Wooden Women's Award Watch List
Preseason All-American:

- first team (Associated Press)
- first team (Lindy's Annual)
- first team (Basketball News)
- second team (Gballmag.com)
- "Terrific 10" (Street & Smith's)
- John R. Wooden Women's Award (top 30)

ESPN.com top five wings in country

BIG EAST Preseason Player of the Year

Preseason first-team all-BIG EAST (unanimous)

Bayer Advantage® Senior CLASS Award nominee

Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT MVP

BIG EAST Player of the Week (Nov. 22)

Megan Duffy (Jr., Dayton, Ohio)

Preseason second-team all-BIG EAST

Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT All-Tournament Team

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 Coll.	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.	1/5/02	Providence	W, 72-66	7,804
15.	2/26/02	Villanova	L, 45-48	7,785
16.	2/19/02	West Virginia	W, 72-63	7,709
17.	1/18/03	Rutgers	L, 61-64	7,697
18.	2/13/02	St. John's	W, 66-31	7,677
19.	12/9/01	USC	W, 62-49	7,595
20.	2/12/00	St. John's	W, 94-51	7,530

* indicates capacity crowd // rankings are from AP poll

Boldface indicates game played this season

SPORTSVIEW.TV PRESEASON WNIT REWIND

Punctuated by emotional second-half rallies in the semifinal and final, Notre Dame won four consecutive games to claim the 2004 Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT championship. The Irish capped off their season-opening charge with a 66-62 victory over No. 10/9 Ohio State in the title game, scoring the final 12 points of the contest to erase an eight-point Buckeye lead with a little more than five minutes remaining. That win came on the heels of a 76-65 semifinal conquest of No. 6 Duke, a victory that also saw Notre Dame come back from an eight-point deficit late in the second half.

Senior All-America forward **Jacqueline Batteast** was named the tournament Most Valuable Player after averaging 21.5 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.3 assists with a .507 field goal percentage in the four-game series. Batteast was at her best in the final two games, scoring a game-high 17 points vs. Duke (including a personal 10-0 run that put the Irish ahead for good) and then rolling up a career-best 32 points in the championship game against Ohio State. In that latter contest, she had another 10-point run in the first half and later scored seven of her team's last 12 points, including the go-ahead jumper with 2:45 to play. However, her biggest contribution came with two seconds remaining, when she raced from beyond the top of the key all the way to the deep corner, blocking OSU's potential game-tying three-pointer to cement Notre Dame's title.

Not to be overlooked, junior guard **Megan Duffy** earned a place on the Preseason WNIT all-tournament team after recording 15.0 points and 6.0 assists per game with a .500 field goal percentage (.600 from beyond the arc). She was the catalyst for an Irish offense that averaged nearly 77 points per game and dished out better than 20 assists per night in the tournament, including a Preseason WNIT-record 29 assists in the first round vs. Illinois State.

HALF AND HALF

Over the past five seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 85-7 (.924) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead. Notre Dame has added eight wins to that count this season (Illinois State, Nebraska, Ohio State, Colorado State, USC, Valparaiso, Dayton and Washington).

THE BEST OFFENSE IS A GOOD DEFENSE ...

During the past decade, 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 135-6 (.957) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. That count includes this season's wins over Nebraska, Colorado State, USC, Valparaiso, Dayton and Washington.

... 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. Over the past decade (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 89-3 (.967) 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. Notre Dame tacked another win to that ledger with its opening-night 92-73 win over Illinois State.

NOTRE DAME AMONG RECENT WINS LEADERS

Notre Dame has won 211 games over the past nine seasons, which is tied for the seventh-most wins of any school in the country during that time. Here's where the Irish rank in terms of their wins since the start of the 1996-97 campaign (totals through games of Dec. 16):

TEAM	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05	Total
1. Connecticut	33	34	29	36	32	39	37	31	4	275
2. Tennessee	29	39	31	33	31	30	33	31	6	263
3. Louisiana Tech	31	31	30	31	31	25	31	29	4	242
4. Duke	19	24	29	28	30	31	35	30	9	235
5. Old Dominion	34	29	28	29	21	28	21	25	3	218
6. Purdue	17	23	34	23	31	24	29	29	6	217
7. (tie) NOTRE DAME	31	22	26	27	34	20	21	21	9	211
(tie) Santa Barbara	24	27	26	30	22	26	27	27	2	211
9. Texas Tech	20	26	30	28	25	20	29	25	5	208



SWEET SUCCESS

Notre Dame is one of only five schools in the country to have appeared in the NCAA Sweet Sixteen six times in the past eight seasons (1997-2004). The others are Connecticut (eight times), Tennessee (eight times), Duke (seven times) and Louisiana Tech (seven times).

THE GOLD STANDARD

The Irish are one of just six teams nationwide to have an active streak of 11 consecutive 20-win seasons. The others in these elite club are Tennessee (28), Texas Tech (15), Louisiana Tech (13), Old Dominion (13) and Connecticut (11).

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 119 of their last 129 games (.922) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center. Notre Dame also has a 69-7 (.908) home record in BIG EAST Conference play.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 53 of their last 56 non-BIG EAST contests (.946) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. The only three losses in that span all came against Big Ten Conference teams — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54) and Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 in OT).

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 269-71 (.791) record at the venerable facility. In three of the past five 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 in the top 15 in the nation in attendance each of the past four years, and early returns indicate this season will be no different. According to the Dec. 13 unofficial national attendance rankings (as compiled by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Office), Notre Dame is 15th in the nation with an average of 4,949 fans per game.

All of the top 20 crowds in the Irish record book have occurred during the 18-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw** (1987-present). And, as more evidence of Notre Dame's rapid elevation to "hot ticket" status in South Bend, 19 of the top 20 crowds in school history have been recorded in the past six seasons (1999-2000 to present), including 12 audiences of 8,000 or more fans, and 56 of the past 58 home games with at least 5,000 fans filing into the Joyce Center.

NOTRE DAME ON THE SMALL SCREEN

The Irish are scheduled to make at least 13 appearances on regional or national television during the 2004-05 season (additional broadcasts may be announced at a later date).

Notre Dame made its TV debut this season on Nov. 20 when it defeated No. 10/9 Ohio State, 66-62 in the championship game of the Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT. That contest was shown globally via broadband Internet connection at www.sportsview.tv, as well either live or delayed on several Comcast SportsNet outlets nationwide. The American Forces Network, which broadcasts to more than one million U.S. service men and women in 176 countries, also aired the game.

The Irish returned to the airwaves Dec. 2 when they dropped an 82-73 overtime decision to No. 15 Michigan State on College Sports Television (CSTV). That was the first of three Notre Dame games that will air nationally on the fledgling cable network, which has signed an agreement with the BIG EAST Conference to carry a national women's basketball Game of the Week eight times in 2004-05. The Irish also will face Connecticut on Jan. 12 at the Joyce Center and visit Boston College on Feb. 15 in front of the CSTV cameras.

In addition, Notre Dame is scheduled to play twice on ESPN2 this season. On Jan. 16, the Irish will battle Purdue in the second annual BIG EAST/Big Ten Challenge at the Joyce Center. Two weeks later on Jan. 30, Notre Dame travels to Storrs, Conn., to meet Connecticut at Gampel Pavilion.

The BIG EAST also has added two Irish games to its regional television package this season. Notre Dame will visit Villanova on Jan. 9 and will play host to Rutgers on Jan. 23, both on BIG EAST Television. Among those affiliates carrying the BETV package are Comcast SportsNet outlets in Chicago, Philadelphia and the Mid-Atlantic region, as well as Fox Sports Net outlets in New York, New England and Pittsburgh. Exact clearances will be made available closer to game time.

2004-05 IRISH TRENDS

Day of the Week

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

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m local time)	1-0
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	8-1

Location

Home games	6-1
Road games	3-0
Neutral site games	0-0

Halftime score

Leading at the half	8-0
Trailing at the half	1-1
Tied at the half	0-0

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	7-0
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	1-1
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	1-0

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	8-0
Lower pct. than opponent	1-1
Shoot 45% or better	3-0
Shoot less than 45%	6-1
Hold opponent under 40%	6-1

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	8-0
Make fewer free throws	1-1
Make same number of free throws	0-0

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	5-1
Commit more turnovers	4-0

Miscellaneous

Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls)	2-1
On television	2-1
In white jerseys	6-1
In blue jerseys	3-0
In green jerseys	0-0
In overtime games	0-1

Margin of Victory

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

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	0-0
Atlantic Coast	1-0
Atlantic 10	1-0
Big Ten	1-1
Big 12	1-0
Conference USA	0-0
Mid-American	0-0
Mid-Continent	1-0
Missouri Valley	1-0
Mountain West	1-0
Pac-10	2-0

Month

November	7-0
December	2-1
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0



2004-05 IRISH INSIGHTS

- Several members of the Irish women's basketball team have attached a tiny medallion to their shoestrings with an engraving of the Guardian Angel on one side, while the other features an etching of St. Michael (a saint believed to protect warriors and guide them to victory in battle). The medallion was presented to them by a campus priest just before the start of the season.
- For the first time in the 28-year history of the Notre Dame women's basketball program, a player will wear jersey No. 1 (**Tulyah Gaines**) and No. 2 (**Charel Allen**) this season. The only remaining NCAA-approved jersey numbers an Irish player has never worn are No. 51, No. 53 and No. 54.
- Junior guard **Megan Duffy** does most things in her life right-handed, including eating, writing and swinging a golf club (she was a four-time all-city selection in high school). About the only thing she does left-handed? Shoot a basketball, which she's done quite well for the Irish for the past two seasons.
- Two Irish players — senior **Jacqueline Batteast** and junior **Courtney LaVere** — have designs on entering the broadcasting industry when their playing days are over. In fact, LaVere spent this past summer as an intern in the sports department at WNDU-TV, the NBC affiliate in South Bend.
- A close look at the shoes of sophomore guard **Breona Gray** reveals the words "Big Granny." Gray has dedicated this season to the memory of her late grandmother, Viola Johnson, whom she and her family affectionately knew as "Big Granny."
- Senior center **Teresa Borton** has developed into an accomplished amateur photographer during her stay at Notre Dame. In fact, on more than one occasion, Borton has been spotted among the crowd of shutterbugs on the baseline at Irish men's basketball games.

Comcast Local (based in Detroit) is the latest television outlet to select Notre Dame women's basketball games for broadcast. The newly-formed network will air five Irish games this season — at USC (Nov. 26), and home games vs. Washington (Dec. 11), St. John's (Jan. 26), Georgetown (Feb. 12) and West Virginia (Feb. 26). Comcast Local can be seen in South Bend on Comcast Cable channel 3.

NOTRE DAME ON THE AIRWAVES

Once again this season, every Irish women's basketball game (home and away) airs 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 fifth 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 College Sports Pass, which gives listeners full multimedia access to a variety of Irish athletics events for only \$6.95 per month.

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

For the fourth time in school history (all during the **Muffet McGraw** era), Notre Dame will have three players sharing the captain's duties this year. Senior forward **Jacqueline Batteast**, senior center **Teresa Borton** and junior guard **Megan Duffy** all were accorded the honor based upon a vote of their teammates prior to the season. All three are serving as captains for the first time in their respective careers.

IRISH ADD TWO PLAYERS DURING EARLY SIGNING PERIOD

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** has announced that **Lindsay Schrader**, a 6-0 guard from Bartlett, Ill., and **Chandrica Smith**, a 6-1 forward from Stone Mountain, Ga., have chosen to continue their careers with the Irish, signing National Letters of Intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2005.

With the additions of Schrader and Smith, Notre Dame's newest recruiting class is ranked 16th in the nation by *Blue Star Index*. That marks the ninth consecutive year the Irish have had a top-20 class, according to that publication, which makes Notre Dame one of only three schools in the nation that can claim that distinction (Connecticut and Tennessee are the others).

Schrader has been widely regarded as one of the top all-around players in the state of Illinois while attending Bartlett High School the past three seasons. She is a three-time all-state selection, a two-time Illinois Miss Basketball finalist, and a two-time *Street & Smith's* All-America selection who has averaged 20.1 points, 9.8 rebounds, 3.1 steals and 1.8 blocks per game in her prep career. Her finest all-around season came as a junior in 2003-04, when she averaged 20.8 ppg., 10.8 rpg. and 2.0 bpg. while earning first-team all-state honors from the Associated Press, *Chicago Tribune* and *Champaign News-Gazette*. She also was a sixth-team All-America selection by *Street & Smith's* and was a finalist for Illinois Miss Basketball honors, an award she will likely contend for once again this season.

On the summer camp circuit, Schrader was an Underclass All-Star at the 2002 adidas Top Ten Camp, before attending the Nike All-America Camp in both 2003 and 2004. She is ranked among the top 30 high school seniors in the nation by three separate recruiting services — *Blue Star Index* (14th), *All-Game Sports* (21st) and *All-Star Girls Report* (26th overall — eighth among shooting guards).

In addition, Schrader made a significant impact at the 2004 USA Basketball Youth Development Festival in Colorado Springs. Playing for the North Team that won the silver medal, she ranked third at the Festival in scoring (14.8 ppg.) and rebounding (8.6 rpg.), as well as second in field goal percentage (.542). All three figures were team highs, as were her 2.2 steals per game. For her efforts, Schrader was invited to attend the 2004 USA Women's Junior World Championship Qualifying Team Trials, where she was one of 17 finalists for the 12-player team that won the gold medal this past August.

Smith currently attends Oak Hill Academy in Mouth of Wilson, Va., where she transferred prior to her senior season. Previously, she was a standout at Stephenson High School in Stone Mountain, Ga., where she averaged 12.5 points, 8.1 rebounds, 3.5 steals and 2.4 blocks per game with a .620 field goal percentage. She also was a key component in the Jaguars' run to a 32-1 record and the Georgia 5A state championship last year. In fact, during her first three prep seasons, her teams posted a combined 89-7 (.927) record with three trips to the Georgia state championship and one state title.

Smith herself has received numerous accolades during her high school career. She is a two-time honorable mention All-America selection by *Street & Smith's* and was a *Student Sports* All-American in 2004. In addition, she attended the adidas Top Ten Camp three consecutive years and was named to its prestigious all-star team all three years (Underclass All-Star in 2002 & 2003; Upperclass All-Star in 2004). Last season, she was an honorable mention 5A all-state selection and a first-team all-county choice. She is ranked as high as 29th in the nation among high school seniors by *All-Star Girls Report*.



Like Schrader, Smith also attended the 2004 USA Basketball Youth Development Festival in Colorado Springs. Playing for the South Team, she averaged 5.4 points and 2.6 rebounds per game, scoring a personal-best 13 points in the bronze-medal game victory over the East squad.

MUFFET MCGRAW SIGNS CONTRACT EXTENSION THROUGH 2010-11 SEASON

On Nov. 6, Notre Dame announced that **Muffet McGraw** has signed a two-year extension to continue as head coach of the Notre Dame women's basketball program through the 2010-11 season.

McGraw, who is now in her 18th season with the Irish, most recently signed a four-year contract extension in July 2002 that took her through the 2008-09 season. Her first 17 seasons at Notre Dame have been highlighted by 15 20-win campaigns (including a current string of 11 straight), 11 NCAA tournament appearances (including a current streak of nine straight) and the 2001 NCAA title. Entering the 2004-05 season, she had a 384-149 (.720) record at Notre Dame.

In 2003-04, McGraw skillfully guided her team to a 21-11 record and a second consecutive berth in the NCAA Sweet Sixteen (the fourth for the Irish in five years). McGraw's charges placed second in the BIG EAST Conference, their eighth top-two finish since joining the league nine years ago. In addition, the Irish went 15-0 at home, their third perfect record at the Joyce Center in the past five seasons, and extended their overall home win streak to 20 games, the second-longest in school history and eighth-longest active string in the nation heading into the 2004-05 campaign.

McGraw has continued to enhance her reputation as one of the nation's outstanding big-game coaches and tacticians, piloting Notre Dame to a school-record seven wins over top 25 teams during the 2003-04 regular season. During her 17-year tenure with the Irish, McGraw has compiled 40 victories over nationally-ranked opponents, including 30 in the past six seasons (an average of five per year).

Under McGraw's guidance, the past nine years have been the most successful in Notre Dame's history as the Irish have compiled an impressive 225-69 (.765) record, including a sparkling 124-28 (.816) regular-season mark in BIG EAST play, the best winning percentage in league history. Notre Dame also has averaged 25 victories per campaign during that span, with two 30-win seasons to its credit. The Irish have won at least one NCAA tournament game every season over that time, advancing to the Sweet Sixteen six times (1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004) and the Final Four twice (1997 and 2001).

BIG EAST CONFERENCE APPROVES BASKETBALL STRUCTURE FOR 2005-06

The Presidents of the BIG EAST Conference institutions have approved all recommendations by the league's athletic directors relating to the structure of men's and women's basketball beginning in the 2005-06 academic year. The approvals were made at the Presidents' annual meeting held in Philadelphia on Nov. 9.

The recommendations include maintaining a 12-team postseason conference championship tournament and a one-division regular season structure. The men's and women's teams will continue to play 16-game regular season league schedules.

In 2005-06, the BIG EAST will include 16 schools. The new members will be: University of Cincinnati, DePaul University, University of Louisville, Marquette University and University of South Florida. While the tournament format will be the same for the men and women, the formula for regular season scheduling will be different. The men's teams will play 13 opponents with three repeat matchups to reach 16 league games. The women's teams will meet each opponent once and have one repeat opponent.

For regular season scheduling, the conference office will determine prior to each season which matchups will be repeated. The factors in making the repeat games will be television, rivalries and geography.

BIG EAST men's teams have captured the last two NCAA crowns and three of the last six. BIG EAST women's teams have won the last five NCAA titles. The BIG EAST conducts its men's championship at Madison Square Garden in New York. The women's championship is played at the Hartford Civic Center in Hartford, Conn.

PROMOTIONAL CORNER

Here's a rundown of some upcoming promotions and giveaways at future Notre Dame women's basketball games this season (additional promotions and giveaways may be added at a later date):

- Jan. 2 vs. Seton Hall — Adidas bracelets (first 5,000 fans); Red Panda acrobats will perform
- Jan. 5 vs. Syracuse — Notre Dame women's basketball license plates (first 2,000 fans)

GRADUATION RATES

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

The federally mandated 2004 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 14th such survey issued by the association, covers students who enrolled between 1994 and 1997 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 athletic 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 Northwestern and Stanford Universities. The national average for Division I-A schools is 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 also graduated 71 percent of its African-American student-athletes, ranking ninth nationally, and Irish football players graduated at a 77 percent rate, to rank eighth.

All Student-Athletes

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

Female Student-Athletes

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

Male Student-Athletes

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



IRISH CAREER RECORDS

Total Points

4. Alicia Ratay (1999-2003)	1,763
5. Karen Robinson (1987-91)	1,590
6. Trena Keys (1982-86)	1,589
7. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	1,498

Scoring Average

3. Ruth Riley (1997-01)	15.8
4. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	15.0
5. Heidi Bunek (1985- 89)	14.5

Three-Point Field Goals Made

7. Jeneka Joyce (2000-04)	92
8. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	85
9. Coquese Washington (1989-93)	82
10. Megan Duffy (2002-present)	69

Three-Point Field Goals Attempted

7. Jeneka Joyce (2000-04)	241
8. Coquese Washington (1989-93)	231
9. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	216
10. Megan Duffy (2002-present)	187

Field Goal Percentage (min. 400 att.)

5. Krissi Davis (1987-91)	.579
6. Carrie Bates (1981-85)	.553
7. Teresa Borton (2001-pres.)	.534 (289-541)
8. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	.533

Free Throw Percentage (min. 75 att.)

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-2003)	.872
2. Megan Duffy (2002-present)	.830 (176-212)
3. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.819
4. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.814

Rebounds

4. Mary Beth Schueth (1981-85)	853
5. Margaret Nowlin (1988-92)	826
6. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	817

Rebounding Average (min. 6.5 per game)

1. Letitia Bowen (1991-95)	8.8
2. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	8.2
3. Mary Beth Schueth (1981-85)	8.1
4. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	7.8

Blocked Shots

3. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	141
4. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	136
5. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	133
6. Trena Keys (1982-86)	124
7. Teresa Borton (2001-present)	111

Double-Doubles

1. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	40
2. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	36
3. Jacqueline Batteast (2001-present)	34
4. Mary Beth Schueth (1981-85)	32

Boldface indicates current players

NEXT GAME: NORTHERN ILLINOIS

Notre Dame will go on an 11-day hiatus for the Christmas holidays before getting back into action Thursday, Dec. 30 when it travels to DeKalb, Ill., for a matchup with Northern Illinois. Tipoff time from the Convocation Center is set for 7 p.m. (CT).

The Irish and Huskies will be meeting for the first time since both teams were members of the Midwestern Collegiate Conference (now the Horizon League) in the mid-1990s. Notre Dame owns a 7-5 series lead over NIU, although the teams have split six previous matchups in DeKalb. Northern Illinois won the last time they met, taking an 87-64 victory on March 10, 1995 in the MCC Tournament semifinals, which were held in DeKalb. This year's contest also will serve as a homecoming for Irish associate coach **Carol Owens**, who is one of the legendary figures in NIU women's basketball history, twice earning honorable mention All-America recognition while playing for the Huskies from 1986-90. She still ranks among the school's all-time leaders in 13 career categories, including scoring (2,102 points).

Northern Illinois is 1-6 this season, following a hard-fought 73-59 loss to No. 21/20 DePaul on Wednesday night in DeKalb. Kristin Wiener had a team-high 11 points and Stephanie Raymond pulled down a game-best 10 rebounds for the Huskies, who got within five points early in the second half before DePaul pulled away for the win. NIU visits Saint Louis Saturday and will play host to Texas-El Paso (UTEP) next Tuesday before turning its attention to the Dec. 30 matchup with Notre Dame.

NCAA AND BIG EAST STATISTICAL LEADERS

Here's where the Irish players and team stand in the most recent NCAA statistics report (through games of December 13) and BIG EAST Conference statistics report (through games of December 16) — **bold** indicates league/national leaders:

Team Rankings	NCAA	BIG EAST
Scoring Offense	4th at 71.5	
Scoring Defense	8th at 59.8	
Scoring Margin	6th at +11.7	
FT Percentage	19th at .763	1st at .763
FG Percentage	6th at .443	
FG Percentage Defense	6th at .368	
3-Point FG Percentage	5th at .359	
3-Point FG Pct. Defense	not kept	1st at .228
Rebounding	7th at 39.9	
Rebounding Defense	not kept	9th at 36.0
Rebounding Margin	8th at +3.9	
Blocked Shots	22nd at 5.4	3rd at 5.40
Assists	3rd at 17.60	
Steals	4th at 10.00	
Turnover Margin	not kept	4th at +2.80
Assist/Turnover Ratio	not kept	5th at 1.07
Individual Rankings	NCAA	BIG EAST
Scoring	Batteast, 39th at 18.3	Batteast, 3rd at 18.3 Duffy, 18th at 12.9
Rebounding		Batteast, 11th at 7.0
Assists		Duffy, 3rd at 5.00 Batteast, 8th at 3.70
FT Percentage	Duffy, 11th at .938	Duffy, 1st at .938 Batteast, 6th at .816
Steals		Duffy, 2nd at 2.60
3-Point FG Per Game		Duffy, 11th at 1.60
Blocked Shots		Borton, 3rd at 1.80 Batteast, 10th at 1.20
Assist/Turnover Ratio		Batteast, 9th at 1.95 Duffy, 11th at 1.61

2004-05 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 9-1 (Home: 6-1, Away: 3-0, Neutral: 0-0); 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. 12	10/11		(1) ILLINOIS STATE	W 92-73	W1	1-0		LaVere-18	three with 6	Duffy-8	6,190
Nov. 14	10/11		(1) NEBRASKA	W 73-57	W2	2-0		Batteast-24	Borton-11	Batteast-7	5,370
Nov. 17	11/10	6/6	(1) DUKE	W 76-65	W3	3-0		Batteast-17	LaVere-11	two with 7	3,094
Nov. 20	11/10	10/9	(1) OHIO STATE (ITV)	W 66-62	W4	4-0		Batteast-32	Gray-6	Duffy-6	3,925
Nov. 22	6/6		COLORADO STATE	W 69-47	W5	5-0		Duffy-15	Batteast-9	Batteast-7	5,115
Nov. 26	6/6		at USC (COM)	W 60-56	W6	6-0		Batteast-18	three with 5	Batteast-4	3,085
Nov. 30	3/3		at Valparaiso	W 69-59	W7	7-0		Batteast-25	Batteast-10	Duffy-4	2,214
Dec. 2	3/3	15/15	MICHIGAN STATE (CSTV)	L (ot) 73-82	L1	7-1		Erwin-20	two with 9	two with 4	5,544
Dec. 9	7/5		at Dayton	W 65-39	W1	8-1		Allen-14	Batteast-7	Duffy-5	2,517
Dec. 11	7/5		WASHINGTON (COM)	W 72-58	W2	9-1		Erwin-24	Batteast-10	Duffy-10	5,407
Dec. 19			at Marquette	1 p.m. CT							
Dec. 30			at Northern Illinois	7 p.m. CT							
Jan. 2			SETON HALL*	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 5			SYRACUSE*	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 9			at Villanova* (BETV)	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 12			CONNECTICUT* (CSTV)	8 p.m. ET							
Jan. 16			(2) PURDUE (ESPN2)	5 p.m. ET							
Jan. 19			at Syracuse*	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 23			RUTGERS* (BETV)	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 26			ST. JOHN'S* (COM)	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 30			at Connecticut* (ESPN2)	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 2			BOSTON COLLEGE*	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 5			at Pittsburgh*	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 9			at Providence*	7:30 p.m. ET							
Feb. 12			GEORGETOWN* (COM)	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 15			at Boston College* (CSTV)	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 19			at Rutgers*	Noon ET							
Feb. 26			WEST VIRGINIA* (COM)	2 p.m. ET							
March 1			at Seton Hall*	7 p.m. ET							
<u>BIG EAST Championship (Hartford Civic Center - Hartford, Conn.)</u>											
March 5			First Round	TBA							
March 6			Quarterfinals (CSTV)	TBA							
March 7			Semifinals (CSTV)	6/8 p.m. ET							
March 8			Championship (ESPN)	7 p.m. ET							
<u>NCAA Tournament - First & Second Rounds (Campus sites TBA)</u>											
March 19-20			First Round (ESPN/ESPN2)								
March 21-22			Second Round (ESPN/ESPN2)								
<u>NCAA Regionals (East - Philadelphia, Pa.; Mideast - Chattanooga, Tenn.; Midwest - Kansas City, Mo.; West - Tempe, Ariz.)</u>											
March 26-27			Semifinals (ESPN)								
March 28-29			Finals (ESPN)								
<u>NCAA Final Four (RCA Dome - Indianapolis, Ind.)</u>											
April 3			National Semifinals (ESPN)								
April 5			National Championship Game (ESPN)								

* BIG EAST Conference game

(1) Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT (held at campus sites)

(2) BIG EAST/Big Ten Challenge (Notre Dame, Ind.)

(ITV) Game televised live on Internet at www.sportsview.tv

(COM) Game to be televised live on Comcast Local (Detroit)

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

(ESPN/ESPN2) Game to be televised live on ESPN or ESPN2

(BETV) Game to be televised live on BIG EAST Conference television package

NR - Indicates Notre Dame and opponent national rankings in the Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls at tipoff

CAPS indicates home game played at Joyce Center (capacity 11,418)

2004-05 ATTENDANCE

	Totals	Avg.	High
All Games:	42,461	4,246	6,190 (ISU - 11/12)
Home:	34,645	4,949	6,190 (ISU - 11/12)
Away:	7,816	2,605	3,085 (USC - 11/26)
Neutral:	0	0	0

NOTRE DAME VS. MARQUETTE

2004-05 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 9-1 (Home: 6-1, Away: 3-0, Neutral: 0-0)

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.
Batteast, Jacqueline	10-10	332-33.2	70-160	.438	3-10	.300	40-49	.816	21	49	70	7.0	22-0	37	19	12	15	183	18.3
Duffy, Megan	10-10	375-37.5	34-78	.436	16-38	.421	45-48	.938	2	31	33	3.3	16-0	50	31	0	26	129	12.9
LaVere, Courtney	6-6	130-21.7	21-48	.438	0-1	.000	12-21	.571	7	24	31	5.2	13-0	9	12	7	7	54	9.0
Erwin, Crystal	10-4	195-19.5	36-65	.554	0-0	.000	10-20	.500	17	21	38	3.8	28-2	8	16	4	7	82	8.2
Allen, Charel	10-0	250-25.0	28-63	.444	2-6	.333	21-25	.840	20	29	49	4.9	24-1	20	19	6	15	79	7.9
Borton, Teresa	10-10	234-23.4	31-60	.517	0-0	.000	17-24	.708	30	31	61	6.1	31-0	11	17	18	5	79	7.9
Gray, Breona	10-10	263-26.3	26-65	.400	1-2	.500	11-14	.786	11	27	38	3.8	14-0	22	23	1	15	64	6.4
D'Amico, Melissa	9-0	83-9.2	13-29	.448	0-0	.000	3-8	.375	10	12	22	2.4	14-0	1	6	5	3	29	3.2
Gaines, Tulyah	6-0	72-12.0	2-12	.167	0-0	.000	5-6	.833	4	0	4	0.7	7-0	8	16	0	4	9	1.5
Powers, Susie	8-0	78-9.8	2-15	.133	1-7	.143	0-0	.000	4	9	13	1.6	2-0	9	3	1	3	5	0.6
Tsipis, Amanda	4-0	13-3.3	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	1	0	0	0	2	0.5
Team									20	20	40	4.0			2				
Notre Dame	10	2025	264-596	.443	23-64	.359	164-215	.763	146	253	399	39.9	171-3	176	164	54	100	715	71.5
Opponents	10	2025	218-593	.368	37-162	.228	125-174	.718	144	216	360	36.0	182-4	133	192	30	81	598	59.8

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 21, Opponents 27

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Notre Dame	320	392	3	-- 715
Opponents	258	328	12	-- 598

Current Notre Dame Players — Career Statistics vs. Marquette

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.
LaVere, Courtney	2-2	65-32.5	11-22	.500	0-0	.000	10-11	.909	5	11	16	8.0	4-0	4	8	5	2	32	16.0
Batteast, Jacqueline	3-3	89-29.7	20-39	.513	1-5	.200	5-8	.625	7	23	30	10.0	7-0	4	9	3	4	46	15.3
Duffy, Megan	2-1	62-31.0	6-13	.462	4-9	.444	8-10	.800	1	4	5	2.5	5-0	8	3	0	2	24	12.0
Borton, Teresa	3-2	65-21.7	8-14	.571	0-0	.000	5-8	.625	10	10	20	6.7	6-0	4	7	1	3	21	7.0
Erwin, Crystal	1-0	6-6.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3-4	.750	1	1	2	2.0	1-0	0	0	1	0	3	3.0
Gray, Breona	1-0	19-19.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	4	6	6.0	0-0	0	2	0	1	2	2.0

2004-05 Single Game Highs & Lows

Team Superlatives

Notre Dame High	Notre Dame Low	Category	Opponent High	Opponent Low
92 vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	60 at USC (11/26/04)	Points/Game	82 by Michigan State (12/2/04)	39 by Dayton (12/9/04)
50 (2nd) vs. Duke (11/17/04)	22 (1st) at Dayton (12/9/04)	Points/Half	41, twice (MR: 1st by Michigan State, 12/2/04)	14 (1st) by Dayton (12/9/04)
37 vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	21 at USC (11/26/04)	Field Goals Made	25, twice (MR: by Duke, 11/17/04)	15 by Dayton (12/9/04)
72 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	48 vs. Washington (12/11/04)	Field Goal Attempts	68 by Duke (11/17/04)	49 by Colorado State (11/22/04)
.604 vs. Washington (12/11/04)	.347 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	FG Percentage	.446 by Illinois State (11/12/04)	.288 by Dayton (12/9/04)
5, twice (MR: vs. Duke, 11/17/04)	0, twice (MR: vs. Washington, 12/11/04)	3-Point FG Made	7 by Nebraska (11/14/04)	1 by Dayton (12/9/04)
10 vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	3, twice (MR: vs. Washington, 12/11/04)	3-Point FG Attempts	20 by Washington (12/11/04)	12 by Ohio State (11/20/04)
1.000 vs. Duke (11/17/04)	.000, twice (MR: vs. Washington, 12/11/04)	3-Point FG Percentage	.368 by Nebraska (11/14/04)	.071 by Dayton (12/9/04)
20 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	10 at Dayton (12/9/04)	Free Throws Made	29 by Michigan State (12/2/04)	7 by USC (11/26/04)
27 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	15 at Dayton (12/9/04)	Free Throw Attempts	33 by Michigan State (12/2/04)	10 by Dayton (12/9/04)
1.000* at Valparaiso (11/30/04)	.619 vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	FT Percentage	.879 by Michigan State (12/2/04)	.412 by USC (11/26/04)
49 vs. Nebraska (11/14/04)	36, four times (MR: at Dayton, 12/9/04)	Rebounds	54*** by Michigan State (12/2/04)	27 by Valparaiso (11/30/04)
29** vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	11 at Valparaiso (11/30/04)	Assists	18 by Illinois State (11/12/04)	6 by USC (11/26/04)
20 vs. Colorado State (11/22/04)	5 vs. Nebraska (11/14/04)	Steals	13 by Ohio State (11/20/04)	3 by Nebraska (11/14/04)
12 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	1 vs. Washington (12/11/04)	Blocked Shots	11*** by Duke (11/17/04)	0, twice (MR: by USC, 11/26/04)
23 at USC (11/26/04)	10 at Valparaiso (11/30/04)	Turnovers	29 by Colorado State (11/22/04)	7 by Valparaiso (11/30/04)
23 vs. Illinois State (11/12/04)	13, twice (MR: vs. Colo. State, 11/22/04)	Fouls	21, three times (MR: by Michigan State, 12/2/04)	12 by Dayton (12/9/04)

* - school record // ** - Preseason WNIT record // *** - Joyce Center opponent record

Individual Superlatives

	Notre Dame	Opponent
Points Scored	32 by Jacqueline Batteast vs. Ohio State (11/20/04)	25 by Katie Donovan of Illinois State (11/12/04)
Field Goals Made	11 by Jacqueline Batteast vs. Ohio State (11/20/04)	8, twice (MR: by Cara Wright of Dayton, 12/9/04)
Field Goal Attempts	25 by Jacqueline Batteast vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	19 by Monique Currie of Duke (11/17/04)
Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)	1.000 (9-9*) by Crystal Erwin vs. Washington (12/11/04)	.700 (7-10) by Jessica Davenport of Ohio State (11/20/04)
3-Point Field Goals Made	3, three times (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. Michigan State, 12/2/04)	3, twice (MR: by Kayla Burt of Washington, 12/11/04)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	6, twice (MR: by Megan Duffy vs. Michigan State, 12/2/04)	8 by Jamie Gutowski of Valparaiso (11/30/04)
3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)	1.000 (2-2) by Charel Allen/Megan Duffy vs. Duke (11/17/04)	1.000 (2-2), twice (MR: by Kristin Haynie of MSU, 12/2/04)
Free Throws Made	10 by Jacqueline Batteast vs. Ohio State (11/20/04)	10, twice (MR: by Lindsay Bowen of Michigan St., 12/2/04)
Free Throw Attempts	12 by Jacqueline Batteast vs. Ohio State (11/20/04)	15 by Katie Donovan of Illinois State (11/12/04)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)	1.000 (8-8) by Megan Duffy at USC (11/26/04)	1.000 (9-9) by Jessica Davenport of Ohio State (11/20/04)
Rebounds	11, twice (MR: by Courtney LaVere vs. Duke, 11/17/04)	13 by Liz Shimek of Michigan State (12/2/04)
Assists	10 by Megan Duffy vs. Washington (12/11/04)	7 by Katie Boone of Valparaiso (11/30/04)
Steals	7 by Megan Duffy vs. Colorado State (11/22/04)	4, five times (MR: by Kayla Burt of Washington, 12/11/04)
Blocked Shots	6 by Teresa Borton vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	7** by Alison Bales of Duke (11/17/04)
Turnovers	9 by Megan Duffy vs. Ohio State (11/20/04)	7, twice (MR: by Camille LeNoir of USC, 11/26/04)
Minutes Played	45 by Megan Duffy vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)	45 by Lindsay Bowen of Michigan State (12/2/04)

* - Joyce Center record // ** - opponent record

NOTRE DAME VS. MARQUETTE

2004-05 Notre Dame Game-by-Game Statistics

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall		3-Point		FT-A	Pct.	Rebs. Off-Def-Tot	PF	A	TO	B	S	Pts
	FG-A	Pct.	FG-A	Pct.									
(1) NOTRE DAME (6,190)	37-70	.529	5-10	.500	13-21	.619	20-20-40	23	29	18	4	15	92
vs. Illinois State	25-56	.446	4-15	.267	19-29	.655	15-19-34	20	18	25	0	7	73
(1) NOTRE DAME (5,370)	28-65	.431	1-7	.143	16-21	.762	16-33-49	14	19	11	5	5	73
vs. Nebraska	21-65	.323	7-19	.368	8-15	.533	14-23-37	17	12	9	1	3	57
(1) NOTRE DAME (3,094)	26-63	.413	5-5	1.000	19-22	.864	17-25-42	13	21	16	6	9	76
vs. Duke	25-68	.368	6-17	.353	9-12	.750	18-21-39	21	15	21	11	5	65
(1) NOTRE DAME (3,925)	23-53	.434	3-6	.500	17-21	.810	14-22-36	16	12	18	8	8	66
vs. Ohio State	23-52	.442	2-12	.167	14-17	.824	9-19-28	20	15	16	4	13	62
NOTRE DAME (5,115)	24-58	.414	2-8	.250	19-26	.731	14-22-36	13	18	16	8	20	69
vs. Colorado State	18-49	.367	2-13	.154	9-12	.750	10-26-36	19	12	29	2	9	47
NOTRE DAME	21-51	.412	0-3	.000	18-24	.750	7-29-36	20	12	23	5	10	60
at USC (3,085)	23-66	.348	3-19	.158	7-17	.412	18-24-42	21	6	25	0	10	56
NOTRE DAME	24-58	.414	3-8	.375	18-18	1.000	18-25-43	16	11	10	3	6	69
at Valparaiso (2,214)	23-56	.411	2-16	.125	11-15	.733	11-16-27	15	12	7	2	7	59
Notre Dame (5,544)	25-72	.347	3-8	.375	20-27	.741	18-25-43	22	15	16	12	9	73
vs. MICHIGAN STATE	24-67	.358	5-17	.294	29-33	.879	20-34-54	21	14	20	2	12	82
NOTRE DAME	27-58	.466	1-6	.167	10-15	.667	11-25-36	15	14	16	2	8	65
at Dayton (2,517)	15-52	.288	1-14	.071	8-10	.800	13-22-35	12	12	26	5	5	39
NOTRE DAME (5,407)	29-48	.604	0-3	.000	14-20	.700	11-27-38	19	25	20	1	10	72
vs. Washington	21-62	.339	5-20	.250	11-14	.786	16-12-28	16	17	14	3	10	58

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

* - BIG EAST Conference game

(1) Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT (campus sites)

(2) BIG EAST/Big Ten Challenge (Notre Dame, Ind.)

(3) BIG EAST Conference Championship (Hartford, Conn.)

2004-05 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists

Opponent	Gaines	Allen	Powers	Tsipis	Borton	Duffy	Batteast	Gray	D'Amico	Erwin	LaVere
(1) ILLINOIS STATE	0-0-0	14-6-3	3-2-4	2-0-0	11-5-2	15-1-8	13-5-3	4-6-2	2-5-0	10-6-2	18-2-5
(1) NEBRASKA	DNP	2-8-3	0-2-0	0-0-0	13-11-1	7-5-3	24-6-7	12-7-2	3-5-0	1-2-1	11-2-2
(1) DUKE	DNP	16-3-3	DNP	DNP	7-6-1	15-3-7	17-5-7	6-2-2	DNP	2-4-1	13-11-0
(1) OHIO STATE	DNP	6-5-1	DNP	DNP	4-4-1	15-3-6	32-4-0	4-6-3	2-2-0	0-1-0	3-5-1
COLORADO STATE	DNP	6-4-1	0-2-2	0-0-0	9-5-0	15-1-5	14-9-7	3-2-0	3-0-1	12-2-1	7-6-1
at USC	2-1-2	6-4-1	0-0-0	DNP	2-5-1	12-4-2	18-5-4	4-2-2	5-3-0	9-3-0	2-5-0
at Valparaiso	0-2-0	6-9-2	0-1-0	DNP	6-9-1	20-5-4	25-10-1	6-3-3	2-0-0	4-2-0	DNP
MICHIGAN STATE	0-0-2	7-5-3	0-0-0	DNP	9-9-2	19-5-0	16-9-4	2-4-4	0-2-0	20-5-0	DNP
at Dayton	5-1-0	14-2-2	2-6-3	0-0-1	8-4-0	5-2-5	7-7-0	12-1-2	12-4-0	0-6-1	DNP
WASHINGTON	2-0-4	2-3-1	0-0-0	DNP	10-3-2	6-4-10	17-10-4	11-5-2	0-1-0	24-7-2	DNP

Home games in ALL CAPS

* - BIG EAST Conference game

(1) Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT (campus sites)

(2) BIG EAST/Big Ten Challenge (Notre Dame, Ind.)

(3) BIG EAST Conference Championship (Hartford, Conn.)

2004-05 Miscellaneous Statistics

	<u>All Games</u>
Most First Half Points Scored	48 vs. Illinois State (11/12)
Most First Half Points Allowed	41 by Michigan State (12/2)
Most Second Half Points Scored	50 vs. Duke (11/17)
Most Second Half Points Allowed	41 by Illinois State (11/12)
Fewest First Half Points Scored	22 at Dayton (12/9)
Fewest First Half Points Allowed	14 by Dayton (12/9)
Fewest Second Half Points Scored	31 at USC (11/26)
Fewest Second Half Points Allowed	24 by Colorado State (11/22)

Largest Leads

ND: 29, twice — 86-57 (5:19, 2nd) and 88-59 (4:35, 2nd) vs. Illinois State (ND 92-73), 11/12
 Opponent: 13 — 43-30 (19:34, 2nd) by Michigan State (MSU 82-73 - ot), 12/2

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 8, twice — 41-33 (15:30, 2nd) vs. Duke (ND 76-65), 11/17; 62-54 (5:18, 2nd) vs. Ohio State (ND 66-62), 11/20

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: 2 — 28-26 by Duke (ND 76-65), 11/17

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 6 — 67-61 (0:32, 2nd) vs. Michigan State (MSU 82-73 - ot), 12/2

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

Halftime Leads: ND: 8 (ND Record — 8-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 2 (ND Record — 1-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 0 (ND Record — 0-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Rebound Advantage: ND: 7 (ND Record — 7-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 2 (ND Record — 1-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Bench Scoring Advantage: ND: 7 (ND Record — 7-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 3 (ND Record — 2-1; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 0 (ND Record — 0-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

ND Margin: +35 points, +3.5 ppg. (ND — 158 pts., 15.8 ppg.; Opponents — 123 pts., 12.3 ppg.)

<u>Point Differential</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>26</u>
ND Wins	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
ND Losses	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Starting Lineups (F-F-C-G-G) & W-L Marks All Games

Batteast, LaVere, Borton, Duffy, Gray 6-0

Batteast, Erwin, Borton, Duffy, Gray 3-1

Complete Games Played: 3 // Opponents: 3

Most Minutes (overtime): 45 (Megan Duffy vs. Michigan State, 12/2)

Most Minutes (regulation): 40, twice (Megan Duffy vs. Duke, 11/17; Duffy vs. Ohio State, 11/20)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 33 (Batteast 9, Duffy 7, Erwin 4, Allen 3, Borton 3, Gray 3, LaVere 3, D'Amico 1) // Opponents: 22

20-29-Point Games: 5 (Batteast 2, Erwin 2, Duffy 1) // Opponents: 4

30-39-Point Games: 1 (Batteast 1) // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 7 (Batteast 5, Duffy 1, Erwin 1)

Team-High Honors*: 10 (Batteast 5, Erwin 2, Allen 1, Duffy 1, LaVere 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 4 (Batteast 2, Borton 1, LaVere 1) // Opponents: 4

Game-High Honors*: 5 (Batteast 3, Borton 1, LaVere 1)

Team-High Honors*: 15 (Batteast 6, Borton 3, Gray 2, LaVere 2, Allen 1, Erwin 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 1 (Duffy 1) // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 9 (Duffy 5, Batteast 4)

Team-High Honors*: 12 (Duffy 6, Batteast 5, Gray 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 4 (Batteast 2 - VALPO, UW; Borton 1 - NEB; LaVere 1 - DUKE) // Opponents: 3

* - 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 Mid-east 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 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 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 3/27/04 (Penn State 55, ND 49) (*NCAA East Regional Semifinal at Hartford, Conn.*)
 allowed less than 50 points was on 12/9/04 (ND 65, Dayton 39)
 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 3/1/03 — 12 points (5-17, 8:56, 1st; 7-19, 6:44, 1st) vs. Seton Hall (ND 62-60)*
 won on a "last second" shot was on 1/14/95 (ND 67, Detroit 65 — Letitia Bowen putback at 0:01)
 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 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*
 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*
 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 3/21/04 (ND 69, SMS 65 - ot) — Courtney LaVere 13, Jacqueline Batteast 11* (*NCAA East Region First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

had two players with "double-doubles" was on 3/21/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (17 pts., 11 reb.) & Courtney LaVere (11 pts., 13 reb.) vs. SMS (ND 69-65 - ot)* (*NCAA East Region First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

had three players with "double-doubles" was on 12/21/95 — Beth Morgan (28 pts., 11 reb.), Katryna Gaither (27 pts., 14 reb.) & Carey Poor (10 pts., 10 reb.) at Michigan State (MSU 87-83 - ot)

had two 20-point scorers was on 11/30/04 (ND 69, Valparaiso 59) — Jacqueline Batteast 25, Megan Duffy 20

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 11/30/04 (ND 69, Valparaiso 59) — 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 11/30/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (25) at Valparaiso (ND 69-59)

30 points was on 11/20/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (32) vs. Ohio State (ND 66-62)*

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 12/11/04 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. Washington (ND 72-58)*

5 blocks was on 12/2/04 — Teresa Borton (6) vs. Michigan State (MSU 82-73 - ot)*

5 steals was on 11/22/04 — Megan Duffy (7) vs. Colorado State (ND 69-47)*

a "double-double" was on 12/11/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (17 pts., 10 reb.) vs. Washington (ND 72-58)*

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 11/30/04 — Jacqueline Batteast (25 pts., 10 reb.) at Valparaiso (ND 69-59)

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 11/12/04 — Katie Donovan (25), Illinois State (ND 92-73)*

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 12/2/04 — Liz Shimek (13) and Kristin Haynie (10), Michigan State (MSU 82-73 - ot)*

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 11/17/04 — Alison Bales (7), Duke (ND 76-65)*

5 steals was on 3/23/04 — Keisha McClinic (6), Middle Tennessee (ND 59-46)* (*NCAA East Region Second Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

a "double-double" was on 12/2/04 — Kristin Haynie (17 pts., 10 reb.), Michigan State (MSU 82-73 - ot)*

a "triple-double" was on 1/24/89 — Diana Vines (23 pts., 11 reb., 12 stl.), DePaul (DPU 83-62)

* - Notre Dame home game

NOTRE DAME VS. MARQUETTE

2004-05 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 1

#10/11 Notre Dame 92, Illinois State 73
Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT — First Round
November 12, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Illinois State (73)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Harakas	19	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	2
Donovan	37	7-14	1-5	10-15	6	6	4	25
Hallstrom	24	8-13	0-0	7-10	8	0	4	23
Sandstead	29	4-6	1-1	2-4	4	2	4	11
McCormack	33	2-7	1-5	0-0	1	2	4	5
Tirtiaux	12	0-2	0-1	0-0	4	2	0	0
Hudson	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	1	0
Shelton	18	2-6	0-0	0-0	4	4	1	4
Ward	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Stevenson	13	1-2	1-2	0-0	2	0	0	3
Johnson	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	25-56	4-15	19-29	34	18	20	73

Notre Dame (92)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	17	6-11	1-2	0-0	5	3	3	13
LaVere	28	8-11	0-0	2-5	2	5	1	18
Borton	16	4-7	0-0	3-4	5	2	2	11
Duffy	36	5-8	3-4	2-2	1	8	1	15
Gray	23	2-5	0-0	0-1	6	2	4	4
Gaines	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Allen	27	4-9	0-1	6-7	6	3	3	14
Powers	19	1-5	1-3	0-0	2	4	1	3
Tsipis	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
D'Amico	8	1-6	0-0	0-2	5	0	2	2
Erwin	17	5-7	0-0	0-0	6	2	5	10
Team					2			
Totals	200	37-70	5-10	13-21	40	29	23	92

Illinois State	32	41	--	73
Notre Dame	48	44	--	92

FG Pct: Illinois State 44.6, Notre Dame 52.9. **3-PT FG Pct:** Illinois State 26.7, Notre Dame 50.0. **FT Pct:** Illinois State 65.5, Notre Dame 61.9. **Turnovers:** Illinois State 25, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** Illinois State 0, Notre Dame 4. **Steals:** Illinois State 7 (Sandstead 4), Notre Dame 15 (Gray, Erwin 3). **Attendance:** 6,190.

NOTES: Notre Dame had six players score in double figures for the first time since Jan. 23, 1999 (a 99-60 win vs. St. John's at the Joyce Center) ... the Irish set a new Preseason WNIT record with 29 assists, breaking the old mark of 28 set by both Connecticut and Vanderbilt on Nov. 9, 2001 ... Notre Dame scored 48 points in the first half, its highest output in the opening 20 minutes of a game since Nov. 26, 2002, when the Irish rang up a school-record 61 points to tip off a 107-65 win over Cleveland State ... junior guard Megan Duffy's eight assists were one shy of her career, set last season on Dec. 7 at Washington ... junior forward Courtney LaVere's five assists tied her career high, previously set in that 2002 win over Cleveland State ... sophomore forward Crystal Erwin picked up her second career double-figure scoring game, complementing the career-high 13-point effort she had last season on Dec. 13 vs. Dayton; she also had a career-high six rebounds, one more than her previous best that she set four times last year ... freshman guard Charel Allen's 14 points are the most by an Irish freshman in her debut game since LaVere had 18 against Cleveland State in 2002 ... sophomore guard Breona Gray made her first career start and tied her career high with six rebounds (vs. Marquette on Jan. 1, 2004) ... the Irish won their ninth consecutive season opener and are 15-3 in season openers during the 18-year Muffet McGraw era ... Notre Dame has now won 10 consecutive games over current Missouri Valley Conference (MVC) teams and is 24-2 all-time against that league (11-1 at home).

GAME 2

#10/11 Notre Dame 73, Nebraska 57
Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT — Quarterfinal
November 14, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Nebraska (57)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Diaz	12	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0
Gerhart	25	5-13	3-5	0-0	6	1	2	13
Aubry	30	5-13	2-2	4-6	4	2	1	16
Johansen	36	1-3	0-0	2-2	7	5	1	4
Hardy	28	2-16	0-7	0-0	3	2	5	4
Spiric	13	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	3	2
Samardziska	6	1-4	0-0	1-4	2	0	1	3
White	12	2-3	1-2	1-2	1	0	0	6
Kephart	10	1-3	1-2	0-0	2	1	0	3
Drmanac	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0
Page	23	3-5	0-0	0-1	5	0	2	6
Team					3			
Totals	200	21-65	7-19	8-15	37	12	17	57

Notre Dame (73)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	36	10-18	0-0	4-5	6	7	1	24
LaVere	12	3-4	0-0	5-7	2	2	4	11
Borton	24	6-10	0-0	1-1	11	1	3	13
Duffy	34	1-8	1-5	4-4	5	3	1	7
Gray	31	6-13	0-1	0-0	7	2	2	12
Allen	28	1-6	0-0	0-0	8	3	0	2
Powers	10	0-2	0-1	0-0	2	0	1	0
Tsipis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
D'Amico	12	1-3	0-0	1-2	5	0	0	3
Erwin	11	0-1	0-0	1-2	2	1	2	1
Team					1			
Totals	200	28-65	1-7	16-21	49	19	14	73

Nebraska	26	31	--	57
Notre Dame	35	38	--	73

FG Pct: Nebraska 32.3, Notre Dame 43.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Nebraska 36.8, Notre Dame 14.3. **FT Pct:** Nebraska 53.3, Notre Dame 76.2. **Turnovers:** Nebraska 9, Notre Dame 11. **Blocked Shots:** Nebraska 1, Notre Dame 5 (Batteast, Borton 2). **Steals:** Nebraska 3, Notre Dame 5 (Duffy 3). **Attendance:** 5,370.

NOTES: For the second consecutive game, four of Notre Dame's five starters scored in double figures ... senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast's 24 points marked the 22nd time in her career she has scored 20 or more points in a game ... she now has 1,352 career points, putting her just 22 points away from passing Shari Matvey for 10th place on the Irish career scoring list ... Batteast's seven assists tied her career high (Cleveland State on Nov. 26, 2002) ... senior center Teresa Borton's double-double was the third of her career and first since Feb. 5, 2002 at Pittsburgh (10 points, 10 rebounds) ... Borton's 11 rebounds also tied her career high, set twice before (last time was at St. John's on Feb. 17, 2004) ... sophomore guard Breona Gray's 12 points and seven rebounds both were career highs ... she had 11 points on March 2, 2004 vs. Syracuse, and twice had six rebounds in a game, most recently two nights earlier vs. Illinois State ... Notre Dame improves to 6-9 all-time against the present Big 12 Conference alignment, including a 2-1 mark at home ... with the victory, the Irish advanced to the Preseason WNIT semifinals for the second time in as many appearances in the tournament (they finished third in 1996) ... the Notre Dame victory also assures the BIG EAST Conference of having a representative in the Preseason WNIT semifinals for the seventh time in the 11-year history of the event.

GAME 3

#11/10 Notre Dame 76, #6/6 Duke 65
Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT — Semifinal
November 17, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Duke (65)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Williams	34	5-14	0-0	0-0	8	4	4	10
Currie	40	6-19	1-4	1-2	11	3	3	14
Bales	27	4-7	0-0	3-3	2	1	0	11
Smith	37	4-10	0-1	0-0	2	2	4	8
Foley	24	3-8	2-6	0-0	3	3	5	8
Kurz	8	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	1	1	3
Whitley	15	0-1	0-0	3-4	7	1	3	3
Howe	15	2-7	2-5	2-3	0	0	1	8
Team					5			
Totals	200	25-68	6-17	9-12	39	15	21	65

Notre Dame (76)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	28	7-15	1-1	2-2	5	7	3	17
LaVere	29	5-13	0-0	3-4	11	0	0	13
Borton	29	3-7	0-0	1-2	6	1	3	7
Duffy	40	2-3	2-2	9-10	3	7	1	15
Gray	23	2-7	0-0	2-2	2	2	1	6
Allen	32	6-13	2-2	2-2	3	3	2	16
Erwin	19	1-5	0-0	0-0	4	1	3	2
Team					8			
Totals	200	26-63	5-5	19-22	42	21	13	76

Duke	28	37	--	65
Notre Dame	26	50	--	76

FG Pct: Duke 36.8, Notre Dame 41.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Duke 35.3, Notre Dame 100.0. **FT Pct:** Duke 75.0, Notre Dame 86.4. **Turnovers:** Duke 21, Notre Dame 16. **Blocked Shots:** Duke 11 (Bales 7), Notre Dame 6 (Borton 3). **Steals:** Duke 5 (Currie 4), Notre Dame 9 (Allen 3). **Technical Foul:** Erwin (ND). **Attendance:** 3,094.

NOTES: The Irish are now 4-1 all-time against Duke, including a 2-0 mark at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame is now 9-4 (.692) all-time when it is ranked and hosting another ranked team at the Joyce Center ... Duke represents the 19th top-10 opponent Notre Dame has defeated in its history and the first since the Irish downed fourth-ranked Connecticut, 66-51 on Jan. 13, 2004, also at the Joyce Center ... in the past five-plus seasons (1998-99 to present), Notre Dame has defeated 31 ranked opponents ... for the third time in as many games, the Irish had at least four players score in double figures ... junior forward Courtney LaVere chalked up her seventh career double-double (first this season) with 13 points and 11 rebounds ... senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast tied her career high with seven assists for the second consecutive game ... the Irish set a school and arena record by making all five of their three-point attempts, breaking the old mark of .857 (6 of 7) set against Illinois-Chicago on Nov. 27, 1993 at the Joyce Center (the record requires a minimum of four shots made) ... Notre Dame scored 50 points in the second half, its highest scoring output in one period since Feb. 5, 2003, when the Irish scored 52 points in the second half of a 74-49 win over Georgetown at the Joyce Center ... the 76 points scored by Notre Dame are the most it has posted against a top-10 opponent since March 30, 2001, when the Irish defeated Connecticut, 90-75 in the NCAA Final Four at the Savvis Center in St. Louis ... with the victory, the Irish make their first trip to the Preseason WNIT finals (they lost in the semifinals, but won the now-defunct third-place game in 1996) ... the Notre Dame victory also assures the BIG EAST Conference of having a representative in the Preseason WNIT championship game for the third time in four years.

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GAME
4#11/10 Notre Dame 66, #10/9 Ohio State 62
Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT — Championship
November 20, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Ohio State (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Munoz	21	3-4	0-0	0-2	2	1	3	6
Davenport	34	7-10	0-0	9-9	7	2	4	23
Hoskins	25	3-6	0-1	0-0	5	3	2	6
Wilburn	32	3-6	1-2	0-1	5	6	2	7
Matter	35	5-15	0-6	3-3	1	2	0	13
Howe	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Battle	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Packer	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Dark	2	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Allen	13	2-5	1-2	0-0	0	1	2	5
Blanton	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	0
Riley	16	0-3	0-0	2-2	4	0	4	2
Team					2			
Totals	200	23-52	2-12	14-17	28	15	20	62

Notre Dame (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	38	11-23	0-2	10-12	4	0	3	32
LaVere	22	1-7	0-0	1-2	5	1	3	3
Borton	23	1-4	0-0	2-2	4	1	3	4
Duffy	40	5-7	3-4	2-2	3	6	2	15
Gray	33	1-2	0-0	2-3	6	3	0	4
Allen	22	3-3	0-0	0-0	5	1	2	6
D'Amico	9	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	3	2
Erwin	13	0-5	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team					6			
Totals	200	23-53	3-6	17-21	36	12	16	66

Ohio State	25	37	--	66
Notre Dame	29	37	--	62

FG Pct: Ohio State 44.2, Notre Dame 43.4. 3-PT FG Pct: Ohio State 16.7, Notre Dame 50.0. FT Pct: Ohio State 82.4, Notre Dame 81.0. Turnovers: Ohio State 16, Notre Dame 18. Blocked Shots: Ohio State 4 (Davenport 4), Notre Dame 8 (Batteast, LaVere 3). Steals: Ohio State 13 (Wilburn, Matter 3), Notre Dame 8. Attendance: 3,925.

NOTES: With the victory, Notre Dame wins its first regular-season tournament title since the 2001 Coaches vs. Cancer Challenge ... Notre Dame also earns the third Preseason WNIT title for a BIG EAST Conference team in the event's 11-year history, joining Connecticut's crowns in 1997 and 2001 ... the Irish have won 10 of their last 11 in-season tournament games, only losing at 20th-ranked Colorado, 67-63 in the title game of the 2003 WBCA Classic ... senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast was named the Most Valuable Player of the Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT, while junior guard Megan Duffy earned a spot on the all-tournament team ... the Irish have now played back-to-back top-10 opponents twice in their history and have won all four games in that scenario (vs. #1 Connecticut and #9 Purdue at the 2001 NCAA Final Four; vs. #6 Duke and #10 Ohio State in the 2004 Sportsview.tv Preseason WNIT) ... Notre Dame recorded its third victory over a top-10 opponent in its last 23 games, after also besting #4 Connecticut, 66-51 last January at the Joyce Center ... The Ohio State contest also marked the 800th game in Notre Dame women's basketball history, and the win improved the program's all-time record to 552-248 (.690) in less than 28 seasons of varsity action ... Batteast's 32 points were not only a career high, but the most by an Irish player since March 26, 2001, when Ruth Riley had 32 points vs. Vanderbilt in the NCAA Midwest Regional final ... Batteast also moved into 10th place on Notre Dame's career scoring list with 1,401 points, passing Shari Matvey (1,373 from 1979-83) ... Duffy had six assists, giving her six-or-more assists in three of her first four games ... Teresa Borton recorded her 100th career block, becoming the seventh player in school history to reach that milestone.

GAME
5#6/6 Notre Dame 69, Colorado State 47
November 22, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Colorado State (47)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Dennett	23	0-3	0-0	1-2	5	0	1	1
Thomas	25	6-11	0-0	0-0	10	1	2	12
Hunter	28	3-10	1-4	0-0	2	2	2	7
Espinoza	28	3-9	0-2	2-2	2	3	3	8
Walseth	23	1-5	1-5	0-0	3	4	1	3
Kramer	16	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0
Nohr	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
O'Dwyer	22	1-2	0-1	0-0	1	0	4	2
Tor-Agibidye	14	4-4	0-0	0-0	6	1	2	8
Moulton	15	0-2	0-0	6-8	6	0	3	6
Team					1			
Totals	200	18-49	2-13	9-12	36	12	19	47

Notre Dame (69)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	30	4-12	0-0	6-9	9	7	0	14
LaVere	20	3-8	0-1	1-2	6	1	2	7
Borton	19	3-6	0-0	3-3	5	0	4	9
Duffy	36	4-9	1-4	6-6	1	5	1	15
Gray	21	1-4	1-1	0-0	2	0	2	3
Allen	31	2-7	0-1	2-2	4	1	0	6
Powers	12	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	2	0	0
Tsipis	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
D'Amico	8	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	3
Erwin	20	6-9	0-0	0-2	2	1	3	12
Team					5			
Totals	200	24-58	2-8	19-26	36	18	13	69

Colorado State	23	24	--	47
Notre Dame	31	38	--	69

FG Pct: Colorado State 36.7, Notre Dame 41.4. 3-PT FG Pct: Colorado State 15.4, Notre Dame 25.0. FT Pct: Colorado State 75.0, Notre Dame 73.1. Turnovers: Colorado State 29, Notre Dame 16. Blocked Shots: Colorado State 2, Notre Dame 8. Steals: Colorado State 9, Notre Dame 20 (Duffy 7). Attendance: 5,115.

NOTES: Notre Dame was playing its fifth game in 11 days, the most compressed early-season schedule for the Irish since 2000-01, when Notre Dame also went 5-0 ... the Irish improve to 3-1 all-time against Colorado State, winning their third in a row against the Rams since losing the initial matchup in November 2001 ... for the fourth time in five games, Notre Dame had at least three players scoring in double figures ... also for the fourth time this season, the Irish finished on the plus side of the assist/turnover ratio ... the Irish forced 29 turnovers, their best defensive production since they caused 37 Miami turnovers on Feb. 25, 2004 at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame came up with 20 steals against Colorado State, the most thefts the Irish have recorded in a single game since Nov. 26, 2002, when they also had 20 steals in a victory over Cleveland State at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame held CSU to an opponent season-low 47 points ... junior guard Megan Duffy swiped a career-high seven steals, while freshman guard Charel Allen added five thefts ... for the third time in four games, senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast tied her career high with seven assists ... sophomore forward Crystal Erwin had her second double-figure scoring game of the year after having only one all of last season; she also set new career highs with six field goals made and nine attempts.

GAME
6#6/6 Notre Dame 60, USC 56
November 26, 2004
Los Angeles Sports Arena (Los Angeles, Calif.)

Notre Dame (60)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	39	7-20	0-0	4-4	5	4	2	18
LaVere	19	1-5	0-0	0-1	5	0	3	2
Borton	21	1-3	0-0	0-2	5	1	4	2
Duffy	33	2-6	0-3	8-8	4	2	2	12
Gray	21	1-5	0-0	2-2	2	2	2	4
Gaines	14	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	1	2
Allen	23	2-3	0-0	2-4	4	1	3	6
Powers	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
D'Amico	7	2-2	0-0	1-1	3	0	1	5
Erwin	19	4-5	0-0	1-2	3	0	2	9
Team					4			
Totals	200	21-51	0-3	18-24	36	12	20	60

USC (56)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Woodward	31	4-12	0-1	0-0	3	1	2	8
Funn	25	6-9	0-0	1-5	7	0	2	13
Gipson	26	4-8	0-0	4-5	9	0	3	12
Hagiya	19	0-4	0-3	0-0	2	0	2	0
Gnekow	32	1-10	0-5	0-0	7	2	2	2
LeNoir	23	2-8	1-3	0-1	3	2	3	5
Cameron	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Murphy	20	5-12	2-6	0-1	4	0	2	12
Jaskowiak	6	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0
Kerr	16	1-1	0-0	2-5	2	0	5	4
Team					4			
Totals	200	23-66	3-19	7-17	42	6	21	56

Notre Dame	29	31	--	60
USC	20	36	--	56

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.2, USC 34.8. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 0.0, USC 15.8. FT Pct: Notre Dame 75.0, USC 41.2. Turnovers: Notre Dame 23, USC 25. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 5, USC 0. Steals: Notre Dame 10 (Batteast 3), USC 10. Attendance: 3,085.

NOTES: Notre Dame improves to 6-0 for the third time in school history (6-0 in 1998-99; 23-0 in 2000-01) ... last season, the Irish did not win their first true road game until Dec. 29 at Colorado State (their fifth such game of the season) ... Notre Dame is now 6-1 all-time vs. USC, winning its last six games against the Trojans (3-0 in Los Angeles) ... for the third time in the past four meetings, the Irish held the Women of Troy to less than 60 points ... after yielding 73 points to Illinois State in the season opener, Notre Dame has held its last five opponents to 65 points or less (including three with less than 60 points) ... the last three Irish opponents all have been held to less than 20 percent on three-point shooting (.158, 3-of-19 by USC, counting a half-court shot by the Trojans at the final horn) ... the Irish have won 12 of their last 14 games against Pac-10 Conference opponents ... the USC game was the sixth in the first 14 days of the season for Notre Dame ... Notre Dame forced 25 or more turnovers for the third time this season and the Irish have 54 takeaways in their last two games (30 steals) ... the Irish are 5-0 this season when their bench outscored the opposition's reserves (22-21 vs. USC) ... senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast moved into ninth place on the school's career scoring list with 1,433 points, passing Niele Ivey (1,430 from 1996-2001); next up is Sheila McMillen, who scored 1,439 points from 1995-99 ... Batteast also had two blocks, tying her with Shari Matvey for fourth place on the Irish career blocks list with 133 rejections ... junior guard Megan Duffy continues to be nearly automatic at the free throw line this season, making 31 of 32 charities (.969); she also has converted 39 of her last 41 free throws (.951) in the past 12 Irish games, dating back to Feb. 28, 2004 at Rutgers ... senior center Teresa Borton appeared in her 100th game at Notre Dame, the most of any active Irish player.

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GAME 10

#7/5 Notre Dame 72, Washington 58
December 11, 2004
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Washington (58)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bell	26	4-10	0-0	0-0	6	1	4	8
Watson	25	4-11	0-2	0-1	1	3	0	8
Hicks	21	2-6	0-1	2-2	4	3	0	6
Burt	33	5-10	3-7	3-3	3	1	1	16
O'Neill	28	2-5	2-5	0-0	4	3	3	6
Craddock	10	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	2	0
Florence	12	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	2	1	0
Banks	16	2-7	0-2	2-3	2	1	2	6
Castro	5	0-2	0-1	0-0	2	2	0	0
Clark	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
O'Hara	17	2-6	0-0	4-4	2	0	3	8
Plouffe	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					3			
Totals	200	21-62	5-20	11-14	28	17	16	58

Notre Dame (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	32	7-13	0-0	3-5	10	4	4	17
Erwin	34	9-9	0-0	6-9	7	2	3	24
Borton	26	5-7	0-0	0-0	3	2	4	10
Duffy	39	2-5	0-2	2-2	4	10	1	6
Gray	31	5-6	0-0	1-2	5	2	0	11
Gaines	15	0-3	0-0	2-2	0	4	2	2
Allen	17	1-4	0-1	0-0	3	1	4	2
Powers	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
D'Amico	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Team					5			
Totals	200	29-48	0-3	14-20	38	25	19	72

Washington	25	33	--	58
Notre Dame	36	36	--	72

FG Pct: Washington 33.9, Notre Dame 60.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Washington 25.0, Notre Dame 0.0. **FT Pct:** Washington 78.6, Notre Dame 70.0. **Turnovers:** Washington 14, Notre Dame 20. **Blocked Shots:** Washington 3, Notre Dame 1. **Steals:** Washington 10 (Burt 4), Notre Dame 10 (Duffy 3). **Attendance:** 5,407.

NOTES: Notre Dame takes a 2-1 series lead over Washington, in what was the Huskies' first-ever visit to South Bend ... the Irish also continue their recent success against Pac-10 opponents, winning for the 13th time in the past 15 games against teams from that league (2-0 this year with a Nov. 26 win at USC) ... Notre Dame shot a season-best .604 from the floor (29-for-48), the best single-game shooting percentage by an Irish team since Feb. 27, 2001 (.635 at Pittsburgh) ... Notre Dame's first five baskets came from five different starters and the Irish starting lineup combined to shoot .700 (28-for-40) from the field ... Notre Dame's 25 assists on 29 field goals (.862) is the best assist percentage in a game for the Irish since Jan. 2, 2000, when Notre Dame had 26 assists on 29 baskets (.897) in a 75-60 win over Marquette ... The Irish are 9-1 after 10 games for the third time in school history - the others were 1998-99 (9-1) and 2000-01 (10-0) ... Notre Dame had four double-figure scorers for the fourth time this season, but first since they did so in each of their first three games (vs. Illinois State, Nebraska and #6 Duke) ... with her 9-for-9 shooting performance, sophomore forward Crystal Erwin tied an 18-year-old Joyce Center record previously set by Sandy Botham vs. Evansville on Feb. 28, 1986; the only Irish player with a better shooting night than Erwin and Botham was Karen Robinson, who went 12-for-12 on the road at Saint Louis on Jan. 14, 1989 ... Erwin finished with a career-high 24 points, breaking the freshly-minted mark of 20 points she set nine days earlier on Dec. 2 in an overtime loss to then-#15 Michigan State ... Erwin also plucked a career-best seven rebounds, one more than her previous high which she had done twice before (most recently two nights earlier at Dayton) ... junior guard Megan Duffy dished out a career-high 10 assists, breaking her personal standard of nine assists which she set in last year's game at Washington (Dec. 7, 2003) ... Duffy also is the first Irish player to record 10 assists in a game since Niele Ivey also had 10 handouts vs. Connecticut on Jan. 15, 2001 at the Joyce Center ... senior All-America forward Jacqueline Batteast notched her second double-double of the season (34th of her career) with 17 points and a game-high 10 rebounds.