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NOTRE DAME

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2001-02 Irish Schedule/Results (19-7, 13-2 BIG EAST)

November

6	Tues.	<i>OGBM Legends (exh.)</i>	W, 76-62
13	Tues.	<i>Christian Bros. (exh.)</i>	W, 87-39
18	Sun.	Valparaiso	W, 42-35
21	Wed.	at (20/22) Colorado State	L, 66-72
24	Sat.	at Arizona	L, 70-72
26	Mon.	Army	W, 89-57

December

2	Sun.	vs. (16/17) Michigan [^]	L, 63-78
6	Thurs.	at (7/8) Purdue	L, 57-70
9	Sun.	USC	W, 62-49
12	Wed.	Western Michigan	W, 71-48
22	Sat.	Marquette	W, 60-33
28	Fri.	at Rice	L, 61-72
31	Mon.	DePaul	W, 79-50

January

2	Wed.	at Miami*	W, 69-65
9	Sat.	Providence*	W, 72-66
9	Wed.	Seton Hall*	W, 79-45
12	Sat.	at Villanova*	L, 59-60
19	Sat.	at Providence*	W, 69-41
21	Mon.	at (1/1) Connecticut*#	L, 53-80
26	Sat.	(16/17) Virginia Tech*	W, 64-57
29	Tues.	Syracuse*	W, 71-46

February

2	Sat.	at Seton Hall*	W, 65-60
5	Tues.	at Pittsburgh*	W, 68-56
10	Sun.	(16/18) Boston College*	W, 60-44
13	Wed.	St. John's*	W, 66-31
16	Sat.	at Rutgers*	W, 57-52
19	Tues.	West Virginia*	W, 72-63
23	Sat.	at Georgetown	W, 86-66
26	Tues.	Villanova*	7 p.m.

March

3	Sun.	BIG EAST Quarterfinal+	6 p.m.
4	Mon.	BIG EAST Semifinal+	8 p.m.
5	Tues.	BIG EAST Final+ (ESPN2)	7:30 p.m.
15-	Fri.-	NCAA First and Second Rounds	
18	Mon.	(campus sites)	
23-	Sat.-	NCAA Regionals (Raleigh;	
25	Mon.	Milwaukee; Ames, Iowa; Boise)	
29-	Fri.-	NCAA Final Four	
31	Sun.	(San Antonio, Texas)	

Boldface indicates home game

Italics indicates exhibition game

* indicates BIG EAST Conference game

(x/y) indicates rankings in AP & ESPN/USA Today polls at tipoff

[^] Women's College Basketball Showcase (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

Game played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center

+ BIG EAST Championship (Piscataway, N.J.)

All times are local to site and subject to change

Game No.

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(#21 AP/#25 ESPN/USA Today) **Notre Dame Fighting Irish (19-7, 13-2)**
vs. Villanova Wildcats (17-9, 11-4)

The Date and Time: Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2002, at 7 p.m. EST.

The Site: Joyce Center (11,418) in Notre Dame, Ind.

The Radio Plans: All Notre Dame games are broadcast live on WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1620 in South Bend) with **Sean Stires** handling the play-by-play. These broadcasts also are available through the Notre Dame athletics website at www.und.com.

Real-Time Stats: Live in-game statistics are available for the Villanova game, via the Notre Dame (www.und.com) and Villanova (www.villanova.com) athletic websites.

Websites: Notre Dame (www.und.com), Villanova (www.villanova.com).

MULTIPLE STORYLINES MERGE AS NO. 21/25 NOTRE DAME PLAYS HOST TO VILLANOVA

A variety of factors will converge when No. 21/25 Notre Dame plays its final regular-season home game Tuesday at 7 p.m. (EST) against BIG EAST Conference rival Villanova at the Joyce Center. In addition to protecting their current 51-game home winning streak, the longest in the nation, the Irish will be seeking a measure of revenge against the Wildcats, who dealt Notre Dame a last-second 60-59 loss in their first meeting this season back on Jan. 12 at Villanova. On top of that, the Irish will be emotionally charged as they recognize their lone senior, guard/forward **Ericka Haney**, in a pregame ceremony.

Notre Dame (19-7, 13-2 BIG EAST) picked up its ninth consecutive win and locked up the No. 2 seed in the upcoming BIG EAST Championship with an 86-66 win at Georgetown last Saturday afternoon. Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** scored 20 of her game-high 24 points in the second half as the Irish wiped out a one-point halftime deficit with a season-best 49 points in the final period. Freshmen **Katy Flecky** and **Allison Bustamante** each scored 14 points, with Flecky setting a new career high in that department.

Villanova (17-9, 11-4) has positioned itself well for a run into the NCAA Tournament, winning its last five games, including a 76-64 win over Virginia Tech last Saturday. Senior guard **Mimi Riley** made her final home game a memorable one, chalking up a career-high 34 points, the most by a BIG EAST player this season. Junior forward **Katie Davis** added 13 points and junior forward **Trish Juhline** chipped in with 10 points for the Wildcats.

Juhline leads VU in scoring at 14.4 ppg., followed by Riley, who averages 12 points per night. Sophomore forward **Courtney Mix** is the top rebounder for Villanova, logging seven boards per game. As a team, the Wildcats rely heavily on the three-point shot, averaging a whopping 26 three-point attempts per game.

Harry Perretta is in his 24th season as the head coach at Villanova, compiling a 434-254 (.631) record with the Wildcats. He is 4-11 all-time against Notre Dame, including an 0-5 mark at the Joyce Center.

LAST IRISH GAME

Notre Dame 86, Georgetown 66

Feb. 23, 2002

McDonough Arena (Washington, D.C.)

Notre Dame (86)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	22	3-8	0-0	7-8	5	1	3	13
Flecky	28	6-9	0-0	2-5	7	1	4	14
Barksdale	19	3-5	0-0	2-2	7	2	4	8
Severe	37	2-4	0-0	3-6	6	8	2	7
Ratay	38	6-11	4-7	8-8	7	0	0	24
Krause	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Swanson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Borton	17	3-4	0-0	0-0	4	0	5	6
Wicks	8	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	0
Bustamante	29	5-11	3-8	1-2	3	2	2	14
Team					5			
Totals	200	28-52	7-15	23-33	46	15	21	86

Georgetown (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Duany	35	3-10	0-0	15-19	3	2	2	21
Brunson	32	4-9	0-1	5-8	9	1	3	13
Lisicky	39	4-11	3-8	0-0	2	5	4	11
Charles	36	1-4	1-1	0-0	5	4	4	3
Walker	37	3-13	1-4	0-0	2	3	5	7
Besozzi	6	2-5	0-0	2-2	3	0	2	6
Horvath	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Belton	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Bendegue	9	2-5	0-0	1-1	3	0	2	5
Jackson	2	0-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	19-60	5-16	23-30	31	15	24	66

Notre Dame	37	49	--	86
Georgetown	38	28	--	66

FG Pct: Notre Dame 53.8, Georgetown 31.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 46.7, Georgetown 31.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 69.7, Georgetown 76.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 12, Georgetown 8. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 4 (Barksdale 3), Georgetown 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 5 (Ratay 3), Georgetown 8 (Walker 4). **Attendance:** 1,017.



ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL
(Feb. 25)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (44)	29-0	1
2.	Stanford	28-1	2
3.	Tennessee	24-3	4
4.	Duke	24-3	5
5.	Oklahoma	23-3	3
6.	Vanderbilt	24-6	6
7.	Purdue	22-4	8
8.	Baylor	23-4	9
9.	Louisiana Tech	20-4	7
10.	Iowa State	21-6	13
11.	Colorado	20-8	11
12.	South Carolina	22-5	10
13.	Texas	18-8	15
14.	Kansas State	22-6	12
15.	Texas Tech	17-9	17
16.	Old Dominion	21-5	18
17.	Minnesota	21-6	14
18.	Boston College	21-5	21
19.	North Carolina	22-7	19
20.	Colorado State	21-5	20
21.	NOTRE DAME	19-7	22
22.	Florida	18-9	16
23.	Cincinnati	23-4	25
24.	Georgia	18-9	23
25.	TCU	22-5	—

ESPN/USA TODAY POLL
(Feb. 25)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (40)	29-0	1
2.	Stanford	27-1	2
3.	Tennessee	24-3	4
4.	Duke	24-3	5
5.	Oklahoma	23-3	3
6.	Vanderbilt	24-6	7
7.	Purdue	22-4	9
8.	Baylor	23-4	8
9.	Louisiana Tech	20-4	6
10.	Iowa State	21-6	11
11.	South Carolina	22-5	10
12.	Colorado	20-8	13
13.	Texas	18-8	14
14.	Kansas State	22-6	12
15.	Texas Tech	17-9	17
16.	Colorado State	21-5	16
17.	(tie) Florida	18-9	15
17.	(tie) Boston College	21-5	18
19.	Old Dominion	21-5	21
20.	Minnesota	21-6	19
21.	North Carolina	22-7	20
22.	Cincinnati	23-4	23
23.	TCU	22-5	—
24.	Georgia	18-9	22
25.	NOTRE DAME	19-7	—

Boldface indicates 2001-02 Notre Dame opponents

SCOUTING THE IRISH

Notre Dame looks to write a new chapter in its rapidly-developing history as the Irish defend their first NCAA championship in 2001-02. Six monogram winners, including two starters, return from last season's title-winning squad, giving head coach **Muffet McGraw** a broad foundation from which to build this year. In addition, the Irish welcome six talented freshmen to the fold, a group heralded as perhaps the finest recruiting class in school history and ranked as high as third by several national publications.

McGraw is in her 20th season as a college coach (15th at Notre Dame) with a 429-165 (.722) overall record and 341-124 (.733) mark while under the shadow of the Golden Dome. She has led the Irish to six straight NCAA Tournament appearances and eight overall — Notre Dame has advanced to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen four times, the Final Four twice and won the 2001 NCAA title, all in the last five seasons under McGraw's guidance. She was a near-unanimous choice as national coach of the year in 2000-01, winning top honors from the Atlanta Tipoff Club (Naismith Award), Associated Press, Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA), and Sports Illustrated for Women. She also was named the BIG EAST Coach of the Year, marking the third different conference to recognize McGraw as its top skipper since she took the reins at Notre Dame in 1987.

Both of Notre Dame's returning starters were honored by the BIG EAST coaches in their preseason balloting. Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** (6.6 ppg., 4.5 rpg.) was a second team preseason all-conference pick and brings explosive quickness and versatility to the Irish lineup, along with veteran leadership. As Notre Dame's only captain, she is being called upon to assume a greater mantle of responsibility in '01-02. After starting the first six games for the Irish, she moved into a reserve role for the next four games, picking up her first double-double of the year against Western Michigan. She returned to the starting lineup beginning with the DePaul game and has started all but one contest since then, scoring a season-high 15 points on Feb. 19 against West Virginia. She also is averaging 10.5 ppg. in her last eight games. Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** (14.9 ppg., 5.6 rpg., .430 3FG%) was a first team preseason all-BIG EAST choice and was one of 30 finalists for the Naismith Award after setting an NCAA record for three-point percentage (.547) by a sophomore last season. On Dec. 6 at Purdue, she became the 19th player in school history to score 1,000 career points. She is third in the BIG EAST in scoring for all games, and ranks second in conference games at 16.5 ppg., after averaging 26.7 points in her last three games. In addition, she is the reigning two-time BIG EAST Player of the Week, earning the award for the second time in her career on Monday.

Joining Ratay in the backcourt is sophomore **Le'Tania Severe** (6.6 ppg., 3.9 rpg., 5.1 apg.), who was hampered by injuries last season, appearing in just 22 games. However, she has confidently taken a larger role in the Irish offense this season, scoring a career-high 17 points against USC and handing out a career-best nine assists (with only one turnover) on Jan. 29 against Syracuse. She ranks seventh in the BIG EAST Conference in assists, ninth in steals (1.96 spg.), and 13th in assist/turnover ratio (1.27). Severe had eight assists and just one turnover in Saturday's win at Georgetown. Also spending time at the point has been sophomore **Jeneka Joyce** (3.8 ppg., 1.6 rpg.), who has started eight times for the Irish this season. Joyce has made 16 three-point field goals, one of five Notre Dame players to have at least 10 treys this year. However, she has missed six of the last nine games (including Saturday's Georgetown contest) with a strained left Achilles' tendon. Junior **Karen Swanson** (0.9 ppg., 0.5 rpg.) and **Jill Krause** (0.4 ppg., 0.3 rpg.) provide McGraw with additional flexibility in her point guard rotation. Swanson and Krause each scored two points against St. John's, with Krause making the first two free throws of her career. Freshmen **Allison Bustamante** (4.9 ppg., 2.0 rpg.) and **Kelsey Wicks**

LAST IRISH GAME VS. VILLANOVA

Villanova 60, Notre Dame 59
Jan. 12, 2002
The Pavilion (Villanova, Pa.)

Notre Dame (59)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	32	4-10	0-0	1-1	7	0	1	9
Batteast	20	6-13	2-3	0-0	5	1	5	14
Barksdale	19	4-4	0-0	1-2	4	1	0	9
Severe	26	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	1	1	0
Ratay	39	7-13	1-2	7-7	7	4	1	22
Joyce	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	3	0	0
Borton	18	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	2
Wicks	11	1-2	1-1	0-1	2	0	1	3
Flecky	14	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0
Bustamante	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team					2			
Totals	200	23-49	4-7	9-11	34	12	9	59

Villanova (60)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Mix	32	4-11	0-1	3-3	7	4	2	11
Druckenmiller	13	0-3	0-3	0-0	1	1	0	0
Baker	32	2-4	0-1	2-2	3	0	2	6
Riley	38	6-9	0-0	0-2	2	5	3	12
Davis	34	4-6	4-6	0-0	1	2	3	12
Harris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Juhline	31	6-14	4-9	3-4	4	3	3	19
Rediger	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hilgenberg	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Nash	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					2			
Totals	200	22-49	8-21	8-11	20	15	15	60

Notre Dame	31	28	--	59
Villanova	25	35	--	60

FG Pct: Notre Dame 46.9, Villanova 44.9. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 57.1, Villanova 38.1. FT Pct: Notre Dame 81.8, Villanova 72.7. Turnovers: Notre Dame 14, Villanova 8. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 7 (Batteast 3), Villanova 6. Steals: Notre Dame 3, Villanova 10 (Juhline 4). Technical Foul: Villanova bench. Attendance: 2,259.

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NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
3	Ericka Haney (C)	G/F	6-0	Sr.	6.6	4.5	0.7 spg	10.5 ppg. in last eight games (13 pts. at GU)
33	Katy Flecky	F	6-2	Fr.	4.8	3.3	0.7 apg	8.7 ppg. since moving into lineup three games ago
31	Amanda Barksdale	C	6-3	Jr.	3.7	3.3	3.3 bpg	Ranked fourth in the nation in blocked shots
4	Le'Tania Severe	G	5-8	So.	6.6	3.9	5.1 apg	Carded eight assists, one turnover at Georgetown
22	Alicia Ratay	G	6-0	Jr.	14.9	5.6	1.6 apg	26.7 ppg., .558 FG% in last three (24 pts. at GU)

OFF THE BENCH FOR THE IRISH

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
5	Jeneka Joyce	G	5-9	So.	3.8	1.6	1.4 apg	Missed six of last nine games (Achilles injury)
10	Jill Krause	G	5-8	Fr.	0.4	0.3	0.4 apg	Dished out assist late in win at Georgetown
11	Karen Swanson	G	5-8	Jr.	0.9	0.5	0.2 apg	Registered two points in win over St. John's
12	Teresa Borton	C	6-3	Fr.	6.1	5.1	1.0 apg	Shooting team-high 56 percent in BIG EAST games
21	Jacqueline Batteast	F	6-1	Fr.	14.8	8.5	2.2 apg	Out with knee injury (will return Sun. at BE Tourn.)
24	Kelsey Wicks	G	6-2	Fr.	4.7	3.4	0.5 spg	Made 4-of-4 FT in final 10 seconds at Rutgers
44	Allison Bustamante	G	6-0	Fr.	4.9	2.0	0.6 apg	Came off bench to score 14 points at Georgetown

Boldface denotes team statistical leaders // (C) denotes team captain

(4.7 ppg., 3.4 rpg.) provide the Irish with solid ballhandling and perimeter shooting depth. Bustamante tossed in 14 points in Saturday's win at Georgetown, while Wicks posted a career-best 16 points on Jan. 21 at top-ranked Connecticut. Wicks also hit 4-of-4 free throws in the final 10 seconds to seal a key road win at Rutgers on Feb. 16.

A pair of freshmen (and former Parade All-Americans) are making an immediate impact on the Notre Dame front line, as forward **Jacqueline Batteast** (14.8 ppg., 8.5 rpg.) and center **Teresa Borton** (6.1 ppg., 5.1 rpg.) started the first six games for the Irish. Batteast was named the 2001-02 preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year and her combination of speed, athleticism and perimeter shooting ability make her a valuable weapon in the Irish arsenal. A six-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week, Batteast rank in the top 10 in the BIG EAST in scoring (6th), rebounding (2nd), blocks (3rd, 1.52) and double-doubles (tie-1st, 11), and she has claimed game-high rebounding honors 11 times and top scoring laurels 10 times. However, Batteast has been sidelined the last three games after suffering a partial tear of the posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) in her right knee on Feb. 13 against St. John's. Meanwhile, at 6-3, Borton is a smooth and versatile post player with excellent mobility and a solid defensive presence. She is shooting a team-high .560 from the field in conference games and picked up her second double-double of the season with 10 points and a career-high 10 rebounds on Feb. 5 in a victory at Pittsburgh.

Junior **Amanda Barksdale** (3.7 ppg., 3.3 rpg., 3.3 bpg.) was one of the nation's top shot blockers last season and has recovered nicely after missing Notre Dame's first four games with a stress reaction in her right leg. She set a school record with 11 blocks on Feb. 10 against Boston College, matching the third-highest total in the nation this season. Barksdale currently leads the BIG EAST in blocked shots and stands fourth in the most recent NCAA rankings, and with her performance against BC, she passed Katryna Gaither for second place on Notre Dame's career blocks list (now with 164 blocks). Meanwhile, freshman **Katy Flecky** (4.8 ppg., 3.3 rpg.) was a two-time Miss Colorado Basketball and offers the Irish an physical presence in the post. She scored a career-high 14 points and grabbed seven rebounds Saturday at Georgetown, paving the way for her selection as BIG EAST Rookie of the Week on Monday. She is averaging 8.7 ppg. in three starts since replacing the injured Batteast in the lineup.

RECAPPING GEORGETOWN

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** had 24 points and seven rebounds, and No. 22 Notre Dame overcame a one-point halftime deficit and cruised to an 86-66 victory Saturday over Georgetown at McDonough Arena in Washington, D.C.

Ratay made six of 11 shots, including four of seven 3-pointers, and was perfect on eight free throws for Notre Dame (19-7, 13-2 BIG EAST). Freshman guard **Allison Bustamante** and freshman forward **Katy Flecky** added 14 points apiece, with Flecky establishing a new career high. Senior guard/forward

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	ND	VU
Overall/BIG EAST record	19-7/13-2	17-9/11-4
AP/ESPN-USA Today rank	21/25	arv/arv

SCORING

Points scored per game	66.5	62.0
Points allowed per game	56.5	56.4
Field goal percentage	.431	.383
Three-point percentage	.382	.339
Free throw percentage	.681	.701

REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	42.8	34.0
Opponent rebs. per game	34.7	35.3
Rebounding margin	+8.1	(-1.3)

OTHER

Assists per game	13.8	15.2
Turnovers per game	17.2	11.3
Assist/turnover ratio	0.80	1.35
Blocked shots per game	6.5	4.2
Steals per game	7.3	7.5

KEVIN WHITE RADIO SHOW

A weekly half-hour show featuring Notre Dame athletics director **Kevin White** began Sept. 9 on Chicago's ESPN Radio 1000. "The Kevin White Show" is scheduled to air from 10-10:30 p.m. Central time for 30 consecutive Sundays on ESPN radio (1000 AM in Chicago, www.espnradio1000.com). The show also 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 VILLANOVA SERIES

Series: ND leads 11-4. Games Played at Joyce Center: ND leads 5-0.

Date	Site	Result	Score
1/6/81	Villanova, PA	L	57-70
1/3/83	Villanova, PA	W	72-68
2/11/84	Notre Dame, IN	W	85-79
12/29/87	Villanova, PA*	L	55-56
2/14/96	Notre Dame, IN	W	72-56
1/12/97	Villanova, PA	W	77-54
2/19/97	Notre Dame, IN	W	68-51
1/28/98	Villanova, PA	L	54-70
3/1/98	Piscataway, NJ#	W	56-48
12/12/98	Notre Dame, IN	W	63-62
2/10/99	Villanova, PA	W	74-52
2/28/99	Piscataway, NJ#	W	83-53
2/16/00	Villanova, PA	W	70-52
12/6/00	Notre Dame, IN	W	64-33
1/12/02	Villanova, PA	L	59-60

* - Wildcat Tournament
- BIG EAST Championship

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	1009	67.3
Villanova	864	57.6

Current Win Streak: Villanova, 1 game
 McGraw vs. Villanova: 9-3
 ND Biggest Win: 31 (64-33 on 12/6/00)
 VU Biggest Win: 16 (70-54 on 1/28/98)
 ND Longest Win Streak: 6 (from 1998-00)
 VU Longest Win Streak: 1 (four times)

IRISH IN THE POLLS

Here's where Notre Dame has been ranked in both of the major national Top 25 polls during the 2001-02 season (arv - also receiving votes):

	AP	ESPN/USA Today
Preseason	15	14
Nov. 12	15	no poll
Nov. 19	15	15
Nov. 26	23	23
Dec. 3	arv	arv
Dec. 10	arv	arv
Dec. 17	arv	arv
Dec. 24	arv	arv
Dec. 31	arv	arv
Jan. 7	arv	arv
Jan. 14	arv	arv
Jan. 21	arv	arv
Jan. 28	arv	arv
Feb. 4	arv	arv
Feb. 11	23	arv
Feb. 18	22	arv
Feb. 25	21	25

Ericka Haney chipped in with 13 points for the Irish, who locked up the No. 2 seed in the upcoming BIG EAST Championship and secured their ninth consecutive win and 17th victory in the last 20 contests.

Nok Duany scored 21 points, including a Notre Dame opponent record 15-of-19 free throws, to lead Georgetown (12-14, 4-11), which has lost 12 of its last 16 games. Rebekkah Brunson added 13 points and nine rebounds. Mary Lisicky scored 11 points for the Hoyas who now have lost their last 14 games with the Irish.

Ratay hit a pair of free throws and a three-pointer to give Notre Dame, which trailed by a 38-37 count at halftime, a 47-42 lead with 16:40 remaining. Duany then scored five points as Georgetown responded with a 7-0 run, capped by her jumper at 13:47 that pulled the Hoyas within 50-49. But they never reclaimed the lead they held throughout the first half.

Lisicky scored nine of Georgetown's first 14 points, including consecutive three-pointers to give the Hoyas a 14-8 lead. Flecky had consecutive baskets to bring Notre Dame within 23-21 with 7:06 remaining in the first half.

Suzy Bendegue scored five straight points to give Georgetown a 28-21 lead with 6:08 left in the half. After Duany scored the Hoyas' final eight points of the half, Bustamante hit a three-pointer, her third of the opening period, to pull the Irish within one at the half.

THE NOTRE DAME-VILLANOVA SERIES

Notre Dame holds a 11-4 series advantage over Villanova, having won six of the last seven games between the two teams. The Irish also hold a decided advantage over the Wildcats at home, going 5-0 against Villanova at the Joyce Center.

The last time they met, Villanova guard Mimi Riley hit a turnaround jumper from the baseline with four-tenths of a second left, giving the Wildcats a 60-59 BIG EAST Conference victory over Notre Dame on Jan. 12 at The Pavilion in Villanova, Pa. The loss snapped a four-game winning streak for the Irish, who also dropped their first conference game of the season.

Junior guard Alicia Ratay scored a game-high 22 points and bagged a game-best seven rebounds for Notre Dame, which shot 46.9 percent from the field (22-49) and held a +14 rebounding edge (34-20) over the smaller Wildcats. Freshman forward Jacqueline Batteast added 14 points for the Irish before fouling out in the final two minutes.

Trish Juhline, making her first appearance in two months following surgery for a broken foot, led four Villanova players in double figures with 19 points. Riley and Katie Davis each tallied 12 points and Courtney Mix chipped in with 11 points to help the Wildcats end a six-game losing streak to the Irish and claim their fourth series win over Notre Dame. In fact, all four VU wins have come on the Villanova campus, with the last coming nearly four years ago on Jan. 28, 1998.

OTHER NOTRE DAME-VILLANOVA SERIES TIDBITS

- Villanova is one of nine conference foes who have never won at the Joyce Center, going winless in five previous trips to South Bend. The others are Boston College (0-5), Georgetown (0-6), Pittsburgh (0-5), Providence (0-5), St. John's (0-5), Syracuse (0-7), Virginia Tech (0-2) and West Virginia (0-5).
- Notre Dame has never lost back-to-back games to Villanova in their series history.
- The 31-point margin of victory in last year's 64-33 win by Notre Dame at the Joyce Center is the largest spread by either team in the 15-game series.
- The two head coaches are among the longest-tenured active skippers in the BIG EAST Conference. Villanova's Harry Perretta has coached 688 games in 24 seasons with the Wildcats, while Notre Dame mentor Muffet McGraw has coached 594 games in 20 collegiate campaigns overall, guiding the Irish in 465 games over the last 15 seasons.

NOTRE DAME-VILLANOVA CONNECTIONS

• Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw is a native of Pottsville, Pa., and previously spent five seasons (1983-87) as the head coach at Lehigh, compiling a 88-41 (.683) record with the Engineers. She also was a four-year starter at point guard for St. Joseph's, captaining the 1976-77 SJU squad to a 23-5 record and No. 3 national ranking. In four seasons with the Hawks, McGraw helped her team compile a 59-12 record, qualifying for the Eastern Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (EAIAW) tournament once and the AIAW national tournament once. Following graduation, McGraw coached two seasons at Philadelphia's Archbishop Carroll High School, guiding her squads to a 50-3 record, including a 28-0 mark in her second campaign, when she led ACHS to the Catholic League championship and was named the league's coach of the year. She later spent one season (1981-82) as an assistant coach at St. Joseph's under Jim Foster (who is now the skipper at Vanderbilt).



- Notre Dame senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** and Villanova sophomore forward **Courtney Mix** were teammates at Toledo (Ohio) Central Catholic High School.
- Villanova senior guard/forward **Mimi Riley** is a graduate of Archbishop Carroll High School, where Notre Dame mentor **Muffet McGraw** coached from 1977-79.
- Both head coaches are products of the vaunted "Cradle of Coaches" in Philadelphia. Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw**, a native of Pottsville, Pa., graduated from St. Joseph's, served as an assistant at SJU under current Vanderbilt skipper **Jim Foster**, and later became head coach at Lehigh before moving on to lead the Irish. Meanwhile, Villanova head coach **Harry Perretta** has spent his entire 24-year coaching career with the Wildcats after graduating from Lycoming (Pa.) College in 1978. In addition to McGraw, Foster and Perretta, some of the other coaching legends to come out of the Philadelphia area include Connecticut's **Geno Auriemma**, Illinois' **Theresa Grentz**, Penn State's **Rene Portland**, Rutgers' **C. Vivian Stringer** and former Old Dominion mentor **Marianne Stanley**.

IF NOTRE DAME WINS ...

- The Irish would record their 20th win of the season, marking the ninth consecutive year they have reached the 20-win plateau.
- Notre Dame would extend its winning streak to a season-long 10 games, its fourth 10-game winning streak in the last four years.
- The Irish would pick up their 18th win in the last 21 games since opening the season at 2-4.
- Notre Dame would register its 52nd consecutive home victory, extending the nation's longest active home court winning streak and the 10th-longest success string in NCAA history. In addition, it would complete the third consecutive undefeated regular-season home record for Notre Dame.
- The Irish would lift their record to 57-3 (.950) all-time against BIG EAST opponents at the Joyce Center and stretch their current conference winning streak at home to 32 games.
- Notre Dame would move to 59-7 (.894) vs. BIG EAST foes over the last three-plus seasons.
- The Irish would improve their overall record to 107-19 (.849) since the start of the '98-99 season.
- Notre Dame would jump to 68-3 (.958) all-time when it is ranked and playing at home.

IRISH INJURY REPORT (as of Feb. 25)

Out

Freshman F **Jacqueline Batteast** partially torn posterior cruciate ligament in right knee vs. SJU (expected to return Sunday for BIG EAST Championship)

Probable

Sophomore G **Jeneka Joyce** strained left Achilles' tendon (DNP last two games)

HANEY DOES IT HER WAY

Prior to Tuesday's game with Villanova, Notre Dame will recognize the accomplishments of its lone senior, guard/forward **Ericka Haney**. The Toledo native has averaged 7.8 points and 4.6 rebounds per game during her career, and she ranks eighth in school history with 125 games played. She also has compiled 969 career points, needing just 31 markers to become the 20th member of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club. However, she may be best remembered for her performance in last year's NCAA Final Four, when she averaged 14 points and 7.5 rebounds per game in victories over Connecticut and Purdue as the Irish claimed their first national championship.

Haney also has served as the lone captain on this year's squad, making her only the fourth player in school history to earn that responsibility on her own. During her career, the Irish have posted a sparkling 106-19 (.848) record, including a 55-1 (.982) ledger at the Joyce Center, while reaching the NCAA Tournament three times, the Sweet Sixteen twice and winning the 2001 NCAA title.

In addition to Haney, Notre Dame also will take time to recognize three other seniors who have been vital contributors to the success of the program — managers **Kristen King** and **Dan Soldato**, and volunteer **Ryan Becker**.

SPORTING 20/20 VISION

Notre Dame can reach an important landmark with a victory Tuesday night over Villanova. It would be the 20th win of the season for the Irish, marking the ninth consecutive year in which Notre Dame has posted 20-or-more wins. It also would be the 13th 20-win season for the Irish in the 15-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw**.

IRISH MEDIA POLICIES

MUFFET MCGRAW INTERVIEWS

The best time for interviews with Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is Monday morning or by special appointment. Please contact the Notre Dame SID office at 574-631-7516 to make specific arrangements.

THE MUFFET MCGRAW SHOW

Muffet McGraw's half-hour, weekly television show is produced by LeSea Broadcasting and hosted by **Bob Nagle**. The show, now in its fifth season, is carried by WHME-TV (Channel 46) in South Bend and will air at 6:30 p.m. EST on Saturdays through the end of the season.

MORE MEDIA NOTES

- Irish practice sessions are generally open to the media, although the coaching staff may choose to close certain practices. Contact **Chris Masters** in the Notre Dame SID office for exact practice times and availability.
- All player interviews must be coordinated through the Notre Dame SID office. All player and coach interviews must be scheduled in advance — no interviews will be conducted on game days.
- Following games, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players will speak with the media in the football auditorium at the Joyce Center. The visiting coach and selected players may appear in the auditorium after the Notre Dame press conference. Media members should submit interview requests to Notre Dame SID staffers no later than four minutes before the end of the game. The Irish locker room is closed after every game, home and away.

RELEASES AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL

Media members interested in receiving Notre Dame women's basketball game notes and press releases via email should send requests to Assistant Sports Information Director **Chris Masters** at masters.5@nd.edu.

WEB SITE (www.und.com)

Notre Dame's official athletic department web site can be found at www.und.com, with the extensive offerings including live audio and real-time statistics for all Notre Dame home women's basketball games.



BIG EAST STANDINGS
(as of Feb. 25)

Pl.	Team	BIG EAST	Overall
1.	Connecticut*	15-0	29-0
2.	NOTRE DAME**	13-2	19-7
3.	Boston College**	12-3	21-5
4.	Villanova**	11-4	17-9
5.	Miami	9-6	16-10
6.	Virginia Tech	8-7	17-9
	Syracuse	8-7	15-11
8.	West Virginia	6-9	14-12
	Providence	6-9	12-14
10.	Seton Hall	5-10	13-13
	Rutgers	5-10	8-18
12.	Georgetown	4-11	12-14
13.	Pittsburgh	3-12	8-18
14.	St. John's	0-15	3-23

* has clinched BIG EAST regular season title
** has clinched first-round bye in BIG EAST Championship

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.	1/26/02	#16 Virginia Tech	W, 64-57	8,878
6.	1/29/02	Syracuse	W, 71-46	8,571
7.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
8.	1/12/92	#2 Tennessee	L, 82-85	8,134
9.	11/18/01	Valparaiso	W, 42-35	7,960
10.	1/5/02	Providence	W, 72-66	7,804
11.	2/19/02	West Virginia	W, 72-63	7,709
12.	2/13/02	St. John's	W, 66-31	7,677
13.	12/9/01	USC	W, 62-49	7,595
14.	2/12/00	St. John's	W, 94-51	7,530
15.	12/9/00	#6 Purdue	W, 72-61	7,330
16.	11/26/01	Army	W, 89-57	7,323
17.	12/12/01	Western Michigan	W, 71-48	7,310
18.	12/31/01	DePaul	W, 79-50	7,154
19.	12/22/01	Marquette	W, 60-33	7,132
20.	2/7/01	Pittsburgh	W, 72-58	7,025

* denotes capacity crowd // rankings are from AP poll
Bold denotes game played in 2001-02

PICKING UP THE SLACK

With freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** sidelined the last three games with a knee injury, several other players have stepped in to fill the void left by Notre Dame's second-leading scorer (14.8 ppg.) and top rebounder (8.5 rpg.). Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** has erupted, averaging 26.7 points and 7.0 rebounds per game while shooting 55.8 percent from the field and 47.6 percent from the three-point line. Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** has been much improved as well, logging 12.7 ppg. and cracking double figures in all three contests. Meanwhile, freshman forward **Katy Flecky** has taken over Batteast's spot in the starting lineup and has performed well, averaging 8.7 ppg. and 5.7 rpg. while shooting a team-best 56.3 percent during that time.

As a team, Notre Dame is shooting 46.1 percent from the field since Batteast's injury. The Irish also have dominated the boards in Batteast's absence, carding a +14.4 rebounding margin in the last three games.

POLL POSITION

After a 10-week absence earlier this season, Notre Dame returned to the *Associated Press* Top 25 poll on Feb. 11, appearing at No. 23 and moving up this week to No. 21. The Irish were ranked in the first four AP polls this season, peaking at No. 15 before falling out on Dec. 3 after a 2-4 start, thereby breaking a 56-week run in the media rankings. However, Notre Dame has rebounded in fine fashion, winning 17 of its last 20 games, including a pair of wins over Top 25 foes Virginia Tech and Boston College, to reappear in the AP poll.

The Irish also have reappeared in the *ESPN/USA Today* coaches' poll this week after a 12-week hiatus, checking in at No. 25. Notre Dame was ranked in the first three coaches' polls this season, topping out at 14th in the preseason balloting before falling out on Dec. 3, thus ending a 60-week run in the poll.

STREAK PERFORMERS

Notre Dame has vaulted back into the national rankings thanks in large part to its current nine-game winning streak. During this spree, the Irish have knocked off two nationally-ranked foes (No. 16/17 Virginia Tech on Jan. 26, and No. 16/18 Boston College on Feb. 10) and have outscored their opponents by 14.9 points per game. Notre Dame also has cranked up the defensive intensity in the last nine games, allowing just 52.8 points per outing while holding a commanding +12.5 rebounding margin. In fact, during their current winning streak, the Irish have held seven opponents to 60 points or less, including a season-low 31 points allowed on Feb. 13 vs. St. John's.

VETERANS' DAY

Another key factor in Notre Dame's nine-game winning streak has been the increased contribution from its veterans. After watching the Irish freshman class set the pace during the first two months of the season, junior guard **Alicia Ratay** and senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** have stepped forward and provide expert leadership for Notre Dame's younger players as the drive to the NCAA Tournament heats up. Ratay has averaged 18.1 points and 6.2 rebounds per game during the winning streak, including a season-high 31 points on Feb. 19 against West Virginia.

Meanwhile, Haney has erupted of late, carding 9.6 points and 4.6 rebounds per game while shooting 45.3 percent (34-75) from the floor. The lone captain on this year's squad has cracked double figures six times in the streak, including each of the last five contests. She scored a season-high 15 points last Tuesday against West Virginia.

RATAY NAMED CO-BIG EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** has been named BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week for the second time in as many weeks, the league office announced Monday.

Ratay averaged 27.5 points, 6.5 rebounds and 3.0 steals per game last week while helping the Irish to a pair of conference victories and the No. 2 seed in the upcoming BIG EAST Championship. Ratay also shot 50 percent from both the floor (14-28) and the three-point line (8-16) and connected at a 90.5 percent clip (19-21) from the free throw line last week. Against West Virginia, she pumped in a season-high 31 points, including 20 in the second half as Notre Dame extended the nation's longest home winning streak to 51 games. She also knocked down a career-best 11 free throws and four three-point field goals in the triumph.

Ratay then netted a game-high 24 points and seven rebounds in Saturday's win at Georgetown. Once again, she logged 20 second-half points, canning four more treys against the Hoyas to help move



her into 10th place on the Irish career scoring list with 1,301 points. This season, Ratay ranks third in the BIG EAST in scoring (14.9 ppg.) and first in free throw percentage (.874).

FLECKY NAMED BIG EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Notre Dame made it a clean sweep of the weekly BIG EAST awards when freshman forward **Katy Flecky** was selected as the conference Rookie of the Week on Monday.

Flecky notched 11.0 points and 6.5 rebounds per game last week while making just the third and fourth starts of her collegiate career. The Lone Tree, Colo., native tallied eight points and six rebounds against West Virginia, before coming back with a career-high 14 points and seven rebounds in a career-best 28 minutes of action at Georgetown. For the season, she is averaging 4.8 points and 3.3 rebounds per game, but she has nearly doubled her scoring average since moving into the starting lineup three games ago, carding 8.7 ppg. in that time. Flecky is the second Irish freshman to be named BIG EAST Rookie of the Week this season — forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is a six-time winner of the award.

THE BEASTS OF THE BIG EAST

Notre Dame is 102-17 (.857) in regular-season competition against the rest of BIG EAST Conference, owning the best conference winning percentage of any current member of the BIG EAST since joining the circuit for the 1995-96 campaign. The Irish also have won 58 of their last 65 regular-season conference games, and claimed a share of their first-ever BIG EAST regular-season championship in 2001. When including postseason competition (BIG EAST and NCAA tournaments), Notre Dame is 114-23 (.832) against league opponents — when factoring in these 18 postseason tilts, the Irish are 56-3 (.949) at home, 46-17 (.730) on the road and 12-6 (.667) at neutral sites all-time against BIG EAST foes.

ROOKIE RAMPAGE

The start of BIG EAST Conference play seemed to signal a call to arms for the Notre Dame freshman class. In 15 league games, the Irish rookies all have made significant contributions, helping their team to an 13-2 mark and the No. 2 seed in the upcoming conference tournament. Here's a closer look at how the Notre Dame freshmen have made an impact in BIG EAST action (percentage of overall team output listed in parentheses, wins noted with asterisks):

Opponent	Points	Rebounds	Freshman Highlights
at Miami*	29 (42%)	22 (52.4%)	Batteast - 12 pts., 13 rebs.; Bustamante - 8 pts.
Providence*	55 (76.4%)	14 (50%)	Batteast (26) & Borton (20) with career-high points
Seton Hall*	46 (58.2%)	24 (52.2%)	All six rookies score; Borton - 15 pts. (7-7 FG)
at Villanova	19 (32.2%)	11 (32.4%)	Batteast - 14 pts.
at Providence*	48 (69.6%)	22 (59.5%)	Borton - 11 pts., 10 rebs.; Bustamante - 12 pts.
at Connecticut	33 (62.3%)	17 (51.5%)	Wicks - career-high 16 pts.
Virginia Tech*	34 (53.1%)	23 (62.2%)	Batteast - career-high 26 pts.; Wicks - 8 rebs.
Syracuse*	51 (71.8%)	27 (56.3%)	Bustamante - career-high 21 pts.; Batteast - 15 rebs.
at Seton Hall*	44 (67.7%)	26 (56.5%)	Batteast - 21 pts., 12 rebs.; Flecky - career-high 9 pts.
at Pittsburgh*	35 (51.5%)	29 (58%)	Batteast (16p, 12r)/Borton (10p, 10r) - double-doubles
Boston College*	21 (35%)	14 (35.9%)	Batteast - fourth straight double-double (18p, 10r)
St. John's*	22 (33%)	23 (45.1%)	Flecky - first career double-double (12p, 10r)
Rutgers*	14 (24.6%)	16 (42.1%)	Borton - 7 rebs.; lowest FR scoring output of year
West Virginia*	14 (19.4%)	15 (31.9%)	Flecky - 8 pts., 6 rebs.; Borton - 6 rebs.
Georgetown*	34 (39.5%)	16 (34.8%)	Flecky - career-high 14 pts.; Bustamante - 14 pts.
TOTALS	499 (49.4%)	299 (48.1%)	
AVERAGES	33.3 ppg.	19.9 rpg.	

Some other tidbits about the Notre Dame freshman class:

- They have outscored three BIG EAST opponents (Seton Hall, Providence and Syracuse) all by themselves. The Irish greenhorns also have nearly outrebounded a conference foe four times, coming within two caroms of Syracuse's total, three boards at Seton Hall (second game) and Pittsburgh, and four boards of SHU (first game).
- Center **Teresa Borton** tied a BIG EAST rookie record for field goal percentage in a game by going 7-for-7 from the floor in the first game against Seton Hall.
- The Irish freshmen sextet shot 60.7 percent (17-28) from the field in the first win over Seton Hall.
- Borton, forward **Jacqueline Batteast** and guard **Kelsey Wicks** proved to be a deadly combination in

BIG EAST PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Nov. 19 Swin Cash, Connecticut
Trish Juhline, Villanova
- Nov. 26 Julie McBride, Syracuse
Sarah Hicks, Virginia Tech
- Dec. 3 Diana Taurasi, Connecticut
Kate Bulger, West Virginia
- Dec. 10 Chanivia Broussard, Miami
- Dec. 17 Meghan Saake, Miami
Ieva Kublina, Virginia Tech
- Dec. 24 Mandy Wittenmyer, Pittsburgh
- Dec. 31 Swin Cash, Connecticut
Kate Bulger, West Virginia
- Jan. 7 Diana Taurasi, Connecticut
Ieva Kublina, Virginia Tech
- Jan. 14 Swin Cash, Connecticut
Jaime James, Syracuse
- Jan. 21 Shaquana Wilkins, Miami
- Jan. 28 Sue Bird, Connecticut
Shannon Perry, Syracuse
- Feb. 4 Asjha Jones, Connecticut
- Feb. 11 Swin Cash, Connecticut
Laine Selwyn, Pittsburgh
- Feb. 18 Alicia Ratay, Notre Dame**
Diana Taurasi, Connecticut
- Feb. 25 Alicia Ratay, Notre Dame**

BIG EAST ROOKIES OF THE WEEK

- Nov. 19 Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
- Nov. 26 Sherell Sowho, West Virginia
- Dec. 3 Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
- Dec. 10 .. Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
- Dec. 17 .. Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
Mary Lisicky, Georgetown
- Dec. 24 Clare Droesch, Boston College
- Dec. 31 Sherell Sowho, West Virginia
- Jan. 7 Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
- Jan. 14 Erin Gibson, Virginia Tech
- Jan. 21 Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
- Jan. 28 ... Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
- Feb. 4 Clare Droesch, Boston College
- Feb. 11 ... Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame**
Jessica Simmonds, Providence
- Feb. 18 Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
- Feb. 25 Katy Flecky, Notre Dame**



'01-02 IRISH HONORS

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

Preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year
 Freshman All-America (WBB News Service)
 Top 21 New Players of Impact (Women's College Hoops.com)
 BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Dec. 3, 10 & 17; Jan. 7 & 28; Feb. 11)

Katy Flecky (Fr., Lone Tree, Colo.)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Feb. 25)

Ericka Haney (Sr., Toledo, Ohio)

Preseason All-BIG EAST Second Team

Alicia Ratay (Jr., Lake Zurich, Ill.)

Naismith Award Watch List
 Preseason All-BIG EAST First Team
 BIG EAST Player of the Week (Feb. 18 & 25)

NOTRE DAME VS. 2001-02 OPPONENTS

NON-CONFERENCE

Army	1-0
Arizona	2-1
Colorado State	0-1
DePaul	9-13
Marquette	23-4
Michigan	6-6
Purdue	4-10
Rice	1-1
USC	3-1
Valparaiso	15-0
Western Michigan	7-0
Total	71-37 (.657)

BIG EAST CONFERENCE

Boston College	7-3
Connecticut	2-13
Georgetown	15-1
Miami	12-2
Pittsburgh	11-0
Providence	10-0
Rutgers	8-8
St. John's	11-0
Seton Hall	11-2
Syracuse	13-1
Villanova	11-4
Virginia Tech	4-0
West Virginia	9-0
Total	124-34 (.785)
TOTAL VS. '01-02 OPPONENTS	195-71 (.733)

the first meeting with Providence, scoring 44 of Notre Dame's first 46 points (including 41 in a row at one stretch), and single-handedly sparking a 22-2 run over a 7:36 span which gave the Irish a 42-23 lead late in the first half.

- Batteast got the Irish off and running against No. 16/17 Virginia Tech, scoring 13 of the first 15 Notre Dame points, and later teaming with junior guard **Alicia Ratay** to score 32 of 34 second-half points for the Irish.
- Notre Dame started three freshmen (Wicks, **Allison Bustamante** and **Katy Flecky**) for the first time in 20 years in the second Seton Hall game. Flecky responded by scoring the first seven Irish points and nine of the first 13 Notre Dame markers. As a unit, the Irish rookies accounted for 21 of their team's 25 points in the first half.

PINE TIME PLAYERS

One of the positives for Notre Dame this season has been its depth and the exceptional production it has received from its reserve unit this season. The Irish bench has scored 573 points (22 ppg.) this year, accounting for 33.1 percent of Notre Dame's offensive output this season. In fact, the Irish have won the "Battle of the Benches" 17 times this season, going 14-3 when their reserves outscore the opposition.

Notre Dame's bench depth has been especially apparent since the start of BIG EAST Conference action last month. The Irish second team has chalked up 374 points (24.9 ppg.) — compared to 225 points (15 ppg.) for its opponents — and is logging 37 percent of Notre Dame's offensive production during league play. The Irish are 10-1 in conference games when their bench holds the scoring advantage, including a season-high 47 points in wins over Seton Hall (Jan. 9) and at Providence (Jan. 19).

CRASHING THE BOARDS

Despite losing its top two rebounders from last year (**Ruth Riley** and **Kelley Siemon**), Notre Dame doesn't appear to have broken stride in the rebounding department this season. The Irish have averaged 42.8 rebounds per game through 26 games in 2001-02, owning a +8.1 edge on the glass, which ranks second in the BIG EAST Conference and among the top 15 in the nation this week.

Leading the charge on the boards for Notre Dame have been a pair of freshmen — forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is setting the pace at 8.5 rebounds per game (ranking second in the BIG EAST), while center **Teresa Borton** is third on the team with 5.1 caroms per contest. Additionally, the Irish have been potent on the offensive glass, collecting 14.4 offensive rebounds per game. Batteast and Borton also are setting the pace in that category — Batteast has 63 offensive boards (2.74 orgp.), ranking seventh in the BIG EAST, while Borton has corralled 69 offensive caroms in three more games (2.65) — more than half of her overall rebounding total — to place her eighth in the conference.

A TALE OF TWO SEASONS

Location, location, location — that's the mantra many real estate agents use, but it's also a phrase which could easily be applied to Notre Dame this season. Here's a look at the stark contrast which has developed between Irish fortunes at home and away from the cozy confines of the Joyce Center:

	Joyce Center	Road/Neutral Sites
Record	13-0	6-7
Points per game	68.2	64.8
Opponent points per game	48.0	64.9
Scoring margin	+20.2	(-0.1)
Field goal percentage	.439	.422
Opponent field goal percentage	.299	.383
Rebounds per game	45.8	39.8
Opponent rebounds per game	34.2	35.2
Rebound margin	+11.6	+4.6

IT'S BATTEAST, TO SAY THE LEAST

Although her college career is only 23 games old, freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** already is showing much of the potential which led the BIG EAST Conference coaches to vote her as the league's preseason Rookie of the Year. The South Bend, Ind., resident is a six-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week selection and ranks in the top 10 in the conference in scoring (6th, 14.8 ppg.), rebounding (2nd, 8.5 rpg.), blocked shots (3rd, 1.52 bpg.) and double-doubles (tie-1st, 11). She also has garnered game-



high rebounding honors 11 times and top scoring laurels 10 times. Batteast collected her 11th double-double of the season (and fourth in as many games) on Feb. 10 with game highs of 18 points and 10 rebounds in Notre Dame's 60-44 win over No. 16/18 Boston College.

Batteast has missed the last three games while she recovers from a partially torn posterior cruciate ligament in her right knee. She suffered the injury on Feb. 13 against St. John's.

RATAY GETS DIVERSIFIED

With defenses keying to stop her this season, junior guard **Alicia Ratay** has modified her game to feature more penetration and fewer three-point shots. The nation's top perimeter specialist from a year ago still makes the trey a powerful part of her arsenal, but this season, she has shown an ability to adapt to what a defense gives her.

Ratay ranks third in the BIG EAST Conference in scoring at 14.9 points per game. She also leads the conference in free throw percentage (.874), and she stands second on the squad with 5.6 rebounds per game. In addition, it seems BIG EAST play has agreed with the Lake Zurich, Ill., native, who is second in the loop in scoring (16.5 ppg.) and free throw percentage (.871), and 17th in rebounding (5.9 rpg.).

Never has Ratay's new style been on better display than in the last three games. She has averaged 26.7 ppg. and is shooting a blistering 55.8 percent (24-43) from the field, ringing up 25 points at Rutgers, a season-high 31 points against West Virginia and 24 points at Georgetown. Additionally, the bulk of her heroics have come in the second half — she scored 16 in the final period at Rutgers, followed by 20 second-half markers against West Virginia and 20 more in the second half at Georgetown. In fact, in her last three games, she is averaging 18.7 points in the second half alone.

On Jan. 2 at Miami, Ratay also showed that she is still one of the nation's premier sharpshooters and has earned the nickname "Dead Eye Ratay." She canned seven of nine three-point field goal attempts (a superb .778 percentage) and finished with 23 points to lead the Irish to a victory in their BIG EAST Conference opener. The seven treys tied Ratay's career high — she went seven for seven from beyond the arc on Feb. 19, 2000 at Rutgers, a memorable game in which she nailed two threes in the final 25 seconds of regulation to force overtime, where Notre Dame prevailed, 78-74.

Ratay is second on the Irish roster with a .430 three-point percentage (49-114), a ratio that puts her within striking distance of the NCAA record for three-point efficiency by a junior — **Cara Frey** of Harvard currently holds that mark with a .515 percentage in 1993. This comes on the heels of Ratay's effort last season, when she nailed 54.7 percent of her three-point tries, breaking the NCAA record for long-range efficiency by a sophomore.

In her career, Ratay is making nearly half of her long-distance attempts, hitting at a 49 percent clip (203-414) in her 94-game college career — that's good enough to set a new NCAA record for career three-point percentage, passing the current mark of .467 held by **Erin Maher** of Harvard. She already ranks third on Notre Dame's career three-point field goals made lists and fourth on the school's three-point attempts chart, and her career percentage is more than 65 points higher than her nearest challenger (**Kari Hutchinson**, .424, 1994-98).

BARKSDALE'S BLOCK PARTY

Junior center **Amanda Barksdale** has forced opponents to deal with rejection quite often this season. Although she missed Notre Dame's first four games with a stress reaction in her leg, she still leads the BIG EAST Conference and ranks fourth nationally with 3.27 blocks per game. In addition, her 72 blocks this season rank fifth in school history, and if it stands up, her 3.27 bpg. average would be a school record, passing **Ruth Riley**'s mark of 3.25 in the 1998-99 season.

The Friendswood, Texas, native has swatted at least four shots in 10 games this season, including a school-record 11 blocks on Feb. 10 against No. 16/18 Boston College. Barksdale also rejected eight shots against Marquette and seven against USC, giving her the top three single-game performances in the BIG EAST this year. In addition, her BC outing ties for the third-best in the nation, and the Marquette showing is tied for ninth in the country in 2001-02.

One of only five players in school history to reach the century mark in career rejections, Barksdale is averaging 1.93 blocks per game (164 total) in her 85-game career, which is second in Irish history behind only Riley, who averaged 2.82 bpg. in her storied career from 1997-2001.

A SEVERE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE IRISH

Sophomore guard **Le'Tania Severe** has quickly adapted to her new role as a primary point guard for the Irish, filling the large shoes of All-American **Niele Ivey**. Through 26 games this season, Severe is tied for third on the team with 6.6 points per game and leads the squad with 5.1 assists per game,

RATAY JOINS IRISH 1,000-POINT CLUB

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** became the newest member of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club, joining that elite sorority with 12 points on Dec. 6 at Purdue. In addition to being the 19th Irish player to hit that milestone, Ratay is the eighth player to do so in less than three seasons, and the 15th student-athlete to turn the trick while spending part of her career under current head coach **Muffet McGraw**.

In addition, senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** is closing in the millennium scoring mark, needing just 31 points to become the 20th 1,000-point scorer in school history. Here's a look at the members of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club and where Ratay and Haney stand on that list:

<i>Player, Years</i>	<i>Points</i>
1. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	2,322
2. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	2,126
3. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	2,072
4. Karen Robinson (1987-91)	1,590
5. Trena Keys (1982-86)	1,589
6. Sandy Botham (1984-88)	1,460
7. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	1,439
8. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	1,430
9. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	1,373
10. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	1,301
11. Margaret Nowlin (1988-92)	1,298
12. Mary Beth Schueth (1981-85)	1,233
13. Letitia Bowen (1991-95)	1,205
14. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	1,202
15. Krissi Davis (1987-91)	1,194
16. Danielle Green (1995-2000)	1,106
17. Carrie Bates (1981-85)	1,060
18. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	1,034
19. Kelley Siemon (1997-2001)	1,006
— Ericka Haney (1998-present)	969



THIRD BIG EAST TELECONFERENCE SLATED FOR FEB. 28

The BIG EAST Conference women's basketball coaches will hold three media teleconferences during the 2001-02 season, the third of which is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 28, just prior to the start of the BIG EAST Championship. Each of the 14 league head coaches will be available for eight minutes in a pre-arranged format.

Media representatives wishing to participate in the teleconference should contact Notre Dame assistant sports information director **Chris Masters** for the access phone number.

Here is a complete listing of the times when each BIG EAST coach will be available (all times EST and subject to change):

- 11:00 a.m. - Ferne Labati, Miami
- 11:08 a.m. - Pechone Stepps, St. John's
- 11:16 a.m. - Cathy Inglese, Boston College
- 11:24 a.m. - Mike Carey, West Virginia
- 11:32 a.m. - Bonnie Henrickson, Virginia Tech
- 11:40 a.m. - Jim Jabir, Providence
- 11:48 a.m. - Patrick Knapp, Georgetown
- 11:56 a.m. - Phyllis Mangina, Seton Hall
- 12:04 p.m. - Muffet McGraw, Notre Dame**
- 12:12 p.m. - Traci Waites, Pittsburgh
- 12:20 p.m. - C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 12:28 p.m. - Harry Perretta, Villanova
- 12:36 p.m. - Marianna Freeman, Syracuse
- 12:44 p.m. - Geno Auriemma, Connecticut

ranking seventh in the BIG EAST Conference in the latter category. She also stands ninth in the league in steals (1.96 spg.) and 13th in assist/turnover ratio (1.27). Entering the 2001-02 campaign, her career highs were seven points and two assists and she had played in just 22 games due to injury.

Severe has been adept at distributing the ball to her teammates, earning game-high assist honors in 18 games and dealing at least five assists 15 times, including a career-high nine handouts (with just one turnover) on Jan. 29 against Syracuse. She also has proven to be a scoring threat when necessary, reaching double figures seven times this season, including a career-high 17 points against USC.

A LITTLE COMPARISON SHOPPING

Prior to the 2001-02 season, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** compared her team to the 1997-98 Irish squad, which, like this year's club, was coming off a trip to the NCAA Final Four. Through 26 games this season, that comparison seems to be holding true in several ways. Here's a look at some of the similarities between this year's club and the '97-98 unit:

	<u>1997-98</u>	<u>2001-02</u>
Previous season result (record)	NCAA Final Four (31-7)	NCAA Champion (34-2)
Starters/monogram winners lost	4/5	3/6
Freshmen on roster	4	6
Seniors on roster	2	1
Freshmen starters	2	2
26-game record (Top 25 opponents)	18-8 (4)	19-7 (6)
Final season result (record)	NCAA Sweet Sixteen (22-10)	?

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

With six freshmen making up half of this year's roster, Notre Dame is certainly going through some growing pains. However, the Irish rookies are getting a great deal of college experience this season, as evidenced by their production through 26 games of the 2001-02 campaign. Notre Dame's freshmen have accounted for 47.8 percent of the points (827 of 1730), 47.7 percent of the rebounds (531 of 1113) and 41.6 percent of the minutes (2163 of 5200) recorded by the Irish this season. Additionally, Notre Dame started at least two freshmen in eight games this year, and five of the six Irish rookies are averaging at least 10 minutes per contest.

PROTECTING THE PILL

With six freshmen on the 2001-02 roster, Notre Dame could be excused if its turnover numbers look a bit high. However, on Jan. 26 against No. 16/17 Virginia Tech, the Irish put together one of the finest exhibitions of ball control in the 25-year history of the program, setting a school record by committing just seven turnovers in the 64-57 victory. That was two giveaways fewer than the previous standard, which had been set twice before (most recently on Feb. 3, 2001 at Boston College).

TINKERING WITH THE LINEUP

Notre Dame fielded an unorthodox starting lineup for its Feb. 2 win at Seton Hall after curfew violations resulted in four of the five everyday starters losing their game-opening assignments. Instead, the Irish began the contest with three freshmen — guards **Allison Bustamante** and **Kelsey Wicks**, and forward **Katy Flecky** — for the first time in more than two decades. Back on Jan. 2, 1982, Notre Dame started rookies **Ruth Kaiser**, **Mary Beth Schueth** and **Carrie Bates** for the third time that season, and the freshman trio helped spark the Irish to a 60-53 win over Missouri in Kansas City.

In addition, Wicks and Flecky, along with junior guard **Karen Swanson**, cracked the starting lineup for the first time in their careers. Coupled with Bustamante, who was making her second career start in the Seton Hall game, four of the five Notre Dame starters had exactly one collegiate start between them.

BACK FROM THE BRINK

Notre Dame put together its best comeback of the season Feb. 2 at Seton Hall, erasing a pair of 10-point first-half deficits (20-10 and 21-11) to defeat the Pirates, 65-60. It was the biggest rally for the Irish since they climbed out of a 12-point hole (19-7) in the first half to claim a 68-66 win over Purdue in the 2001 NCAA championship game at the Saavis Center in St. Louis.



IRISH LOG HISTORICAL DEFENSIVE EFFORT

Notre Dame's 66-31 victory over St. John's on Feb. 13 marked a record defensive performance for Notre Dame. It was the fewest points allowed by the Irish since Jan. 21, 1982, in an 84-27 win at Valparaiso. For some historical context, the captain of that 1981-82 Notre Dame squad was none other than current Irish associate athletics director **Missy Conboy**. The BIG EAST Conference record for fewest points in a game is 27, set by Villanova against Connecticut on Dec. 2, 1997.

THE BEST OFFENSE IS A GOOD DEFENSE ...

Over the last five-plus seasons, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 101-1 (.990) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Curiously, the only time that notion didn't come to pass was last season, when Rutgers handed Notre Dame a 54-53 loss, one of only two setbacks the Irish suffered en route to the 2001 national championship.

The Irish already have added to this total 14 times during the 2001-02 season — Valparaiso (35 points), Army (57), USC (49), Western Michigan (48), Marquette (33), DePaul (50), Seton Hall (45), Providence (41), Virginia Tech (57), Syracuse (46), Pittsburgh (56), Boston College (44), St. John's (31) and Rutgers (52).

... 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 last five-plus seasons (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 81-3 (.964) 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 has contributed two wins to that growing record this year, ringing up a season-high 89 points on Nov. 26 vs. Army and tacking up 86 points Feb. 23 at Georgetown.

FRESH FACES IN THE IRISH LINEUP

Notre Dame had a decidedly youthful look in its starting lineup when it opened the season Nov. 18 against Valparaiso, as freshmen **Jacqueline Batteast** and **Teresa Borton** got the nod at forward and center, respectively. In doing so, the pair were first rookie tandem in 20 years to start a season opener for the Irish — **Ruth Kaiser** and **Mary Beth Schueth** cracked the starting five in a 78-44 win over St. Joseph's (Ind.) on Dec. 2, 1981. Borton paced the Irish with 14 points and nine rebounds against Valparaiso, while Batteast scored two points and grabbed five boards against the Crusaders.

A STREAK FOR THE HISTORY BOOKS

With its victory over St. John's on Feb. 13 at the Joyce Center, Notre Dame picked up its 50th consecutive home win, passing Stanford (1994-97), Louisiana Tech (1979-82) and Rutgers (1977-82) for the 10th-longest home winning streak in NCAA history. Now at 51 games following last Tuesday's win over West Virginia, it is the third-longest success string by a current BIG EAST Conference member — in addition to its 49-game run, Rutgers had a 53-game spree from 1984-89, while Connecticut holds the conference record with a 54-game home winning streak from 1995-99.

NOTRE DAME REGISTERS 500TH ALL-TIME VICTORY

Notre Dame became the 50th team in NCAA history, and the fourth BIG EAST Conference school to post 500 career wins when it claimed a 68-56 triumph at Pittsburgh on Feb. 5. The Irish currently have an all-time record of 505-223 (.694) in their 25th season of intercollegiate competition. The other BIG EAST schools with 500 victories to their credit are Rutgers (577), Connecticut (546) and Villanova (517) — all win totals are as of Feb. 25.

IRISH CHART 100TH REGULAR-SEASON BIG EAST WIN

Notre Dame reached another milestone Feb. 16 at Rutgers, recording its 100th regular-season BIG EAST Conference victory. The Irish needed only 117 games to attain that landmark victory, turning the trick faster than any school in conference history. In its seven-year affiliation with the BIG EAST, Notre Dame has averaged better than 14 wins per season, has never posted less than 12 wins, or finished lower than third place in the final conference standings.

BIG EAST COACHES' PRESEASON POLL

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| 1. | Connecticut (11) | 167 |
| 2. | NOTRE DAME (2) | 155 |
| 3. | Rutgers | 143 |
| 4. | Boston College | 125 |
| 5. | Villanova (1) | 112 |
| 6. | Virginia Tech | 111 |
| 7. | Georgetown | 102 |
| 8. | Miami | 86 |
| 9. | Seton Hall | 75 |
| 10. | Syracuse | 59 |
| 11. | Providence | 56 |
| 12. | Pittsburgh | 41 |
| 13. | St. John's | 23 |
| 14. | West Virginia | 19 |

2001-02 Preseason Player of the Year

Sue Bird, Sr., G, 5-9, Connecticut

2001-02 Preseason Rookie of the Year

Jacqueline Batteast, Fr., F, 6-1, Notre Dame

Preseason All-BIG EAST First Team

*Sue Bird, Connecticut, G, Sr.
Rebekkah Brunson, Georgetown, F, So.
Swin Cash, Connecticut, F, Sr.
Becky Gottstein, Boston College, F, Sr.
Trish Juhline, Villanova, G, Jr.

Alicia Ratay, Notre Dame, G, Jr.

** - unanimous selection*

Preseason All-BIG EAST Second Team

Chanivia Broussard, Miami, F, So.
Davalyn Cunningham, Rutgers, F, Sr.
Ericka Haney, Notre Dame, G/F, Sr.
Asjha Jones, Connecticut, F, Sr.
Diana Taurasi, Connecticut, G, So.



MCGRAW DEVELOPING EXTENSIVE COACHING “FAMILY TREE”

Much has been made of the coaching roots which develop throughout the women’s basketball world. Several long-time head coaches such as Virginia’s **Debbie Ryan**, Tennessee’s **Pat Summitt** and Vanderbilt’s **Jim Foster** have helped produce a new generation of talented young coaches. In fact, back when he was the skipper at St. Joseph’s (Pa.) in 1982, Foster was the mentor for an eager assistant coach named **Muffet McGraw**.

Now 20 years later, McGraw has created her own “family tree” of bright and energetic coaching minds through her tenures at Lehigh (1982-87) and Notre Dame (1987-present). No less than 16 of her former players and/or assistants currently hold coaching positions either at the high school or college level.

Here’s a look at the roster of former McGraw players/assistants and where they now are coaching:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current position</u>
Sandy Botham*^	Head coach, Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Heidi Bunek*	Head coach, Arrowhead HS (1)
Liz Feeley+^	Head coach, Smith College
Bill Fennelly^	Head coach, Iowa State
David Glass^	Head coach, Virginia Commonwealth
Sandy Hume+	Head coach, New Jersey HS system
Kari Hutchinson*	Asst. coach, Baltimore HS system
Kristin Knapp*	Assistant coach, Ball State
Sara Liebscher*	Assoc. coach, Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Colleen Matsuhara^	Assistant coach, USC
Sheila McMillen*	Assistant coach, Northwestern
Beth Morgan*	Asst. coach, Virginia Commonwealth
Mollie Peirick*	Asst. coach, St. Cecilia Academy (2)
John Sutherland^	Assistant coach, Marshall
Kathleen Weber^	Head coach, UNC-Asheville
Coquese Washington*	Assistant coach, Notre Dame

* - former Notre Dame player
 ^ - former Notre Dame assistant
 + - former Lehigh player
 (1) - located in Milwaukee, Wis.
 (2) - located in Nashville, Tenn.

NOTRE DAME AMONG NATIONAL ATTENDANCE LEADERS

Notre Dame is ranked seventh in the nation, according to the latest unofficial attendance figures released Monday by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Department. The Irish have averaged 7,828 fans for their 13 home games, almost 1,500 ahead of last season’s figures, when Notre Dame was ranked ninth in the country in attendance with an average of 6,376 fans per game.

In their last five home games, the Irish have welcomed five of the top 12 crowds in school history. A season-high 9,676 fans, the third-largest crowd ever, crammed the Joyce Center on Feb. 10 to watch Notre Dame pick off No. 16/18 Boston College. In addition, the Irish downed No. 16/17 Virginia Tech on Jan. 26 in front of a gathering of 8,878 fans (the fifth-largest crowd ever). Three days later on Jan. 29, Notre Dame defeated Syracuse before an audience of 8,571 spectators, ranking No. 6 on the Irish all-time attendance charts. Last Tuesday, the Irish downed West Virginia before a crowd of 7,709, the 11th-largest attendance ever. Lastly, a gathering of 7,677 fans witnessed a Feb. 13 victory over St. John’s, placing that crowd 12th in school history.

McGRAW REACHES COACHING MILESTONE AGAINST DEPAUL

Muffet McGraw coached her 450th game at Notre Dame on New Year’s Eve against DePaul. She owns a 341-124 (.733) record in her 15th season with the Irish, making her the winningest coach in school history and fourth on the BIG EAST Conference career wins list behind Connecticut’s **Geno Auriemma** (454), Rutgers’ **Theresa Grentz** (434) and Villanova’s **Harry Perretta** (434).

In addition, McGraw is the sixth coach to work 450 games at a BIG EAST Conference school. Besides the Notre Dame mentor, three of those coaches are still active in the league — Perretta (688), Auriemma (552) and Seton Hall’s **Phyllis Mangina** (484). Grentz (584) and Virginia Tech’s **Carol Alfano** (540) are the other BIG EAST skippers who reached that milestone.

NOTRE DAME PICKED SECOND IN BIG EAST PRESEASON BALLOTING

Fresh off a share of their first-ever BIG EAST championship last season, the Irish have been picked to finish second in 2001-02 according to a preseason poll of the league’s coaches which was released at BIG EAST Media Day on Oct. 25. Notre Dame claimed two first-place votes and 155 points overall, trailing only Connecticut (11 first-place votes, 167 points). Rutgers, Boston College and Villanova round out the top five, with VU picking up the remaining first-place vote.

Individually, junior guard **Alicia Ratay** was a first team preseason all-BIG EAST selection after earning third-team honors last year. The Lake Zurich, Ill., native set an NCAA record for three-point percentage by a sophomore last season (.547) and is the top returning scorer for the Irish in 2001-02 after charting 12.9 points per game a year ago.

Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** also was recognized by the conference coaches, earning second team preseason all-BIG EAST laurels. She joins Ratay as one of two starters back from last year’s NCAA championship squad and averaged 11 ppg. and 5.7 rpg. during the ‘00-01 campaign.

In addition, freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** was chosen as the preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year. It was one in a series of early-season honors for the South Bend, Ind., product, who also was named a first team freshman All-American by the *Women’s Basketball News Service* and was tabbed as one of the Top 21 “New Players of Impact” by Women’s College Hoops.com.

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

This season, for only the fourth time in school history, Notre Dame has just one captain — senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney**. She is the first solo captain for the Irish since **Sheila McMillen** in 1998-99 and the second in head coach **Muffet McGraw’s** 15-year tenure.

IRISH HAIL FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA

The 12 players on this year’s Notre Dame roster hail from nine different states, including two each from Florida, Illinois and Ohio. Other states represented on the Irish roster include Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, Texas, Washington and Wyoming. The all-time Notre Dame roster features players from 34 different states, including 23 during the **Muffet McGraw** era. Ironically, the most common home state on the Irish all-time roster — Michigan (14) — is not represented on this season’s roster.

FUN WITH NUMBERS

This season, Notre Dame fans are seeing a pair of jersey numbers on the floor that haven’t made an appearance in quite some time. Freshman guard **Kelsey Wicks** has chosen to wear No. 24, becoming the first Irish player since **Andrea Alexander** (1990-94) to sport those digits. In addition, freshman



forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is wearing No. 21 this season, a number which has not been modeled by an Irish player since All-American **Beth Morgan** wore the same jersey from 1993-97. Prior to Morgan, the last Notre Dame player to wear No. 21 was current Irish assistant coach **Coquese Washington**, who had the number from 1989-93.

NOTRE DAME AMONG RECENT WINS LEADERS

Notre Dame has won 159 games in the last five-plus seasons, which stands as the fifth-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 (through games of Feb. 24):

TEAM	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	Total
1. Connecticut	33	34	29	36	32	29	193
2. Tennessee	29	39	31	33	31	24	187
3. Louisiana Tech	31	31	30	31	31	20	174
4. Old Dominion	34	29	28	29	21	21	162
5. NOTRE DAME	31	22	26	27	34	19	159

NOW THAT'S A HOME COURT ADVANTAGE

Notre Dame is looking to continue some impressive streaks in 2001-02. The Irish have won a school-record 51 consecutive games at home, which became the longest active streak in the nation when Kent State's 43-game run came to an end Dec. 1 with a loss to Rhode Island. The Irish have not lost at home in more than three years, dating back to a defeat at the hands of top-ranked Connecticut on Dec. 8, 1998. Notre Dame also has a 56-3 (.949) record (including a current 31-game winning streak) in BIG EAST play at the Joyce Center, with Connecticut the only league team to solve the Irish at home.

In addition, Notre Dame sports a five-year, 29-game non-conference winning streak at the Joyce Center — a stretch that includes victories over a trio of sixth-ranked teams (UCLA and Duke in 1998-99 and Purdue in 2000-01), as well as 25th-ranked Illinois in '98-99. Notre Dame's last non-conference loss at the Joyce Center came way back on Dec. 9, 1996, when 19th-ranked Wisconsin toppled the Irish, 81-69. Overall, the Irish are 76-2 (.974) at the Joyce Center in their last 78 home games, with the only losses coming to Connecticut.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, sporting a 239-65 (.786) mark at the venerable facility. Last season, the Irish were a perfect 15-0 for the second year in a row. The 15 victories are a school record for home wins in a season and the first time Notre Dame teams have been undefeated at home during the regular season. Also, since joining the BIG EAST Conference prior to the 1995-96 season, **Muffet McGraw's** squad is 89-4 (.957) at the Joyce Center.

SEASON TICKET SALES REACH ALL-TIME HIGH FOR IRISH

Attendance at Notre Dame women's basketball games in 2000-01 increased nearly 88 percent compared to the previous season — and indications suggest another significant jump is underway for the 2001-02 campaign. Coming off the 2001 NCAA championship, there have been more than 6,700 season tickets sold to the general public and University faculty and staff for the '01-'02 women's basketball season. That's compared to 2,700 a year ago and 940 in 1999-2000 — a jump of nearly 150 percent over last season, and a whopping 700 percent rise in just two years.

The sale of season tickets for the '01-02 campaign actually began midway through Notre Dame's 2001 championship season. All seats are reserved for Irish women's games for the first time this season — all seating in previous years had been general admission.

The Irish ranked ninth nationally in attendance last year at 6,376 fans per game, compared to 3,392 in 1999-2000. Notre Dame also recorded the first two women's basketball sellouts in school history, as 11,418 fans packed the Joyce Center for victories over top-ranked Connecticut and Georgetown.

Twelve of Notre Dame's 13 home games in 2001-02 have attracted more than 7,000 fans, placing them among the top 20 crowds in school history (see chart on page 6). Leading the way is the gathering of 9,676 fans on Feb. 10 for a win over No. 16/18 Boston College, representing the third-largest crowd in school history. Furthermore, all of the top 20 crowds in the Irish record book have occurred during the 15-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw**. 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 last three seasons.

NOTRE DAME AMONG BEST IN ATHLETE GRADUATION RATES

The University of Notre Dame ranks among the top NCAA Division I-A institutions in five major graduation rate categories — all student-athletes, football players, male student-athletes, female student-athletes and African-American student-athletes — according to statistics released this fall by the NCAA.

The 2001 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 11th-such survey issued by the association, covers students who enrolled between 1991 and 1994 at Division I institutions, including 114 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.

Using the NCAA formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 85 percent of its student-athletes, fourth behind Northwestern (92 percent), Duke (91) and Stanford (88).

Among student-athletes who complete all four years of athletic eligibility at Notre Dame, not considering those who leave or transfer, 99 percent earn their degrees. The national average for Division I-A schools is 58 percent.

Notre Dame graduated 90 percent of all women competing in varsity athletics, to rank fifth in that category behind leader Northwestern at 98 percent. Among men, Notre Dame's 82 percent rate is fourth behind Duke at 90 percent, Northwestern at 88 percent and Stanford at 85 percent.

Notre Dame graduated 73 percent of its African-American student-athletes, ranking behind only Duke, Vanderbilt, Stanford, Northwestern and Rice.

Here are the top institutions in some of the major categories:

ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Northwestern 92%
- 2. Duke 91%
- 3. Stanford 88%
- 4. **NOTRE DAME 85%**

FEMALE STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Northwestern 98%
- 2. Stanford 93%
- 3. Duke 92%
- 4. Vanderbilt 91%
- 5. **NOTRE DAME 90%**

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Duke 84%
- 2. Vanderbilt 82%
- 3. Stanford 81%
- 4. Northwestern 80%
- 5. Rice 78%
- 6. **NOTRE DAME 73%**



IRISH CAREER RECORDS

Scoring Average

1. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	18.6
2. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	16.6
3. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	15.8
4. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	14.5
5. Trena Keys (1982-86)	14.3
6. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	13.8
7. Karen Robinson (1987-91)	13.1

Three-Point Field Goals Made

1. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	249
2. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	231
3. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	203
4. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	190
5. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	128

Three-Point Field Goals Attempted

1. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	650
2. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	628
3. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	469
4. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	414
5. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	342
6. Lisa Kuhns (1985-86, 87-90)	262
7. Coquese Washington (1989-93)	231
8. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	216
9. Jeneka Joyce (2000-present)	122
10. Sherisha Hills (1998-99)	114

Three-Point Field-Goal Percentage (min. 50 att.)

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	.490 (203-414)
2. Kari Hutchinson (1994-98)	.424
3. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	.405
4. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	.394
5. Lisa Kuhns (1986, '88-90)	.389
6. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	.383
7. Jeneka Joyce (2000-present)	.377 (46-122)
Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.377
8. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.368
Sara Liebscher (1987-91)	.368

Free Throw Percentage (min. 75 att.)

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	.863 (246-285)
2. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.819
3. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.814

Blocked Shots

1. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	370
2. Amanda Barksdale (1999-pres.)	164
3. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	141
4. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	133

Blocked Shot Average

1. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	2.82
2. Amanda Barksdale (1999-pres.)	1.93
3. Shari Matvey (1980-83)	1.22
4. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	1.12
Trena Keys (1982-86)	1.12

Boldface indicates current players

NOTRE DAME FACES TOUGH SCHEDULE IN 2001-02

Notre Dame is slated to play 10 teams which reached the postseason as part of a rugged schedule this year. On the docket are seven 2001 NCAA Tournament squads and four teams (Connecticut - 1/1, Purdue - 7/7, Boston College - 18/17 and Colorado State - 20/16) which are ranked in the Top 25 in the latest Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today coaches' polls. In addition, three other Irish opponents (Rice, Villanova and Virginia Tech) are receiving votes one or both of the major polls this week.

IRISH ON THE SMALL SCREEN

Notre Dame is getting a good deal of face time in 2001-02, playing on television at least eight times, including a pair of nationally-televised contests — Nov. 21 at Arizona (Fox Sports Net) and Jan. 21 at Connecticut (ESPN). The Irish also will make two regional television appearances this season — Jan. 2 at Miami (Fox Sports Florida) and Feb. 2 at Seton Hall (CN8, The Comcast Network).

In addition, Notre Dame will appear three times as part of the BIG EAST regular-season television package, playing host to Virginia Tech (Jan. 26) and traveling to Villanova (Jan. 12) and Rutgers (Feb. 16). All three of those games will be telecast live on Fox Sports Chicago as part of the league's TV deal. The BIG EAST Championship semifinals on March 4 also will be aired on the BIG EAST TV package, while the conference title game on March 5 will be broadcast live on ESPN2.

Additionally, the Dec. 6 rematch of the 2001 NCAA championship game between Notre Dame and Purdue was televised live statewide by LeSea Broadcasting, which includes WHME-TV (Channel 46) in South Bend and WHMB-TV (Channel 40) in Indianapolis.

NOTRE DAME RECEIVES COMMITMENTS FROM PAIR OF TOP 25 PROSPECTS

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** announced Nov. 15 that two of the nation's top high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their careers with the Irish, signing national letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2002. **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, OH/Chaminade-Julienne HS) and **Courtney LaVere** (Ventura, CA/Buena HS) both committed to the Irish during the early signing period.

Duffy, a 5-7 guard, averaged 17 points per game last season for Chaminade-Julienne High School in Dayton, Ohio. She was a 2001 first-team Division I all-state selection and earned honorable mention All-America accolades from *Street & Smith's*. Additionally, *Student Sports* tabbed her as a junior All-America selection. She was rated as high as No. 24 in the country by the All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) and No. 29 by *School Sports*.

LaVere, a 6-3 forward, tallied 13.8 points and eight rebounds per game last season for Buena High School in Ventura, Calif. She also shot 54 percent from the field and 73 percent from the free throw line for BHS, which was ranked in the top 10 nationally throughout the 2000-01 season by *USA Today*. In addition, LaVere was an All-America honoree by both *USA Today* and *Street & Smith's* last year, and she already has been selected as a preseason third-team All-American for the '01-02 campaign by *School Sports*. Like Duffy, LaVere also was a first-team all-state selection last season. She is a consensus top-15 player according to all of the major recruiting services — No. 10 by the Blue Star Index, No. 13 by *School Sports* and No. 15 by ASGR.

The additions of Duffy and LaVere have given Notre Dame one of this year's top 10 recruiting classes, according to at least two major recruiting outlets. The *Women's Basketball Journal*, in conjunction with ASGR, has pegged the Irish Class of 2006 at No. 5 in the nation. Meanwhile, the Blue Star Index ranked the latest group of Irish signees eighth in the nation, marking the sixth consecutive year in which Blue Star has placed Notre Dame's recruiting class among the Top 20 in the country.

IRISH SOLID IN THE CLASSROOM

The Notre Dame women's basketball program posted a 3.24 grade-point average during the fall 2001 semester, paced by its freshman class which had an impressive 3.2 GPA in its initial semester on campus. All told, nine Irish players charted a 3.0 GPA or better last fall, led by junior guard **Karen Swanson**, who recorded a 3.733 GPA as she works towards her business degree.

The other eight players to top the 3.0 mark last semester were juniors **Alicia Ratay** and **Monique Hernandez**, sophomores **Jeneka Joyce** and **Le'Tania Severe**, and freshmen **Teresa Borton**, **Katy Flecky**, **Jill Krause** and **Kelsey Wicks**.



IRISH TRENDS IN '01-02

Day of the Week

Sunday	3-1
Monday	2-1
Tuesday	3-0
Wednesday	4-1
Thursday	0-1
Friday	0-1
Saturday	7-2

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m local time)	10-4
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	9-3

Location

Home games	13-0
Road games	6-6
Neutral site games	0-1

Halftime score

Leading at the half	16-1
Trailing at the half	3-5
Tied at the half	0-1

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	16-3
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	3-4
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	0-0

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	17-4
Lower pct. than opponent	2-3
Same pct. as opponent	0-0
Shoot 45% or better	8-1
Shoot less than 45%	11-6
Hold opponent under 40%	15-3

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	13-1
Make fewer free throws	4-5
Make same number of free throws	2-1

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	6-1
Commit more turnovers	10-6
Commit same number of turnovers	3-0

Final Margin

1-5 points	3-2
6-10 points	4-1
11-15 points	2-3
16-20 points	2-0
21+ points	8-1

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	13-2
Big Ten	0-2
Conference USA	2-0
Mid-American	1-0
Mid-Continent	1-0
Mountain West	0-1
Pacific-10	1-1
Patriot League	1-0
Western Athletic	0-1

Month

November	2-2
December	4-3
January	6-2
February	7-0
March	0-0

RATAY NAMED TO VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT SECOND TEAM

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** (Lake Zurich, Ill./Lake Zurich HS) was selected to the Verizon Academic All-District V University Division Second Team, it was announced Feb. 21. She holds a 3.42 cumulative grade-point average (GPA) with a double major in psychology and education.

Ratay is the second Irish women's basketball student-athlete in as many years to earn district academic recognition. **Ruth Riley** was a first-team all-district choice in 2001, paving the way for her eventual selection as the Verizon Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the overall Verizon Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year.

To be nominated for inclusion on the academic all-district squad, student-athletes must have reached sophomore athletic and academic status at her current institution, and must be a starter or important reserve with at least a 3.2 cumulative GPA. The District V University Division ballot included student-athletes from NCAA Division I institutions in Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota and Wisconsin, as well as the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Manitoba.

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR 2002 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL BANQUET

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Notre Dame Women's Basketball Banquet — scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2002, at the Joyce Center. A reception and autograph session begin at 5:45 p.m. (EST) on the concourse and the dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. on the arena floor.

The event includes video highlights from the 2001-02 season, award presentations — and remarks from University president **Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.**, athletics director **Kevin White**, head coach **Muffet McGraw** and senior honorees.

Tickets are \$25 each. Checks can be made payable to University of Notre Dame and mailed to Athletics Business Office, 112 Joyce Center, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Telephone reservations are not accepted. Reservation forms are available at all remaining home basketball games and at the Joyce Center second-floor ticket windows. Deadline for reservations is Monday, March 29. For additional information, contact the Notre Dame women's basketball offices at (574) 631-5420.

KRAUSE FEATURED IN "CONFESSIONS OF A FRESHMAN"

Freshman guard **Jill Krause** is giving fans an inside look at the 2001-02 Irish women's basketball team through regular diary entries on the Notre Dame athletic website, www.und.com. Entitled "Confessions of a Freshman," the Glenview, Ill., native is detailing her journey as a first-year player on the defending NCAA championship squad. Her diary entries may be accessed either from the front page or the women's basketball page on the Notre Dame website.

HANEY SHINES ON BIG EAST ALL-STAR TEAM

For the second time in as many years, Notre Dame sent a player with the BIG EAST Women's Basketball All-Star Team, as guard/forward **Erica Haney** joined the squad for its six-game swing of Germany last summer. Haney followed in the footsteps of **Niele Ivey**, who helped lead the BIG EAST All-Stars to a 5-1 record during a junket through Canada in the summer of 2000.

Haney paced the BIG EAST squad, which was led by Syracuse head coach **Marianna Freeman**, to an unbeaten 6-0 record during its tour, scoring a team-high 18 points in a 103-57 win over Ludwigsburg/Malmsheim in the final game of the trip.

Haney finished with a team-high 13.0 points per game and collected 4.5 rebounds per game during her European vacation. She also scored in double figures in five of the All-Stars' six wins.

REMINDER — SOUTH BEND AREA CODE CHANGE

The area code for north central Indiana, including South Bend, Elkhart and Mishawaka, has changed from 219 to 574, effective Jan. 15. Please be aware that all University of Notre Dame athletic department phones also have switched over to this new area code. The 219 area code still will be active through June 15, although callers will be reminded of the change to the new 574 area code.



**RUTH RILEY RECEIVES
NCAA TODAY'S TOP VIII
AWARD**

Former Notre Dame All-American and Academic All-American **Ruth Riley**, the consensus national player of the year in women's basketball in 2001 and already winner of an NCAA postgraduate scholarship, was named a recipient of the NCAA Today's Top VIII Award on Dec. 13. The Today's Top VIII Award winners are a group of distinguished student-athletes from the 2001 calendar year who were recognized for athletics, academic achievement, character and leadership at the 37th annual NCAA Honors Dinner Jan. 13 in Indianapolis.

In addition to their athletics accomplishments, the NCAA Today's Top VIII recipients earned numerous academic honors, volunteered countless hours to community projects and served as role models for their academic institutions and to their peers.

A two-time *Associated Press* first team All-American, Riley was selected as the 2001 BIG EAST Player of the Year and the AP and Naismith Women's College Player of the Year after helping lead Notre Dame to its first national title last spring. Off the court, Riley was selected as the Verizon Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year after being named first team Academic All-American for two consecutive years.

Riley averaged 19 points and eight rebounds a game, leading Notre Dame to a 34-2 record. The former Irish center is the only player in Notre Dame history to score more than 2,000 points and grab more than 1,000 rebounds.

An eight-time Dean's List selection at Notre Dame, Riley graduated in May 2001 with a 3.64 grade-point average in psychology and sociology. She was also selected as the BIG EAST women's basketball scholar-athlete of the year and the BIG EAST women's scholar-athlete of the year for all sports. Riley received the university's highest scholar-athlete honor when she was awarded the Byron V. Kanaley Award at the 2001 Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet.

Last April, she was chosen in the first round of the 2001 WNBA Draft, going fifth overall to the Miami Sol. In her inaugural professional season in south Florida, Riley averaged 6.8 points, 4.1 rebounds and 1.44 blocks per game (ninth in the league) while helping Miami qualify for the WNBA playoffs.

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 Feb. 18) and BIG EAST Conference statistics report for all games and conference games (through games of Feb. 24):

Team Rankings	NCAA	All Games	Conference Games
Scoring Offense		4th at 66.5	2nd at 67.3
Scoring Defense	7th at 55.8	3rd at 56.5	3rd at 55.5
Scoring Margin		3rd at +10.0	3rd at +11.8
FT Percentage		10th at .681	7th at .710
FG Percentage		5th at .431	3rd at .440
FG Percentage Defense	4th at .341	2nd at .341	2nd at .346
3-Point FG Percentage	19th at .379	3rd at .382	2nd at .379
3-Point FG Pct. Defense	not kept	1st at .279	2nd at .291
Rebounding		2nd at 42.8	2nd at 41.5
Rebounding Defense	not kept	4th at 34.7	3rd at 33.5
Rebounding Margin	15th at +7.7	2nd at +8.1	2nd at +8.0
Blocked Shots	not kept	1st at 6.46	1st at 6.8
Assists	not kept	9th at 13.81	8th at 13.13
Steals	not kept	12th at 7.27	12th at 7.0
Turnover Margin	not kept	14th at (-3.0)	11th at (-2.93)
Assist/Turnover Ratio	not kept	7th at 0.80	6th at 0.81

Individual Rankings	NCAA	All Games	Conference Games
Scoring		Ratay, 3rd at 14.9	Ratay, 2nd at 16.5
		Batteast, 6th at 14.8	Batteast, 10th at 14.2
Rebounding		Batteast, 2nd at 8.5	Batteast, 2nd at 8.1
			Ratay, 17th at 5.9
FG Percentage		Batteast, 6th at .413	
Assists		Severe, 7th at 5.08	Severe, 7th at 5.0
FT Percentage	Ratay, 24th at .867	Ratay, 1st at .874	Ratay, 2nd at .871
		Batteast, 13th at .710	
Steals		Severe, t-9th at 1.96	Severe, t-8th at 2.0
3-Point FG Made		Ratay, t-10th at 1.88	Ratay, t-8th at 1.93
Blocks	Barksdale, 4th at 3.3	Barksdale, 1st at 3.27	Barksdale, t-1st at 2.93
		Batteast, 3rd at 1.52	Batteast, 6th at 1.42
Assist/Turnover Ratio		Severe, 13th at 1.27	Severe, 9th at 1.47
Offensive Rebounds		Batteast, 7th at 2.74	Borton, t-11th at 2.6
		Borton, 8th at 2.65	Batteast, 15th at 2.5
Defensive Rebounds		Batteast, 1st at 5.74	Batteast, 2nd at 5.58
		Ratay, 9th at 4.12	Ratay, 6th at 4.47

2001-02 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 19-7 (Home: 13-0, Away: 6-6, Neutral: 0-1); BIG EAST Conference Record: 13-2

----- Notre Dame Highs -----											
Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	ND Result	W-L	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 18	15/14		VALPARAISO	W 42-35	W1	1-0		Borton-14	two with 9	Severe-4	7,960
Nov. 21	15/15	20/22	at Colorado State	L 66-72	L1	1-1		Ratay-16	Batteast-11	Severe-5	6,749
Nov. 24	15/15		at Arizona	L 70-72	L2	1-2		Ratay-19	Haney-9	Severe-6	3,335
Nov. 26	23/23		ARMY	W 89-57	W1	2-2		Batteast-18	Batteast-12	Severe-4	7,323
Dec. 2	23/23	16/17	(1) vs. Michigan	L 63-78	L1	2-3		Ratay-19	Batteast-9	Severe-6	6,482
Dec. 6		7/8	at Purdue	L 57-70	L2	2-4		Ratay-12	Severe-8	Severe-8	8,786
Dec. 9			USC	W 62-49	W1	3-4		Batteast-19	two with 7	Severe-4	7,595
Dec. 12			WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 71-48	W2	4-4		Batteast-20	two with 10	Severe-8	7,310
Dec. 22			MARQUETTE	W 60-33	W3	5-4		Batteast-11	Batteast-12	Severe-4	7,132
Dec. 28			at Rice	L 61-72	L1	5-5		Batteast-23	Batteast-10	Severe-5	1,602
Dec. 31			DEPAUL	W 79-50	W1	6-5		Batteast-25	Batteast-14	two with 4	7,154
Jan. 2			at Miami*	W 69-65	W2	7-5	1-0	Ratay-23	Batteast-13	Batteast-6	1,094
Jan. 5			PROVIDENCE*	W 72-66	W3	8-5	2-0	Batteast-26	Batteast-9	Severe-6	7,804
Jan. 9			SETON HALL*	W 79-45	W4	9-5	3-0	Ratay-18	Wicks-10	Severe-7	6,975
Jan. 12			at Villanova*	L 59-60	L1	9-6	3-1	Ratay-22	two with 7	Ratay-4	2,259
Jan. 19			at Providence*	W 69-41	W1	10-6	4-1	Batteast-14	Borton-10	Borton-4	1,750
Jan. 21		1/1	(2) at Connecticut*	L 53-80	L1	10-7	4-2	Wicks-16	three with 5	Severe-7	16,294
Jan. 26		16/17	VIRGINIA TECH*	W 64-57	W1	11-7	5-2	Batteast-26	Wicks-8	Severe-6	8,878
Jan. 29			SYRACUSE*	W 71-46	W2	12-7	6-2	Bustamante-21	Batteast-15	Severe-9	8,571
Feb. 2			at Seton Hall*	W 65-60	W3	13-7	7-2	Batteast-21	Batteast-12	Severe-5	1,112
Feb. 5			at Pittsburgh*	W 68-56	W4	14-7	8-2	Ratay-21	Batteast-12	Severe-5	1,032
Feb. 10		16/18	BOSTON COLLEGE*	W 60-44	W5	15-7	9-2	Batteast-18	Batteast-10	two with 3	9,676
Feb. 13	23/arv		ST. JOHN'S*	W 66-31	W6	16-7	10-2	two with 14	two with 10	Severe-6	7,677
Feb. 16	23/arv		at Rutgers*	W 57-52	W7	17-7	11-2	Ratay-25	Ratay-8	two with 3	6,143
Feb. 19	22/arv		WEST VIRGINIA*	W 72-63	W8	18-7	12-2	Ratay-31	Severe-9	Severe-4	7,709
Feb. 23	22/arv		at Georgetown*	W 86-66	W9	19-7	13-2	Ratay-24	three with 7	Severe-8	1,017
Feb. 26			VILLANOVA*								

BIG EAST Championship (Louis Brown Athletic Center, Piscataway, N.J.)

March 3 Quarterfinals
 March 4 Semifinals
 March 5 Championship

NCAA First & Second Rounds (Campus sites TBA)

March 15 & 16 First Round
 March 17 & 18 Second Round

NCAA Regionals (East - Raleigh, N.C.; Mideast - Milwaukee, Wis.; Midwest - Ames, Iowa; West - Boise, Idaho)

March 23 Semifinals
 March 25 Finals

NCAA Final Four (Alamodome, San Antonio, Texas)

March 29 Semifinals
 March 31 Championship

CAPS denotes home game

**BIG EAST Conference game*

(1) Women's College Basketball Showcase (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

(2) Game played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center

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

NOTRE DAME VS. VILLANOVA

2001-02 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 19-7 (Home: 13-0, Away: 6-6, Neutral: 0-1)

<i>Player</i>	<i>GP-GS</i>	<i>Min.-Avg.</i>	<i>FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>3FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>FT-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>OR</i>	<i>DR</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>	<i>PF-DQ</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>
Alicia Ratay	26-26	876-33.7	121-267	.453	49-114	.430	97-111	.874	39	107	146	5.6	29-0	42	50	6	32	388	14.9
Jacqueline Batteast	23-22	658-28.6	124-300	.413	26-74	.351	66-93	.710	63	132	195	8.5	55-1	51	65	35	31	340	14.8
Ericka Haney	26-21	565-21.7	72-170	.424	0-0	.000	28-41	.683	42	76	118	4.5	43-0	16	49	12	19	172	6.6
Le'Tania Severe	26-20	765-29.4	50-123	.407	4-11	.364	67-104	.644	21	81	102	3.9	59-0	132	104	12	51	171	6.6
Teresa Borton	26-6	547-21.0	67-136	.493	0-0	.000	24-48	.500	69	63	132	5.1	53-1	27	28	15	11	158	6.1
Allison Bustamante	20-2	232-11.6	33-76	.434	18-40	.450	13-22	.591	4	35	39	2.0	24-0	11	14	6	6	97	4.9
Katy Flecky	23-4	322-14.0	39-86	.453	0-0	.000	32-52	.615	25	51	76	3.3	40-0	17	36	8	13	110	4.8
Kelsey Wicks	25-1	371-14.8	40-105	.381	20-61	.328	18-27	.667	29	57	86	3.4	32-0	10	20	2	12	118	4.7
Jeneka Joyce	20-8	341-17.1	26-60	.433	16-43	.372	8-17	.471	7	24	31	1.6	12-0	27	26	0	5	76	3.8
Amanda Barksdale	22-19	362-16.5	34-69	.493	0-0	.000	14-24	.583	29	44	73	3.3	48-1	12	29	72	4	82	3.7
Karen Swanson	13-1	52-4.0	3-12	.250	0-4	.000	6-8	.750	4	3	7	0.5	4-0	3	5	0	0	12	0.9
Jill Krause	10-0	33-3.3	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	3	3	0.3	3-0	4	6	0	0	4	0.4
Monique Hernandez	11-0	76-6.9	1-12	.083	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	3	2	5	0.5	9-0	7	5	0	5	2	0.2
Team									40	60	100	3.8							
Notre Dame	26	5200	611-1419	.431	133-348	.382	375-551	.681	375	738	1113	42.8	411-3	359	447	168	189	1730	66.5
Opponents	26	5200	516-1513	.341	118-423	.279	318-501	.635	360	542	902	34.7	473-11	319	369	79	238	1468	56.5

2001-02 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Conference Only

BIG EAST Conference Record: 13-2 (Home: 7-0, Away: 6-2)

<i>Player</i>	<i>GP-GS</i>	<i>Min.-Avg.</i>	<i>FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>3FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>FT-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>OR</i>	<i>DR</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>	<i>PF-DQ</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>
Alicia Ratay	15-15	504-33.6	72-158	.456	29-66	.439	74-85	.871	21	67	88	5.9	15-0	19	29	5	22	247	16.5
Jacqueline Batteast	12-11	341-28.4	55-148	.372	11-34	.324	49-68	.721	30	67	97	8.1	29-1	31	35	17	14	170	14.2
Ericka Haney	15-14	345-23.0	46-100	.460	0-0	.000	19-25	.760	20	40	60	4.0	21-0	8	28	7	9	111	7.4
Teresa Borton	15-0	321-21.4	42-75	.560	0-0	.000	16-26	.615	39	34	73	4.9	27-1	16	17	13	5	100	6.7
Allison Bustamante	15-2	192-12.8	27-60	.450	14-33	.424	12-19	.632	3	26	29	1.9	18-0	9	11	5	6	80	5.3
Katy Flecky	13-4	202-15.5	26-55	.473	0-0	.000	16-30	.533	14	29	43	3.3	25-0	8	21	4	7	68	5.2
Kelsey Wicks	15-1	242-16.1	26-67	.388	14-43	.326	11-17	.647	15	41	56	3.7	14-0	6	9	2	9	77	5.1
Le'Tania Severe	15-9	435-29.0	21-53	.396	0-1	.000	35-56	.625	11	45	56	3.7	35-0	75	51	5	30	77	5.1
Amanda Barksdale	15-14	239-15.9	19-38	.500	0-0	.000	8-13	.615	21	27	48	3.2	31-0	7	20	44	1	46	3.1
Jeneka Joyce	9-4	132-14.7	7-20	.350	6-17	.353	3-5	.600	3	7	10	1.1	3-0	13	9	0	2	23	2.6
Karen Swanson	8-1	30-3.8	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	5-6	.833	4	0	4	0.5	1-0	2	3	0	0	7	0.9
Jill Krause	5-0	17-3.4	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	1	1	0.2	3-0	3	5	0	0	4	0.8
Team									23	34	57	3.8							
Notre Dame	15	3000	343-780	.440	74-195	.379	250-352	.710	204	418	622	41.5	222-2	197	244	102	105	1010	67.3
Opponents	15	3000	300-867	.346	69-237	.291	163-269	.606	207	296	503	33.5	294-10	182	200	42	144	832	55.5

2001-02 Single Game Highs & Lows

NOTRE DAME HIGHS

Points (Game)	89 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Points (Half)	49 at Georgetown (2nd half), 2/23/02
Field Goals Made	33 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Field Goal Attempts	77 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Field Goal Percentage (<i>min. 25 attempts</i>)	58.0 (29-50) vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
Three-Point Field Goals Made	13* at Miami, 1/2/02
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	28* vs. Army, 11/26/01
Three-Point Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	60.0 (6-10) vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Free Throws Made	27 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02
Free Throw Attempts	35 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02
Free Throw Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	84.2 (16-19) vs. Virginia Tech, 1/26/02
Rebounds	60 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Personal Fouls	26 at Rice, 12/28/01
Assists	20, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
Turnovers	26 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	16 vs. Boston College, 2/10/02
Steals	14 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02

OPPONENT HIGHS

Points (Game)	80, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Points (Half)	45, Michigan (1st half), 12/2/01
Field Goals Made	30, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Field Goal Attempts	71, twice (MR: Boston College, 2/10/02)
Field Goal Percentage (<i>min. 25 attempts</i>)	50.0 (29-58), Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	8, twice (MR: Villanova, 1/12/02)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	28, DePaul, 12/31/01
Three-Point Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	70.0 (7-10), Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throws Made	26, Rice, 12/28/01
Free Throw Attempts	40, Rice, 12/28/01
Free Throw Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	100.0* (20-20), Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	51, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Personal Fouls	26, Providence, 1/5/02
Assists	23, Michigan, 12/2/01
Turnovers	27, USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	9, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Steals	17, Miami, 1/2/02

* denotes school record

NOTRE DAME LOWS

Points (Game)	42 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Points (Half)	18 vs. Valparaiso (2nd half), 11/18/01
Field Goals Made	14 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Attempts	43 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Percentage	32.1 (17-53) at Seton Hall, 2/2/02
Three-Point Field Goals Made	0, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/13/02)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	2 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Three-Point Percentage	00.0, twice (MR: (0-15) vs. St. John's, 2/13/02)
Free Throws Made	5 at Connecticut, 1/21/01
Free Throw Attempts	8 at Connecticut, 1/21/01
Free Throw Percentage	42.9 (6-14) vs. Marquette, 12/22/01
Rebounds	28, twice (MR: vs. Providence, 1/5/02)
Personal Fouls	7 at Rutgers, 2/16/02
Assists	8 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Turnovers	7* vs. Virginia Tech, 1/26/02
Blocked Shots	1 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Steals	3, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/02)

OPPONENT LOWS

Points (Game)	31, St. John's, 2/13/02
Points (Half)	12, twice (MR: St. John's (1st half), 2/13/02)
Field Goals Made	10, Marquette, 12/22/01
Field Goal Attempts	45, Seton Hall, 2/2/02
Field Goal Percentage	18.5 (10-54), Marquette, 12/22/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	1, four times (MR: Providence, 1/19/02)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	7, Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Percentage	5.0 (1-20), Providence, 1/19/02
Free Throws Made	3, Rutgers, 2/16/02
Free Throw Attempts	8, Rutgers, 2/16/02
Free Throw Percentage	33.3 (4-12), Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	20, Villanova, 1/12/02
Personal Fouls	10, Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Assists	5, DePaul, 12/31/01
Turnovers	6*, Virginia Tech, 1/26/02
Blocked Shots	0, twice (MR: Boston College, 2/10/02)
Steals	1, Virginia Tech, 1/26/02

* denotes school record

2001-02 Miscellaneous Statistics

Starting Combos (F-F-C-G-G) & W-L Marks All Games vs. BIG EAST teams

Flecky, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Severe	3-0	3-0
Batteast, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Bustamante	1-0	1-0
Flecky, Wicks, Bustamante (G), Ratay, Swanson	1-0	1-0
Batteast, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Severe	6-1	5-1
Batteast, Joyce (G), Barksdale, Ratay, Severe	3-1	0-0
Batteast, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Joyce	3-1	3-1
Batteast, Haney, Borton, Ratay, Severe	2-4	0-0

Complete Games Played: 2 (Ratay 2) // Opponents: 6

Most Minutes: 40 (Alicia Ratay vs. Valparaiso, 11/18; Ratay vs. West Virginia, 2/19)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 68 (Ratay 21, Batteast 19, Haney 7, Severe 7, Borton 5, Bustamante 4, Flecky 2, Barksdale 1, Joyce 1, Wicks 1) // Opponents: 62
 20-29-Point Games: 14 (Batteast 6, Ratay 6, Borton 1, Bustamante 1) // Opponents: 7
 30-39-Point Games: 1 (Ratay 1) // Opponents: 0
 Game-High Honors*: 22 (Batteast 10, Ratay 9, Borton 1, Bustamante 1, Haney 1)
 Team-High Honors*: 27 (Ratay 12, Batteast 11, Borton 1, Bustamante 1, Haney 1, Wicks 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 17 (Batteast 11, Borton 2, Flecky 1, Haney 1, Ratay 1, Wicks 1) // Opponents: 7
 Game-High Honors*: 23 (Batteast 11, Haney 3, Ratay 3, Borton 2, Wicks 2, Flecky/Severe 1)

Team-High Honors*: 36 (Batteast 16, Ratay 6, Borton 3, Haney 3, Severe 3, Flecky 2, Wicks 2, Barksdale 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
 Game-High Honors*: 20 (Severe 18, Borton 1, Ratay 1)
 Team-High Honors*: 28 (Severe 22, Batteast 2, Borton 2, Ratay 2)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 16 (Batteast 11 - CSU, ARMY, WMU, MARQ, RICE, DEP, MIA, SYR, SHU (2), PITT, BC; Borton 2 - PC (2), PITT; Flecky 1 - SJU; Haney 1 - WMU; Ratay 1 - SJU) // Opponents: 6
 Points/Assists: 0 // Opponents: 0

Largest Lead

ND: 35, three times — 71-36 (4:34, 2nd) and 73-38 (3:31, 2nd) vs. Seton Hall (ND 79-45), 1/9; 66-31 (:06.4, 2nd) vs. St. John's, 2/13
 Opp: 37, twice — 76-39 (5:29, 2nd) and 78-41 (3:27, 2nd) at UConn (UC 80-53), 1/21

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 10, twice — 20-10 (10:57, 1st) & 21-11 (8:24, 1st) at Seton Hall (ND 65-60), 2/2

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: 3 (28-25) at Seton Hall (ND 65-60), 2/2

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 11, twice — 38-27 (17:18, 2nd) and 42-31 (14:56, 2nd) at Villanova (VU 60-59), 1/12

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 6 (31-25) at Villanova (VU 60-59), 1/12

* totals may not equal games played due to ties

The Last Time It Happened ...

Notre Dame recorded a

30-point win was on 2/13/02 — ND 66, St. John's 31 (35 points)*
 40-point win was on 3/17/01 — ND 98, Alcorn State 49 (49 points)* (*NCAA Tournament First Round*)
 50-point win was on 3/4/01 — ND 89, Georgetown 33 (56 points) (*BIG EAST Tournament Quarterfinal at Storrs, Conn.*)
 30-point loss was on 1/7/94 — Tennessee 105, ND 70 (35 points)*

Notre Dame shot

60% on FGs was on 2/27/01 — 63.5% (33-52) at Pittsburgh (ND 82-63)
 65% on FGs was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*
 90% on FTs was on 1/9/97 — 91.7% (11-12) vs. West Virginia (ND 103-58)*

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 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90)*
 * 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 11/18/01 (ND 42, Valparaiso 35)*
 allowed less than 50 points was on 2/13/02 (ND 66, St. John's 31)*
 played an overtime game was on 3/6/00 (Rutgers 81, ND 72) (*BIG EAST Tournament Semifinal at Storrs, Conn.*)
 * played a multiple-overtime game was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)
 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 six double-figure scorers was on 1/23/99 (ND 99, St. John's 60) — Danielle Green 20, Sheila McMillen 20, Ericka Haney 16, Sherisha Hills 13, Ruth Riley 13, Niele Ivey 12*
 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 two double-figure rebounders was on 2/13/02 (ND 66, St. John's 31) — Katy Flecky 10, Alicia Ratay 10*
 had two 20-point scorers was on 1/26/02 (ND 64, Virginia Tech 57) — Jacqueline Batteast 26, Alicia Ratay 22*
 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 1/2/02 (ND 69, Miami 65) — 13-24 (54.2%) on threes (**tied school record**)
 committed less than 10 turnovers was on 1/26/02 (ND 64, Virginia Tech 57) — 7 turnovers* (**school record**)
 committed 25 turnovers was on 12/9/01 (ND 62, USC 49) — 26 turnovers*
 forced 25 turnovers was on 12/9/01 (ND 62, USC 49) — 27 turnovers*

An Irish player had

25 points was on 2/19/02 — Alicia Ratay (31) vs. West Virginia (ND 72-63)*
 30 points was on 2/19/02 — Alicia Ratay (31) vs. West Virginia (ND 72-63)*
 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 1/29/02 — Jacqueline Batteast (15) vs. Syracuse (ND 71-46)*
 20 rebounds was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DU 80-77)
 10 assists was on 1/15/01 — Niele Ivey (10) vs. Connecticut (ND 92-76)*
 5 blocks was on 2/10/02 — Amanda Barksdale (11) vs. Boston College (ND 60-44)* (**school record**)
 5 steals was on 1/29/02 — Le'Tania Severe (5) vs. Syracuse (ND 71-46)*
 a "double-double" was on 2/13/02 — Katy Flecky (12 pts., 10 reb.) & Alicia Ratay (14 pts., 10 reb.) vs. St. John's (ND 66-31)*
 a "triple-double" was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17 pts., 12 reb., 10 asst.) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)*
 20 pts & 10 rebs was on 2/2/02 — Jacqueline Batteast (21 pts., 12 reb.) at Seton Hall (ND 65-60)
 20 pts & 20 rebs was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25 pts., 20 reb.) at DePaul (DU 80-77)

An opposing player had

25 points was on 2/16/02 — Mauri Horton (25), Rutgers (ND 57-52)
 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 2/16/02 — Davalyn Cunningham (12), Rutgers (ND 57-52)
 15 rebounds was on 3/30/01 — Kelly Schumacher (17), Connecticut (ND 90-75) (*NCAA National Semifinal at St. Louis, Mo.*)
 20 rebounds was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)
 10 assists was on 2/17/01 — Tasha Pointer (10), Rutgers (RU 54-53)
 5 blocks was on 2/7/01 — Bettina Love (6), Pittsburgh (ND 72-58)*
 5 steals was on 2/16/02 — Davalyn Cunningham (6), Rutgers (ND 57-52)
 a "double-double" was on 2/16/02 — Davalyn Cunningham (10 pts., 12 reb.), Rutgers (ND 57-52)
 a "triple-double" was on 1/24/89 — Diana Vines (23 pts., 11 reb., 12 stl.), DePaul (DU 83-62)
 20 pts & 10 rebs was on 12/6/01 — Mary Jo Noon (21 pts., 13 reb.), Purdue (PU 70-57)

* denotes Notre Dame home game

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31 Amanda Barksdale Center, Junior, 6-3, Friendswood, TX (Clear Brook)

Has played in 22 games (19 starts) this season, averaging 16.5 minutes per game ... charting 3.7 points, 3.3 rebounds and 3.3 blocks per game ... missed first four games with a stress reaction in her right leg ... leads BIG EAST Conference and ranks fourth nationally in blocked shots (as of Feb. 18) ... tied for first in BIG EAST with 2.93 bpg. in league games ... has notched at least four blocks in 10 games ... nearly posted triple-double against Marquette, finishing with 10 points (tying her career high), eight rebounds and eight blocks ... made first career start against USC, tallying seven blocks (five in first half) ... also recorded 100th career block against USC, becoming fifth player in school history to reach century mark ... recorded six blocks at No. 1 Connecticut ... tallied school-record 11 rejections (seven in second half alone) and added seven rebounds in career-high 31 minutes against Boston College ... swatted four shots against St. John's and West Virginia ... tallied eight points and seven rebounds at Georgetown ... BC blocked shot performance is the third-best in nation this year, while Marquette outing tied for ninth-best in country in 2001-02 ... ranks second in school history with 164 rejections and 1.93 blocks per game in 85 career contests.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	10 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	10, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 12/22/01)
Field Goals	5 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	Same
Free Throws	3 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02	4, twice (MR: vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01)
Rebounds	8 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	11 vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01
Assists	2, three times (MR: at G'town, 2/23/02)	2, five times (MR: at Georgetown, 2/23/02)
Steals	1, four times (MR: vs. SJU, 2/13/02)	2, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/12/00)
Blocks	11* vs. Boston College, 2/10/02	Same
Minutes	31 vs. Boston College, 2/10/02	Same

* denotes school record

21 Jacqueline Batteast Forward, Freshman, 6-1, South Bend, IN (Washington)

Preseason BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Year ... Six-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Dec. 3, 10 & 17; Jan. 7 & 28; Feb. 11) ... has started 22 of 23 games for the Irish as a true freshman, averaging 28.6 minutes per game ... leads team in rebounding (8.5 rpg.) and ranks second on team in scoring (14.8 ppg.) and blocked shots (1.52 bpg.) ... ranks sixth in BIG EAST in scoring, second in rebounding, third in blocked shots, and tied for first in double-doubles (11) ... has scored in double figures in 19 games and owns six 20-point outings ... earned game-high rebounding honors 11 times and game-high scoring honors 10 times ... paired with Teresa Borton as the first rookie tandem to start a season opener in 20 years ... picked up her first career double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds at Colorado State ... notched double-double with 18 points and 12 rebounds against Army ... carded double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan ... despite missing most of first half with foul trouble, still logged her fourth double-double of year with 11 points and 12 rebounds against Marquette ... registered fifth double-double with 23 points (10-16 FG) and 10 rebounds at Rice ... recorded sixth double-double with 25 points and 14 rebounds vs. DePaul ... compiled seventh double-double with 12 points and 13 rebounds in BIG EAST opener at Miami ... scored career-high 26 points and bagged nine rebounds vs. Providence ... notched 14 points and three blocks at both Villanova and Providence ... equalled career best with 26 points vs. Virginia Tech, scoring 13 of the first 15 Irish points in the contest ... collected eighth double-double (first since Miami game) with 10 points and career-high 15 rebounds, along with career-best six assists against Syracuse ... chalked up ninth double-dip after coming off the bench to notch game highs of 21 points and 12 rebounds at Seton Hall ... earned 10th double-double with 16 points and game-best 12 boards while tying career high with 39 minutes played at Pittsburgh ... compiled her 11th double-double (fourth in

as many games) with game highs of 18 points and 10 rebounds in victory over Boston College ... has missed last three games and will miss Villanova contest after suffering a partially torn posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) in her right knee in the first half against St. John's.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	26, twice (MR: vs. Virginia Tech, 1/26/02)
Field Goals	10, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
3-pt Field Goals	3 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Free Throws	11 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Rebounds	15 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02
Assists	6, twice (MR: vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02)
Steals	5 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocks	4 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Minutes	39, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/02)

12 Teresa Borton Center, Freshman, 6-3, Yakima, WA (West Valley)

Has played in all 26 games for the Irish, starting six as a true freshman and averaging 21 minutes per outing ... carding 6.1 points and 5.1 rebounds per game, ranking fifth on team in scoring and third in rebounding ... averaging 6.7 ppg. and shooting a team-best .560 (42-75) in BIG EAST games ... joined Jacqueline Batteast as the first freshman duo to start a season opener for Notre Dame in 20 years ... nearly posted a double-double in her first college game, finishing with game highs of 14 points and nine rebounds against Valparaiso ... almost had double-double at Colorado State, tallying nine points and eight rebounds .. matched season high with nine rebounds vs. Army ... hauled in seven rebounds against Western Michigan ... came off bench to score eight points against DePaul ... added seven points and four rebounds at Miami ... made first seven shots from field and finished with career-high 20 points (9-11 FG) against Providence ... tied BIG EAST rookie record by going 7-of-7 from the field (15 points) vs. Seton Hall ... collected first career double-double with 11 points, career-high 10 rebounds and career-best four assists at Providence ... registered two blocks against Virginia Tech ... scored eight points (3-3 FG) and blocked two more shots vs. Syracuse ... added six points and seven rebounds (six offensive) at Seton Hall ... carded second double-double with 10 points and career-best 10 boards, as well as a career-high four blocks at Pittsburgh ... grabbed seven rebounds at Rutgers.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	20 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Field Goals	9 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throws	4 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	10, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/02)
Assists	4 at Providence, 1/19/02
Steals	2 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02
Blocks	4 at Pittsburgh, 2/5/02
Minutes	34 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01

44 Allison Bustamante Guard, Freshman, 6-0, Miami, FL (Our Lady of Lourdes)

Has appeared in 20 games (two starts), averaging 11.6 minutes per outing ... notching 4.9 points and 2.0 rebounds per game ... owns top three-point percentage (.450) on team ... tallied six points and four rebounds in 14 minutes against Army ... also drilled first career three-point field goal against Army ... missed next four games (Dec. 2-12) after suffering high right ankle sprain in practice Nov. 28 ... made impressive comeback from injury with six points (2-of-3 from three-point line) and four rebounds against Marquette ... had successful outing in return to her hometown of Miami, scoring eight points and hitting two clutch three-pointers against the Hurricanes ... notched 11 points vs. Seton Hall ... set (then) career highs with 12 points, five rebounds and 31 minutes played at Providence ... saw extensive time

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as point guard at Connecticut ... made first career start vs. Virginia Tech ... erupted for career highs of 21 points (8-14 FG, 5-10 3FG) and five rebounds in win over Syracuse — hit four of her five treys in five-minute stretch of first half ... made only three-point attempt in second career start at Seton Hall — also was part of first Notre Dame freshman trio (along with Katy Flecky and Kelsey Wicks) in 20 years to break into starting lineup ... collected 14 points in win at Georgetown.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	21 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02
Field Goals	8 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02
3-pt Field Goals	5 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02
Free Throws	3, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/02)
Rebounds	5, twice (MR: vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02)
Assists	2, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 2/23/02)
Steals	2, twice (MR: at Connecticut, 1/21/02)
Blocks	2 at Providence, 1/19/02
Minutes	31 at Providence, 1/19/02

33 Katy Flecky Forward, Freshman, 6-2, Lone Tree, CO (Highlands Ranch)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Feb. 25) ... Has appeared in 23 games (four starts) for Notre Dame, averaging 14 minutes per game ... tallying 4.8 points and 3.3 rebounds per game ... had solid return to home state with six points and eight rebounds at Colorado State ... carded nine points and six rebounds in season-best 28 minutes at Arizona ... chalked up seven points (3-5 FG) and six rebounds in win over Marquette ... tossed in nine points and led team with career-high four assists vs. DePaul ... scored seven points against Seton Hall ... tallied eight points vs. Syracuse ... made first career start at Seton Hall, scoring nine points (4-6 FG), including first seven Irish points of contest ... joined Allison Bustamante and Kelsey Wicks as first Notre Dame freshman trio in starting lineup in two decades ... recorded her first career double-double against St. John's, registering 12 points and a career-high 10 rebounds ... logged eight points (6-8 FT) and six rebounds vs. West Virginia ... carded career-high 14 points (6-9 FG) at Georgetown ... has started last three games in place of injured Jacqueline Batteast, averaging 8.7 ppg.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	14 at Georgetown, 2/23/02
Field Goals	6 at Georgetown, 2/23/02
Free Throws	6 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02
Rebounds	10 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02
Assists	4 vs. DePaul, 12/31/01
Steals	2, three times (MR: vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02)
Blocks	2 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01
Minutes	28, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 2/23/02)

3 Ericka Haney Guard/Forward, Senior, 6-0, Toledo, OH (Central Catholic)

Preseason second-team all-BIG EAST pick ... has appeared in all 26 games this season, starting 21 times and averaging 21.7 minutes per game ... logging 6.6 points and 4.5 rebounds per contest ... only captain for Notre Dame in 2001-02, just the second solo captain for the Irish in the Muffet McGraw era ... charted six points and five rebounds in season-opening win over Valparaiso ... corralled game-high nine rebounds at Arizona ... had seven points and six rebounds against Army ... rang up eight points at Purdue ... came off bench to card six points, six rebounds and season-high two blocks against USC ... picked up first double-double of season (and sixth of career) with 12 points and a season-high 10 rebounds against Western Michigan ... collected seven rebounds (four offensive) and season-high three assists at Rice ... returned to starting lineup against DePaul and grabbed six rebounds ... added eight points (4-5 FG) and six boards against Seton Hall ... compiled nine points and seven rebounds at Villanova ... logged 10 points and five rebounds against Syracuse ... chipped in with seven points and six rebounds off the bench at Seton Hall ... contributed 11 points (5-8 FG) vs. Boston College ... came up with 14 points and career-best four steals in win over St. John's ... added

10 points and season-high two blocks in key road win at Rutgers ... registered season highs of 15 points in 37 minutes vs. West Virginia ... notched 13 points at Georgetown ... averaging 10.5 ppg. over her last eight games.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	15 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02	21 vs. Marquette, 12/21/00
Field Goals	6 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	10 vs. Marquette, 12/21/00
Free Throws	7 at Georgetown, 2/23/02	7, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 2/23/02)
Rebounds	10 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	14 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Assists	3 at Rice, 12/28/01	5 vs. Georgia, 11/24/00
Steals	4 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02	4, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/13/02)
Blocks	2, twice (MR: at Rutgers, 2/16/02)	3, twice (MR: vs. Miami, 2/22/00)
Minutes	37 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02	39 vs. Rutgers, 2/17/01

5 Jeneka Joyce Guard, Sophomore, 5-9, Topeka, KS (Washburn Rural)

Has played in 20 games (eight starts) for Notre Dame, averaging 17.1 minutes per outing ... logging 3.8 points and 1.6 rebounds per game ... has made 16 three-point field goals, one of five Irish players with at least 10 treys this season ... tallied seven points and three assists in win over Army ... poured in season-high 11 points on 4-of-8 shooting (including three three-point field goals) against Michigan ... tossed down nine points and three more treys at Purdue ... made first career start against USC, hitting all three of her shots and finishing with seven points in a career-high 33 minutes ... grabbed career-high four rebounds vs. Marquette ... notched nine points and added season highs of four rebounds and four assists in BIG EAST opener at Miami ... missed six of last nine games (including Georgetown) with strained left Achilles' tendon ... returned to action vs. Boston College, scoring six points on two three-point field goals ... tallied five points and two assists at Rutgers ... tied for seventh in Irish history with a .377 three-point percentage (46-122).

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	11 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01	14 vs. Michigan, 3/19/01
Field Goals	4 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01	5, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 3/19/01)
3-pt Field Goals	3, twice (MR: at Purdue, 12/6/01)	4 vs. Michigan, 3/19/01
Free Throws	3 at Miami, 1/2/02	3, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)
Rebounds	4, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)	Same
Assists	4 at Miami, 1/2/02	5 vs. Georgetown, 3/4/01
Steals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3, three times
Blocks	None	1, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 3/19/01)
Minutes	33 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same

10 Jill Krause Guard, Freshman, 5-8, Glenview, IL (Regina Dominican)

Has played in 10 games for the Irish this season, averaging 0.4 points and 0.3 rebounds per game ... made first collegiate appearance against Army, grabbing two rebounds ... dished out first career assist vs. DePaul ... scored first career points on first career basket against Seton Hall ... picked up an assist in win over Syracuse ... knocked down two throws vs. St. John's ... had assist at Georgetown.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	2, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/13/02)
Field Goals	1 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
3-pt Field Goals	None
Free Throws	2 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02
Rebounds	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Assists	1, four times (MR: at Georgetown, 2/23/02)
Steals	None
Blocks	None
Minutes	6 vs. Army, 11/26/01

22 Alicia Ratay Guard, Junior, 6-0, Lake Zurich, IL (Lake Zurich)

Preseason Naismith Award candidate ... **preseason first-team all-BIG EAST selection** ... **BIG EAST Player of the Week (Feb. 18 & 25)** ... **Verizon Academic All-District V Second Team pick** ... only player to start all 26 games for Notre

Dame, averaging a team-high 33.7 minutes per game ... leads team in scoring (14.9 ppg.) and free throw percentage (.874), second in rebounding (5.6 rpg.) and three-point percentage (.430), and third in assists (1.6 apg.) ... also has made a team-high 49 three-point field goals ... ranks first in BIG EAST (24th in nation) in free throw percentage, third in scoring and 10th in three-point field goals made (1.88 per game) ... has also been solid in BIG EAST play, ranking second in scoring (16.5 ppg.) and free throw percentage (.871), and 17th in rebounding (5.9 rpg.) ... has scored in double figures in 21 games this season (six 20-point games and one 30-point game), earning game-high scoring honors nine times ... nearly came up with a double-double in the season opener against Valparaiso, finishing with 11 points and nine rebounds while playing all 40 minutes ... rang up a game-high 16 points (6-7 FT) at Colorado State ... connected for team-best 19 points (3-5 from three-point range) and added seven rebounds at Arizona ... canned 4-of-6 three-point attempts and scored 12 points in victory over Army ... scored 19 points and grabbed seven rebounds against Michigan ... became 19th Notre Dame player to score 1,000 career points with her 12-point night at Purdue (currently ranks 10th on ND career list with 1,301 points) ... posted 16 points and tied for team lead with season-high four assists against DePaul ... erupted for 23 points and tied career high with seven three-point field goals at Miami — seven treys also equals most by BIG EAST player this season ... registered 22 points at Villanova ... scored 22 points (19 in second half) against Virginia Tech — also banked in 48-foot heave at halftime horn to give Irish six-point lead and momentum swing against Hokies ... dumped in game-high 21 points (4-7 3FG, 7-8 FT) with eight rebounds at Pittsburgh ... registered her first double-double of the season (and fourth of her career) with 14 points and a season-high 10 rebounds against St. John's ... rang up 25 points at Rutgers, hitting 10-of-15 shots from the field — scored 16 of her points in second half ... poured in season-high 31 points vs. West Virginia, hitting career-best 11-of-13 free throws in 40 minutes ... notched 24 points (20 in the second half) at Georgetown ... averaging 26.7 ppg. and shooting .558 (24-43) from floor in her last three games.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	31 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02	32 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Field Goals	10 at Rutgers, 2/16/02	12 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
3-pt Field Goals	7 at Miami, 1/2/02	7, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)
Free Throws	11 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02	Same
Rebounds	10 vs. St. John's, 2/13/02	12 vs. St. John's, 2/12/00
Assists	4, three times (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)	7 vs. Butler, 12/1/99
Steals	3, four times (MR: at G'town, 2/23/02)	5 at Florida International, 12/19/99
Blocks	1, five times (MR: vs. WVU, 2/19/02)	2, twice (MR: vs. Boston College, 2/3/01)
Minutes	40, twice (MR: vs. W. Virginia, 2/19/02)	44 at Rutgers, 2/19/00

4 Le'Tania Severe
Guard, Sophomore, 5-8, Pembroke Pines, FL (Ft. Lauderdale)

Has appeared in all 26 games (20 starts) at point guard, playing 29.4 minutes per night ... tied for third on team with 6.6 points per game and leads squad with 5.1 assists per outing, ranking seventh in BIG EAST in latter category ... also tied for ninth in conference in steals (1.96 spg.) and 13th in assist/turnover ratio (1.27) ... has scored in double figures seven times, the first double-digit outings of her career ... picked up game-high assist honors 18 times and handed out five-or-more assists in 15 games ... made first career start in season opener vs. Valparaiso, tallying seven points, six rebounds, four assists and two blocks ... cracked double figures for first time with 15 points on 6-of-12 shooting (including trio of three-point field goals) at Colorado State ... added 12 points (8-10 FT) and six assists at Arizona ... chipped in with 13 points vs. Army ... dished out six assists against Michigan ... added eight rebounds and eight assists in career-high 37 minutes at Purdue ... notched new career highs with 17 points and five steals against USC ... distributed eight assists against Western Michigan ... scored 10 points (6-6 FT) at Rice ... came off bench for first time this season against Providence, responding with five points and six assists ... added seven assists in reserve role vs. Seton Hall ... scored 13 points as substitute at Providence ... dealt a game-high seven assists in 25 minutes off the bench at Connecticut ... distributed six assists vs. Virginia Tech

... charted career-high nine assists with one turnover and career-best five steals against Syracuse ... added five assists while tying career high with 37 minutes played at Seton Hall ... recorded five handouts at Pittsburgh ... scored nine points and grabbed six rebounds vs. Boston College ... scored seven points and dealt six assists in victory over St. John's ... carded 12 points and career-high nine rebounds in 37 minutes vs. West Virginia ... distributed eight assists with only one turnover at Georgetown.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	17 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same
Field Goals	6, twice (MR: vs. USC, 12/9/01)	Same
3-pt Field Goals	3 at Colorado State, 11/21/01	Same
Free Throws	8 at Arizona, 11/24/01	Same
Rebounds	9 vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02	Same
Assists	9 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02	Same
Steals	5, twice (MR: vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02)	Same
Blocks	2, three times (MR: vs. WVU, 2/19/02)	Same
Minutes	37, four times (MR: at G'town, 2/23/02)	Same

11 Karen Swanson
Guard, Junior, 5-8, Westlake, OH (Westlake)

Has played in 13 games (one start) this season, averaging 0.9 ppg. and 0.5 rpg. ... made first appearance of year against Army, matching her career high with five points in seven minutes ... played six minutes against DePaul ... logged two points and career-high two assists in season-high nine minutes against Seton Hall ... picked up three points (3-4 FT) and two rebounds vs. Syracuse ... earned first career start at Seton Hall, grabbing two rebounds ... canned short jumper for her only points in win over St. John's.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	5 vs. Army, 11/26/01	5, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Field Goals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	2, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
3-pt Field Goals	None	1, three times (MR: at West Va., 1/24/01)
Free Throws	3 vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02	3, three times (MR: vs. Syracuse, 1/29/02)
Rebounds	2, three times (MR: at Seton Hall, 2/2/02)	3 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00
Assists	2 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02	Same
Steals	None	2, twice (MR: vs. Providence, 2/1/01)
Blocks	None	None
Minutes	9 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02	11 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00

24 Kelsey Wicks
Guard, Freshman, 6-2, Gillette, WY (Campbell County)

Has played in 25 games (one start) for the Irish this season, averaging 14.8 minutes per contest ... tallying 4.7 points and 3.4 rebounds per game ... carded nine points and sank first career three-point field goal at Arizona ... tallied eight points, including two three-point field goals, and pulled down four rebounds against DePaul ... added nine points against Providence ... charted eight points and career-best 10 rebounds in career-high 27 minutes vs. Seton Hall ... made career-high three three-point field goals and carded nine points at Providence ... poured in career-best 16 points (7-14 FG) at top-ranked Connecticut ... buried back-to-back treys 33 seconds apart in first half and corralled game-high eight rebounds to spark Irish win over Virginia Tech ... made first career start at Seton Hall, scoring five points — teamed with Allison Bustamante and Katy Flecky to form Notre Dame's first freshman starting trio in 20 years ... notched six points at Rutgers and made 4-of-4 free throws in the final 10 seconds to preserve a key road win for the Irish.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	16 at Connecticut, 1/21/02
Field Goals	7 at Connecticut, 1/21/02
3-pt Field Goals	3 at Providence, 1/19/02
Free Throws	4, twice (MR: at Rutgers, 2/16/02)
Rebounds	10 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
Assists	1, nine times (MR: vs. West Virginia, 2/19/02)
Steals	2, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/13/02)
Blocks	1, twice (MR: at Seton Hall, 2/2/02)
Minutes	27, twice (MR: at Connecticut, 1/21/02)

NOTRE DAME VS. VILLANOVA

Notre Dame 72, West Virginia 63
 Feb. 19, 2002
 Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

West Virginia (63)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Carson	29	1-3	0-0	0-0	7	0	5	2
White	21	1-3	0-0	0-5	6	1	5	2
Paige	40	6-11	0-0	2-2	2	8	1	14
Sowho	31	4-14	2-5	3-3	3	1	5	13
Bulger	40	6-16	3-6	2-3	3	1	3	17
Bogan	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Fisher	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Horvath	6	0-1	0-0	1-2	1	0	0	1
Batch	26	4-12	0-0	6-8	6	1	4	14
Team					7			
Totals	200	22-61	5-11	14-23	35	13	24	63

Notre Dame (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	37	5-14	0-0	5-5	6	0	3	15
Flecky	22	1-2	0-0	6-8	6	0	1	8
Barksdale	23	0-2	0-0	0-1	6	1	1	0
Severe	37	4-11	0-0	4-6	9	4	4	12
Ratay	40	8-17	4-9	11-13	6	2	2	31
Borton	16	1-2	0-0	0-0	6	0	2	2
Wicks	16	1-6	1-5	1-2	3	1	1	4
Bustamante	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	3	0
Team					5			
Totals	200	20-54	5-14	27-35	47	9	17	72

West Virginia 26 37 -- 63
 Notre Dame 34 38 -- 72

FG Pct: Notre Dame 37.0, West Virginia 36.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 35.7, West Virginia 45.5. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 77.1, West Virginia 60.9.
Turnovers: Notre Dame 17, West Virginia 14. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 9 (Barksdale 4), West Virginia 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 9 (Severe 4), West Virginia 9. **Attendance:** 7,709.

Notre Dame 86, Georgetown 66
 Feb. 23, 2002
 McDonough Arena (Washington, D.C.)

Notre Dame (86)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	22	3-8	0-0	7-8	5	1	3	13
Flecky	28	6-9	0-0	2-5	7	1	4	14
Barksdale	19	3-5	0-0	2-2	7	2	4	8
Severe	37	2-4	0-0	3-6	6	8	2	7
Ratay	38	6-11	4-7	8-8	7	0	0	24
Krause	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Swanson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Borton	17	3-4	0-0	0-0	4	0	5	6
Wicks	8	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	0
Bustamante	29	5-11	3-8	1-2	3	2	2	14
Team					5			
Totals	200	28-52	7-15	23-33	46	15	21	86

Georgetown (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Duany	35	3-10	0-0	15-19	3	2	2	21
Brunson	32	4-9	0-1	5-8	9	1	3	13
Lisicky	39	4-11	3-8	0-0	2	5	4	11
Charles	36	1-4	1-1	0-0	5	4	4	3
Walker	37	3-13	1-4	0-0	2	3	5	7
Besozzi	6	2-5	0-0	2-2	3	0	2	6
Horvath	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Belton	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Bendegue	9	2-5	0-0	1-1	3	0	2	5
Jackson	2	0-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	19-60	5-16	23-30	31	15	24	66

Notre Dame 37 49 -- 86
 Georgetown 38 28 -- 66

FG Pct: Notre Dame 53.8, Georgetown 31.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 46.7, Georgetown 31.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 69.7, Georgetown 76.7.
Turnovers: Notre Dame 12, Georgetown 8. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 4 (Barksdale 3), Georgetown 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 5 (Ratay 3), Georgetown 8 (Walker 4). **Attendance:** 1,017.