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Women's Basketball 2008-09

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2008-09 ND Women's Basketball: Game #2

#15/15 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (1-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST) vs. Evansville Purple Aces (1-0 / 0-0 MVC)

- ◆ **DATE:** November 19, 2008
- ◆ **TIME:** 7:00 p.m. ET
- ◆ **AT:** Notre Dame, Ind.
Joyce Center (11,418)
- ◆ **SERIES:** ND leads 18-1
- ◆ **1ST MTG:** ND 77-56 (1/27/84)
- ◆ **LAST MTG:** ND 89-62 (2/12/94)
- ◆ **RADIO:** Pulse FM (96.9/92.1)
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2008-09 Schedule

1-0 / 0-0 BIG EAST

N5	Gannon (exhibition)	W, 96-30
N16	(16/14) @ LSU (24/22) ^{1-ESPN2}	W, 62-53
N19	Evansville	7:00 ET
N23	@ Boston College	2:00 ET
N25	Georgia Southern	7:00 ET
N29	Michigan State	2:00 ET
D2	@ Eastern Michigan	7:00 ET
D7	Purdue	2:00 ET
D10	@ Michigan ^{BTN}	7:00 ET
D13	@ Valparaiso	1:35 CT
D20	Loyola-Chicago	2:00 ET
D28	@ Charlotte ^{ESPNJ}	2:00 ET
D30	@ Vanderbilt	7:00 CT
J3	• @ Seton Hall	Noon ET
J6	• @ DePaul ^{CBS CS}	8:00 CT
J10	• Georgetown	7:00 ET
J13	• @ Marquette ^{CBS CS}	8:00 CT
J17	• St. John's	2:00 ET
J24	• @ Villanova	2:00 ET
J27	• Rutgers ^{CBS CS}	8:00 ET
J31	• Cincinnati	2:00 ET
F3	• @ Pittsburgh	7:00 ET
F8	• DePaul ^{ESPNJ}	2:00 ET
F11	• Louisville	7:00 ET
F17	• @ South Florida	7:00 ET
F22	• @ Connecticut ^{ESPNJ}	2:00 ET
F24	• Syracuse	7:00 ET
F28	• @ Providence	2:00 ET
M2	• West Virginia	3:30 ET
M6	BIG EAST 1st Round ²	TBA
M7	BIG EAST 2nd Round ^{2-BETV}	TBA
M8	BIG EAST Quarterfinal ^{2-ESPNJ}	TBA
M9	BIG EAST Semifinal ^{2-ESPNJ}	6/8:00 ET
M10	BIG EAST Final ^{2-ESPN}	7:00 ET
M22	NCAA 1st Round ^{3-ESPN/ESPN2}	TBA
M24	NCAA 2nd Round ^{3-ESPN/ESPN2}	TBA
M28	NCAA Regional Semifinal ^{4-ESPN}	TBA
M29	NCAA Regional Semifinal ^{4-ESPN}	TBA
M30	NCAA Regional Final ^{4-ESPN}	TBA
M31	NCAA Regional Final ^{4-ESPN}	TBA
A5	NCAA National Semifinals ^{5-ESPN}	TBA
A7	NCAA Championship Game ^{5-ESPN}	TBA

Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame is 23-8 (.742) all-time in home openers, including an active 13-game winning streak that mirrors the program's membership in the BIG EAST Conference.
- ◆ The Irish have not faced Evansville since the 1993-94 season, which was the freshman campaign for a pair of future Notre Dame All-Americans — **Beth Morgan** and **Katryna Gaither**.

After one of the more significant season-opening wins in the program's storied history, No. 15 Notre Dame steps onto the Joyce Center hardwood for the first time in the 2008-09 regular season when it plays host to Evansville Wednesday at 7 p.m. (ET). The Irish and Purple Aces were conference rivals for a decade in the mid-1980s and will look to rekindle some of the old magic this week.

Notre Dame opened the regular season this past Sunday with a strong 62-53 win at No. 24/22 LSU in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic. The Irish led virtually all the way, pulling clear with a 14-4 run to start the second half and going on to hand the Lady Tigers their first home-opening loss in 27 years.

Junior guard **Ashley Barlow** scored 14 of her game-high 19 points in the second half to lead three Irish players in double figures.

Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is ranked 15th in the current editions of both the Associated Press poll and ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll.
- ◆ Evansville is not ranked.

Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.UND.com>
- ◆ Evansville: <http://www.gopurpleaces.com>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>
- ◆ MVC: <http://www.mvc-sports.com>

Setting The Standard

Under the guidance of 22nd-year head coach **Muffet McGraw**, Notre Dame has evolved into one of the country's leading women's basketball powers. The Irish have appeared in 15 NCAA Tournaments (including a current streak of 13 in a row) and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 seven times in the past 12 years. Notre Dame also has reached the NCAA Women's Final Four twice, winning college basketball's ultimate prize with the 2001 national championship.

In its history, Notre Dame has developed nine All-Americans, 10 WNBA players (including seven draft picks in the past eight years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 32nd season in 2008-09, the Irish own an all-time record of **639-287 (.690)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

Saint Joseph's '77

- ◆ 22nd season at Notre Dame
 - 475-188 (.716) at Notre Dame.
 - 563-228 (.712) in 27 years as head coach.

NOTES

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

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup (c = captain)

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
32	Becca Bruszewski	F	6-1	So.	6.0	3.0	2.0 spg	• Made 1st career start in win at LSU
52	Erica Williamson	C	6-4	Jr.	2.0	4.0	1.0 apg	• 8th ND history in blocks per gm (1.17)
20	Ashley Barlow (C)	G	5-9	Jr.	19.0	5.0	2.0 spg	• 14 of game-high 19 pts at LSU in 2nd half
23	Melissa Lechlittner (C)	G	5-7	Jr.	2.0	5.0	5.0 apg	• 4 assists/1 turnover in 2nd half at LSU
24	Lindsay Schrader (C)	G	6-0	Sr.	13.0	6.0	3.0 spg	• Shared team-high rebounding honors at LSU

Off The Bench For The Irish

1	Erica Solomon	F	6-2	Fr.	6.0	2.0	1.0 bpg	• 11 min. at LSU in college debut (6 pts)
10	Kellie Watson	F	6-2	Fr.	0.0	0.0	0.0 apg	• 2008 Michigan Miss Basketball
12	Fraderica Miller	G	5-10	Fr.	0.0	0.0	0.0 apg	• Second-team all-state in Ga. last year
14	Devereaux Peters	F	6-2	So.	12.0	6.0	3.0 bpg	• 12 pts (6-7 FG) in 28 min at LSU
21	Natalie Novosel	G	5-11	Fr.	2.0	2.0	0.0 apg	• 2,000 pts/1,000 rebs during prep career
22	Brittany Mallory	G	5-10	So.	—	—	—	• 2008 BIG EAST All-Freshman Team pick

Pronunciations: Bruszewski (broo-SHEFF-skee); Fraderica (fruh-DARE-uh-kuh); Lechlittner (LECK-light-ner); Novosel (KNOW-vuh-sell)

(x) = numbers before opponent name indicate ND rank in AP/ESPN-USA Today polls; numbers after are opponent rank.

- = BIG EAST Conference game
- 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)
- 2 = BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn.)
- 3 = NCAA First/Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind.)
- 4 = Regionals to be played at: Berkeley (Calif.), Oklahoma City, Raleigh (N.C.) and Trenton (N.J.)
- 5 = NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo.)

ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised on ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU
CBS CS = Game to be televised on CBS College Sports
BETV = Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package
BTN = Game to be televised on Big Ten Network
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A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

Following two seasons of impressive growth and development, Notre Dame has constructed a firm foundation upon which to build its next championship contender. The Irish enter the 2008-09 season on the heels of a seventh trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 and a highly-competitive effort in that regional semifinal that has players, coaches and followers optimistic that even greater success may be on the horizon.

Notre Dame has three starters and seven monogram winners returning this season from a squad that ranked among the top 10 in the country in scoring offense (8th - 76.2 ppg) and scoring margin (10th - +14.6 ppg) a year ago. The Irish also have many of the pieces back from the '07-08 club that led the BIG EAST in steals for the second consecutive year (school-record 397, 11.68 per game) and forced an opponent-record 737 turnovers.

Perhaps it's no surprise that Notre Dame's present upward mobility has coincided with the arrival of its current junior class, including guards and co-captains **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitner**. Barlow earned honorable mention all-BIG EAST status last year and is the team's top returning scorer (12.1 ppg), while also setting the defensive tone with a team-high 68 steals last season. Meanwhile, Lechlitner (5.5 ppg, 2.6 ppg) assumes the mantle of leadership from the point guard position after two consistent years as a reliable understudy to Tulyah Gaines.

The Irish also should benefit from the veteran

experience and guidance of senior guard and co-captain **Lindsay Schrader**, who joined Barlow on last year's BIG EAST honorable mention squad after logging 10.3 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game. She earned similar status this fall in preseason voting by the conference coaches and gives Notre Dame a unique blend of toughness and determination that has become the common thread running through the team's recent resurgence.

The Irish sophomore class proved to be an exceptional complement to their predecessors last season, led by forward **Devereaux Peters** (9.0 ppg, 5.6 rpg, 2.0 bpg), who was a BIG EAST All-Freshman Team choice despite missing the final 11 games of the year with a knee injury. Guard **Brittany Mallory** (6.3 ppg, 34 3FG) joined Peters on the conference's all-rookie squad, while forward **Becca Bruszewski** (5.0 ppg, 2.5 rpg) may be the team's most improved player heading into this season after a scintillating three-game NCAA Tournament performance that included a season-high 16 points against both SMU and Tennessee.

Potent Notables About The Irish

- Notre Dame is among the nation's winningest programs during the past 12 seasons (1996-97 to present), ranking seventh with 293 victories.
- For the eighth consecutive year, Notre Dame ranked among the nation's Top 20 in attendance, placing ninth in 2007-08 with an average of 7,016 fans to its 16 home games (including three of the top six crowds in school history and two sellouts). The Irish also have drawn 5,000-or-more fans to 110 of their last 112 home games, including five Joyce Center sellouts of 11,418 (most recently on Jan. 27, 2008 vs. Connecticut).
- The Irish have become a regular fixture in the WNBA Draft in recent years, as seven Notre Dame players have been selected in the past eight seasons. **Charel Allen** was the most recent Irish player to be chosen, going to the Sacramento Monarchs in the third round (43rd overall pick) of the 2008 WNBA Draft. **Allen**, **Megan Duffy** (New York) and **Ruth Riley** (San Antonio) all were active in the league during the '08 season, with all three teams making the playoffs (San Antonio made the WNBA Finals, while New York was the Eastern Conference runner-up). Three of Notre Dame's eight WNBA alums have won a total of four league championships — Riley won a pair of crowns with the Detroit Shock (2003 Finals MVP, 2006), **Coquese Washington** toiled for the 2000 Houston Comets, while **Jacqueline Batteast** was Riley's teammate on the '06 title-winning squad in Detroit.
- For the third year in a row, the Irish posted a perfect 100-percent Graduation Success Rate (GSR), according to figures released by

Winningest Teams (1996-97 to present)

397	Connecticut
389	Tennessee
347	Duke
318	Louisiana Tech
316	Old Dominion
305	Purdue
◆293	NOTRE DAME
288	UC Santa Barbara
276	Texas Tech

LAST IRISH GAME

#16/14 Notre Dame 62, #24/22 LSU 53
State Farm Tip-Off Classic
 November 16, 2008
 Pete Maravich Assembly Center (Baton Rouge, La.)

Notre Dame (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	19	1-3	0-0	4-4	3	0	4	6
Williamson	19	0-3	0-0	2-3	4	1	3	2
Barlow	35	7-13	2-4	3-4	5	0	2	19
Lechlitner	36	1-6	0-0	0-0	5	5	0	2
Schrader	33	5-12	0-0	3-5	6	1	2	13
Solomon	11	1-3	0-0	4-6	2	0	3	6
Watson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Miller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Peters	28	6-7	0-0	0-3	6	2	2	12
Novosel	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	2
Team					5			
Totals	200	21-47	2-4	18-27	38	9	17	62

LSU (53)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Morris	14	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	2
Barrett	23	1-6	0-0	4-6	4	0	1	6
Graham	29	0-5	0-1	0-0	9	2	5	0
Hughes	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	1	3	0
Hightower	30	3-12	0-1	0-0	1	3	3	6
Eason	24	2-5	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	4
Riley	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kelly	16	2-3	0-0	6-6	1	0	0	10
Jones	17	4-9	0-1	0-0	2	1	1	8
Dunning	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	1	2
Black	7	2-2	0-0	3-5	3	0	1	7
Turnbow	20	3-6	0-0	2-2	3	1	1	8
Team					5			
Totals	200	18-53	0-4	17-21	32	10	19	53

Notre Dame	24	38	-	62
LSU	24	29	-	53

FG Pct: Notre Dame 44.7, LSU 34.0. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 50.0, LSU 0.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, LSU 81.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 21, LSU 18. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 4 (Peters 3), LSU 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 12 (Schrader, Peters 3), LSU 11 (Hightower 4). **Attendance:** 7,954.

Covering the Irish

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Media Services

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

Official Notre Dame athletics web site:

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

In-Season Interview Policy

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

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

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

Credentials / Parking

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

For single-game credentials, contact **Chris Masters** no later than 24 hours before tipoff. Credential requests may be submitted via phone, fax or e-mail. Passes will be left at the media will call entrance (Gate 1) of the Joyce Center.

Parking is free for all Irish women's basketball games in the large lot south of the Joyce Center. Due to construction in the vicinity of the arena, there are no designated parking lots or specific parking passes for media members.

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

Game Notes

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

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

Gameday Services

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

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

Post-Game Interviews

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Hammes Basketball Auditorium, located between Gates 1 & 2 on the first floor of the Joyce Center (exit floor via Gate 1 ramp to right of press row, go straight and turn right at the Notre Dame women's basketball office; auditorium entrance will be on your left).

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





2008-09 Standings (through Nov. 18)

	BIG EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
South Florida	0	0	3	0
(9/10) Louisville	0	0	2	0
Marquette	0	0	2	0
(3/2) Rutgers	0	0	2	0
St. John's	0	0	2	0
Seton Hall	0	0	2	0
Syracuse	0	0	2	0
◆(15/15) NOTRE DAME	0	0	1	0
(1/1) Connecticut	0	0	1	0
Georgetown	0	0	1	0
DePaul	0	0	2	1
West Virginia	0	0	2	1
Cincinnati	0	0	1	1
Providence	0	0	1	1
Villanova	0	0	1	1
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	1

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

Player of the Week

Selections begin Nov. 24

Freshman of the Week

Selections begin Nov. 24

Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Wednesday, November 19

Evansville at Notre Dame	7:00p
Georgetown at Brown	7:00p
Syracuse at Ohio State	7:00p
Villanova at Pennsylvania	7:00p
Marquette at Indiana State	8:00p

Thursday, November 20

San Diego State at Connecticut (@Hartford)	7:00p
Pittsburgh at Western Michigan	7:00p

Friday, November 21

Seton Hall Classic (South Orange, N.J.)	
Wagner at Seton Hall	6:00p
DePaul Invitational (Chicago, Ill.)	
Southern at DePaul	8:30p
Rutgers at California	11:00p

Saturday, November 22

Louisville at Xavier	Noon
Seton Hall Classic (South Orange, N.J.)	
UMBC/Northern Illinois at Seton Hall	1/3:00p
Rhode Island at Connecticut (@Hartford)	1:00p
Portland State at Syracuse	1:00p
St. John's at Manhattan	2:00p
Central Michigan at Georgetown	3:00p
KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Classic (Iowa City, Iowa)	
Providence vs. Portland	3:30p
DePaul Invitational (Chicago, Ill.)	
Duke/Hartford at DePaul	6:30/8:30p
Florida International at West Virginia	7:00p

Sunday, November 23

KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Classic (Iowa City, Iowa)	
Providence at Iowa vs. Boston University	1/3:30p
Notre Dame at Boston College	2:00p
Toledo at Cincinnati	2:00p
Marquette at Western Michigan	2:00p
Coppin State at South Florida	2:00p
Rutgers at Stanford	4:00p

Monday, November 24

Penn State at Pittsburgh	7:00p
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• indicates BIG EAST Conference game
All times Eastern and subject to change



Around the BIG EAST

the NCAA in October 2008. Notre Dame also was one of only four teams with a perfect '07 GSR to advance to the 2008 NCAA Sweet 16 (joining Oklahoma State, Tennessee and Vanderbilt). Furthermore, since **Muffet McGraw** became the Irish head coach in 1987, every Notre Dame women's basketball player that has completed her athletic and academic eligibility at the University has graduated (a 57-for-57 success rate).

A Quick Look At Evansville

Although Evansville comes into this season with a new coach and a new offensive style, the building blocks remain the same for the Purple Aces. With three starters and 10 letterwinners returning from last year's Missouri Valley Conference regular-season co-champions (and postseason WNIT qualifiers), UE should be well-equipped to make another run in one of the nation's strongest mid-major conferences.

Evansville opened its season on a solid note last Saturday, taking down visiting East Tennessee State, 83-73, at Roberts Stadium. The game featured an interesting contrast, with the Purple Aces taking just 48 shots, but making 23 of them (a .479 percentage), and tacking on an 8-of-17 (.471) showing from the three-point line and a 29-for-40 (.725) effort at the charity stripe. Conversely, ETSU attempted 84 shots, but made only 29 (a .345 ratio), and was just 9-of-16 (.563) at the foul line.

Senior point guard **Ashley Austin** rolled up a double-double with 20 points and a team-high 10 rebounds, converting 13 of 16 free throws in the contest. Senior forward **Robyn Jennings** also scored a team-best 20 points and added eight rebounds, while making 5-of-7 shots from the field (3-of-4 from beyond the arc).

Sophomore guard/forward **Stephanie Bamberger** had a perfect shooting day with 13 points (4-4 FG, 3-3 3FG, 2-2 FT), while senior center **Shannon Novosel** was held largely in check, finishing with just nine points, but adding a team-high five assists out of the post.

First-year head coach **Misty Murphy** earned her initial victory at Evansville on Sunday following a three-year stint as an assistant coach at Rice. She does have seven seasons of prior head coaching experience at the small college level (Colorado State-Pueblo and Sheridan College) and owns a 109-65 (.626) career record. Murphy will be facing Notre Dame for the first time in her coaching tenure on Wednesday night.

The Notre Dame-Evansville Series

Notre Dame is 18-1 all-time against Evansville in a series that dates back to the 1983-84 season, the first for both schools in the now-defunct North Star Conference (and later the Midwestern Collegiate Conference). The teams played at least once (and sometimes twice or more) per season in league play through the 1993-94 campaign, before the Purple Aces left to join the Missouri Valley Conference and the Irish followed suit a year later to join the BIG EAST.

The Last Time ND And Evansville Met

The sharpshooting backcourt of **Sherri Orlosky** and **Kara Leary** combined for 18 points in a 22-5 first-half run as Notre Dame stormed past

LAST IRISH GAME vs. EVANSVILLE

Notre Dame 89, Evansville 62

February 12, 1994

Roberts Stadium (Evansville, Ind.)

Notre Dame (89)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Morgan	25	8-12	1-3	4-5	3	3	2	21
Bowen	19	3-12	0-0	2-2	5	1	3	8
Jones	8	3-6	0-0	0-0	3	1	2	6
Leary	20	3-4	1-1	4-4	3	6	1	11
Orlosky	24	6-8	4-4	3-4	8	1	1	19
Knapp	13	1-4	0-0	0-0	3	1	3	2
Augustin	30	1-4	0-0	0-0	2	4	4	2
Gaither	21	5-10	0-0	0-3	5	0	1	10
Alexander	15	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	3	2	0
Atchinson	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	2
Bohman	17	3-7	0-0	2-3	2	0	3	8
Team					4			
Totals	200	34-69	6-8	15-21	42	21	22	89

Evansville (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Lefever	40-	6-18	3-10	2-4	8	4	2	17
Eiker	28	4-7	1-3	0-1	4	0	1	9
Schoch	23	3-9	0-3	5-7	5	1	0	11
Harycki	26	2-5	0-0	1-1	4	2	2	5
Deffendoll	26	2-8	2-4	6-6	4	4	4	12
Shafer	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Johnston	16	0-3	0-2	0-0	5	0	2	0
Padgett	20	4-9	0-0	0-0	4	0	5	8
Manassah	17	0-3	0-0	0-2	2	1	3	0
Team					7			
Totals	200	21-62	6-22	14-21	43	12	20	62

Notre Dame	56	33	-	89
Evansville	29	33	-	62

FG Pct: Notre Dame 49.3, Evansville 33.9. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 75.0, Evansville 27.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 71.4, Evansville 66.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 18, Evansville 27. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 2 (Gaither 2), Evansville 0. **Steals:** Notre Dame 11 (Augustin 3), Evansville 5 (Harycki 2). **Attendance:** 233.

Evansville, 89-62 on Feb. 12, 1994, at Roberts Stadium in Evansville.

Orlosky knocked all four of her three-point attempts, three in the backbreaking run and finished with 19 points and a game-high eight rebounds in just 24 minutes. Leary had a nearly perfect shooting night, going 3-of-4 from the field (1-1 from long range) and 4-of-4 at the foul line, tallying 11 points and six assists without a turnover.

Strangely, neither player took game-high scoring honors, a title reserved for freshman forward **Beth Morgan**, who tossed in 21 points (a sign of things to come for the school's eventual career scoring leader). **Katryna Gaither** came off the bench to chip in 10 points for the Irish, who shot a blistering 57.5 percent from the field in the opening 20 minutes.

The difference in the contest came just past the midway point of the first half, with the Irish leading 26-15. **Letitia Bowen** started things off innocently enough with a layup before the media timeout, but Leary came out of the break with her only three-pointer of the day and the first olive had officially tumbled from the jar. Orlosky followed with her trio of treys in a span of 1:49, and try as they might, the Purple Aces couldn't get any closer than 24 points the rest of the way.

Other ND-Evansville Series Tidbits

- Notre Dame and Evansville were traditional rivals for a decade (1983-84 to 1993-94) when the schools were members of the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate conferences (the latter now known as the Horizon League). Wednesday's contest will mark the first time



the Irish and Purple Aces have ever met in a non-conference game.

- Evansville is the first of three in-state opponents for Notre Dame this season, with a home game against Purdue (Dec. 7) and a road trip to Valparaiso (Dec. 13) penciled in next month. Notre Dame is 111-32 (.776) all-time against other Indiana schools, with a 53-11 (.828) mark at the Joyce Center; the Irish also have won 11 of their last 14 games against in-state opponents, losing only to Purdue (Jan. 4, 2004 and Dec. 7, 2005) and Indiana (Dec. 3, 2006).
- Notre Dame freshman guard **Natalie Novosel** and her sister, **Shannon** (a senior center at Evansville) will play against one another for the first time in organized competition. The Novosel sisters also were teammates at Lexington (Ky.) Catholic High School for two seasons (2003-04 and 2004-05), leading the Knights to the state title the latter year.
- Evansville junior forward **Anaris Sickles** was another of Natalie Novosel's teammates at Lexington Catholic — the pair suited up for the Knights for three seasons (2003-04 through 2005-06).

Notre Dame vs. The Missouri Valley Conference

Notre Dame is 24-2 (.923) all-time against the current alignment of the Missouri Valley Conference, including an 11-1 (.917) record at home against MVC schools. The Irish last played a Valley school on Nov. 12, 2004, downing Illinois State, 92-73, at the Joyce Center in the first round of the Preseason WNIT (an event the Irish would go on to win).

The bulk of Notre Dame's games against the present MVC membership have come against Evansville, when the Irish and Purple Aces were rivals in both the North Star and Midwestern Collegiate conferences.

In the 22-year tenure of Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw**, the Irish are 15-1 (.938) against the Missouri Valley Conference, going 8-0 at home, 5-1 on the road and 2-0 at neutral sites.

Her only setback also represents the last time a current MVC squad defeated Notre Dame. Ironically enough, it was Evansville that pulled off the feat on Jan. 28, 1993, when the Purple Aces handed the visiting Irish a 73-69 loss. Since then, the Irish have won six consecutive games against current MVC schools.

Notre Dame also has an active 10-game home winning streak against MVC teams, since Illinois State edged the Irish, 61-59, on Feb. 8, 1984, at the Joyce Center.

Starting Off On The Right Foot

Notre Dame is 23-8 (.742) all-time in home openers and carries a 13-game winning streak into Wednesday's game against Evansville. The Irish

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			08-09	All Time
Nov. 1, 2008 (Pre)	374	16	1	160
Nov. 17, 2008	459	15	2	161
SEASON HIGHS	459	15		

ESPN/USA Today/WBCA Coaches' Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			08-09	All Time
Nov. 5, 2008 (Pre)	294	14	1	152
Nov. 18, 2008	367	15	2	153
SEASON HIGHS	367	14		

also are 17-4 (.810) in season openers during the **Muffet McGraw** era (since 1987-88), with their last season-opening loss coming on Nov. 30, 1994 (87-83 to No. 13/11 Purdue). Last season, Notre Dame opened up its home slate with a 98-50 win over Miami (Ohio) at the Joyce Center in the first round of the Preseason WNIT.

Game #1 Recap: LSU

Junior guard **Ashley Barlow** scored 10 of her 19 points during a run to start the second half and No. 16/14 Notre Dame beat No. 24/22 LSU, 62-53 on Sunday in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center in Baton Rouge, La.

Notre Dame (1-0) trailed only once, after LSU's **Latear Eason** hit a floater to make it 20-18 with 4:46 left in the first half.

With the game tied at 24 at halftime, the Irish opened the second half with a 14-4 spurt, giving them their first double-digit lead of the game.

LSU (0-1) got as close as 43-40 with 9:39 left, but Notre Dame answered with a 10-0 run for its largest lead.

Senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** scored 13 points and sophomore forward **Devereaux Peters** added 12 for the Irish.

Andrea Kelly scored 10 points off the bench to lead LSU.

Noting The LSU Game

- Notre Dame squares its all-time series with LSU at 2-2, while all four games have been decided by 10 points or less.
- The Irish earn their first-ever win over LSU in Baton Rouge, and avenge their 1999 NCAA Tournament second-round loss to the Lady Tigers (74-64) at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center.
- Notre Dame registers its first-ever win over a Southeastern Conference (SEC) opponent on its home floor, and its first victory inside an SEC arena since March 24, 1997, when the Irish downed George Washington, 62-52, in the NCAA East Regional final at South Carolina's former home, the Frank McGuire Center, in Columbia, S.C.
- Notre Dame collects its first victory over an SEC opponent since Nov. 14, 2003, when the Irish opened that season with a 77-64 win over No. 22/25 Auburn at the WBCA Classic in Boulder, Colo.; that Auburn victory also marked the last time Notre Dame opened with a ranked opponent — the Irish have won the past three times they have tipped

National Polls

Associated Press Poll

• November 17, 2008: Poll #2

Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ♦Connecticut (45)	1-0	1,125	1
2 Oklahoma	1-0	1,018	4
3 ♦Rutgers	1-0	1,010	5
4 North Carolina	2-0	963	6
5 Tennessee	1-0	931	7
6 Duke	2-0	900	8
7 California	2-0	788	9
8 Stanford	1-0	764	2
9 ♦Louisville	2-0	724	10
10 Baylor	2-0	698	19
11 Maryland	1-1	680	3
12 Texas A&M	2-0	658	11
13 ♦Vanderbilt	2-0	603	12
14 Texas	3-0	519	13
15 NOTRE DAME	1-0	459	16
16 Virginia	1-0	440	15
17 Ohio State	2-0	361	18
18 Arizona State	2-0	345	17
19 Oklahoma State	0-1	291	14
20 Auburn	1-0	258	20
21 ♦Purdue	1-0	178	23
22 Florida State	1-0	173	21
23 Xavier	2-0	152	22
24 TCU	2-0	148	—
25 Old Dominion	2-0	106	25

Others Receiving Votes: ♦Michigan State 49, Iowa State 45, ♦Pittsburgh 41, Marist 39, ♦LSU 32, ♦Marquette 28, Utah 24, Georgia 20, Georgia Tech 17, ♦Syracuse 12, ♦DePaul 8, George Washington 7, Kansas State 6, Arkansas 2, Gonzaga 2, Montana 1.

ESPN/USA Today/WBCA Coaches' Poll

• November 18, 2008: Poll #2

Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ♦Connecticut (31)	1-0	775	1
2 ♦Rutgers	1-0	707	3
3 North Carolina	3-0	692	4
4 Oklahoma	1-0	671	7
5 Duke	2-0	611	8
6 California	2-0	574	9
7 Texas A&M	2-0	531	10
8 Stanford	1-1	498	2
9 Baylor	2-0	489	17
10 ♦Louisville	2-0	484	11
11 Virginia	2-0	452	15
12 ♦Vanderbilt	2-0	445	12
13 Tennessee	1-1	422	6
14 Texas	3-0	419	13
15 NOTRE DAME	1-0	367	14
16 Maryland	1-1	331	5
17 Arizona State	2-0	263	18
18 Ohio State	2-0	209	19
19 Oklahoma State	0-1	208	15
20 Auburn	2-0	190	21
21 Florida State	1-0	128	24
22 Xavier	2-0	77	—
23 Georgia	1-0	73	25
24 (tie) Iowa State	1-0	52	—
(tie) Old Dominion	2-1	52	20

Others Receiving Votes: ♦Purdue 48, ♦LSU 46, ♦Pittsburgh 40, TCU 37, ♦Syracuse 31, Kansas State 31, Marist 27, Utah 24, ♦Marquette 22, Georgia Tech 10, Hartford 7, Nebraska 7, East Carolina 4, Gonzaga 4, Iowa 3, ♦Michigan State 3, Texas Tech 3, Minnesota 2, Montana 2, New Mexico 2, Liberty 1, Southern Mississippi 1.

LW = last week

♦ = 2008-09 Notre Dame opponent





Evansville Series

Notre Dame Leads Series 18-1

Date	Site	Result	Score
1/27/84	Notre Dame	W	77-56
3/10/84	Evansville	W	80-68
2/1/85	Notre Dame	W	74-53
3/3/85	Evansville	W	72-70
2/2/86	Evansville	W	76-55
2/28/86	Notre Dame	W	73-57
1/12/89	Evansville	W	75-65
2/9/89	Notre Dame	W	71-55
3/10/89	Dayton, Ohio ¹	W	75-66
1/29/90	Notre Dame	W	79-45
2/3/90	Evansville	W	70-58
11/26/90	Notre Dame	W	83-65
2/2/91	Evansville	W	73-56
2/13/92	Notre Dame	W	78-62
2/24/92	Evansville	W	79-65
1/28/93	Evansville	L	69-73
3/6/93	Notre Dame	W	74-62
1/20/94	Notre Dame	W	93-48
2/12/94	Evansville	W	89-62

¹ = Midwestern Collegiate Conference Tournament (Semifinal)

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	1,460	76.8
Evansville	1,141	60.1

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 3 games

Muffet McGraw vs. Evansville: 12-1

Misty Murphy vs. Notre Dame: First meeting

McGraw vs. Murphy: First meeting

ND Biggest Win: 45 (93-48 on 1/20/94)

UE Biggest Win: 4 (73-69 on 1/28/93)

ND Longest Win Streak: 15 (1984-92)

UE Longest Win Streak: 1 (1993)

THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ND	UE
2008-09 record	1-0	1-0
AP/ESPN-USA Today rank	15/15	—

SCORING

Points scored per game	62.0	83.0
Points allowed per game	53.0	73.0
Field goal percentage	.447	.479
Three-point percentage	.500	.471
Free throw percentage	.667	.725

REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	38.0	45.0
Opponent rebs. per game	32.0	45.0
Rebounding margin	+6.0	0.0

OTHER

Assists per game	9.0	20.0
Turnovers per game	21.0	23.0
Assist/turnover ratio	0.43	0.87
Blocked shots per game	4.0	4.0
Steals per game	12.0	6.0



off the season against a Top 25 foe, having also downed No. 6 UCLA, 99-82, at the Joyce Center to begin the 1998-99 campaign.

- Notre Dame is 24-8 (.750) in season openers and now has won 14 consecutive season lidlifters, going a combined 19-3 (.864) in the **Muffet McGraw** era (1987-88 to present).
- The Irish continue to sparkle in regular-season tournament play, improving to 22-5 (.815) in their last 27 regular-season tourney games, starting with the 1996-97 season.
- Notre Dame also stamped its place in the Pete Maravich Assembly Center record books, becoming just the fourth non-conference school to defeat LSU at home in the past 13-plus seasons (1995-96 to present) — the others were Purdue and Michigan (in double overtime) in 2001-02 and Connecticut twice (2006-07 and 2007-08).
- What's more, the Irish handed the Lady Tigers their first loss in a home opener since Nov. 23, 1981, when McNeese State shaded LSU, 75-74, in the final season prior to the arrival of the Lady Tigers' late legendary coach, **Sue Gunter**.
- Notre Dame picks up its first win in the state of Louisiana since the first round of the 1999 NCAA Tournament, when it downed Saint Mary's (Calif), 61-57.
- The 53 points allowed by Notre Dame were the fewest they have given up to a ranked opponent since Feb. 15, 2005, when they earned a 54-47 win at No. 25/22 Boston College.
- LSU went 0-for-4 from beyond the arc, the first time a Notre Dame opponent has failed to connect on a triple since Dec. 2, 2007, when IUPUI was 0-for-10 from distance.
- In her first game since tearing the ACL in her left knee on Feb. 10, 2008, sophomore forward **Devereaux Peters** matched her career high with six field goals and matched the third-highest minute total of her career (34 at Maryland on Nov. 16, 2007; 31 in overtime win at Bowling Green on Dec. 5, 2007; 28 vs. Villanova on Jan. 16, 2008).
- Sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** made her first career start on Sunday.
- Junior guard **Melissa Lechlitner** made her second career start and first as the primary point guard (she filled **Ashley Barlow's** starting spot at the 2-guard on Feb. 24, 2008 at DePaul, while **Tulyah Gaines** continued to run the point).
- All four Irish freshmen saw action in Sunday's game, with forward **Erica Solomon** turning in the best effort with six points and two rebounds in 11 minutes; guard **Natalie Novosel** had two points and two rebounds in 17 minutes, while forward **Kellie Watson** and guard **Fraderica Miller** made their college debuts in the final minute.

Polling Station

Notre Dame is ranked 15th in this week's Associated Press poll, up one spot from its preseason ranking. It's the 22nd consecutive AP poll appearance for the Irish, which opened last season at No. 24 and rose as high as ninth on March 3, marking the eighth time in the past 12 seasons (1996-97 through 2007-08) that the Irish have reached the AP Top 10.

Notre Dame also has been ranked in the AP poll for 161 weeks during the program's 32-year history, with every one of those appearances coming in the **Muffet McGraw** era (since 1987-88). McGraw ranks 13th among all active NCAA Division I head coaches for weeks in the AP poll, and also stands 25th all-time in that category.

In addition, the Irish earned their 22nd consecutive ranking in the ESPN/USA Today/WBCA coaches' poll, placing 15th this week (down one spot from the preseason balloting). Notre Dame ended last year at No. 13, its highest ranking of the 2007-08 season, and has appeared in the coaches' poll for 153 weeks during its history (all coming during McGraw's tenure).

More Polling Data

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is one of 23 people in NCAA Division I women's basketball history who have both played for and coached a team that has appeared in the Associated Press Top 25 poll.

Besides her 161 AP poll appearances while coaching at Notre Dame, McGraw was the starting point guard at Saint Joseph's (Pa.) as a senior in 1977, helping the Hawks rise to No. 3 in the nation. Of the 23 people on this list, 11 currently are NCAA Division I head coaches (see accompanying chart).

Irish Fourth In BIG EAST Preseason Poll

The Notre Dame women's basketball team has been projected to finish fourth in the BIG EAST Conference this season, according to a pre-season vote of the league's 16 head coaches that was announced during the 2008 BIG EAST Women's Basketball Media Day on Oct. 23 at the ESPN Zone in New York City.

The Irish collected 182 points, with Connecticut (14 first-place votes, 224 points), Rutgers (one first-place vote, 201 points) and Louisville (one first-place vote, 200 points) joining Notre Dame in the top four.

In addition, senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** was chosen as a Preseason All-BIG EAST Honorable Mention selection, one of 14 players to garner preseason all-conference status. Schrader averaged 10.3 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game last season while scoring in double figures 21 times.

A 2008 honorable mention all-BIG EAST selection, Schrader is one of three starters and seven monogram winners back for the Irish from last

AP Poll Appearances

Active D-I Coaches	
1. Summitt (Tenn)	544
2. Landers (UGa)	431
3. Stringer (RU)	378
12. Blair (TAMU)	192
13. ♦McGraw (ND)	161
14. Larry (ODU)	145

All-Time D-I Coaches

1. Summitt (Tenn)	544
2. Landers (UGa)	431
3. Conradt (Texas)	395
23. Sanderford (WKU)	182
24. Washington (KU)	176
25. ♦McGraw (ND)	161

NOTE: through Nov. 17 AP poll

AP Poll Appearances as Player & Coach (active coaches only)

June Daugherty (Wash. St.)
Nell Fortner (Auburn)
MaChelle Joseph (Ga. Tech)
Wendy Larry (ODU)
Joanne McCallie (Duke)
Kathy McConnell-Miller (Colo.)
♦Muffet McGraw (ND)
Kim Mulkey (Baylor)
Bev Smith (Oregon)
Dawn Staley (S. Carolina)
Charli Turner Thorne (Ariz. St.)

NOTES: only current teams listed ... all coaches shown have made AP poll with current teams except Daugherty (did so at Washington) and Staley (at Temple) ... Larry and Smith are coaching at their alma maters.



year's 25-9 club that finished fourth in the BIG EAST and advanced to the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16 for the seventh time in the past 12 seasons.

Half And Half

During the past nine seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 146-14 (.913) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 74 of their last 82 such contests.

Last year, Notre Dame led at the half 24 times and went on to win 22 times, although both losses came in the postseason — against Pittsburgh in the BIG EAST Conference Championship quarterfinals after leading 22-21; and against Tennessee in the NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinals after leading 33-31, the first time the Irish were up at the break on the Lady Vols in 20 series games.

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past 14 seasons (1995-96 to present), 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 185-12 (.939) record when they hold their opponents below 60 points in a game.

Notre Dame added its first tally of the season to this ledger with Sunday's 62-53 win at LSU in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic.

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

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past 14 seasons (since 1995-96), the Irish are 114-4 (.966) 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, a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998, and an 81-80 loss to DePaul in 2008.

Notre Dame won 14 of 15 games last season when it reached the 80-point mark.

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 162 of their last 183 games (.885) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 93-15 (.861) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 71 of their last 77 non-BIG EAST contests (.922) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. Four of the losses in that span came at the hands of Big

Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54), Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT) and Indiana in 2006 (54-51) — with the other two defeats coming to Tennessee in 2005 (62-51) and 2008 (87-63). The Purdue loss also snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 312-82 (.792) record at the venerable facility. Three times (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish went a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Irish Have New Home On The Dial

On Aug. 27, 2008, the Notre Dame athletics department announced it had partnered with the LeSEA Broadcasting Network, making Pulse FM (96.9/92.1) the new radio home of Notre Dame women's basketball in the South Bend market.

LeSEA now originates all Notre Dame women's basketball games, with those events carried on Pulse FM (96.9/92.1), marking the first time since the 1998-99 season that the Irish are heard on an FM station. Combined, these two stations blanket the nation's No. 89 media market (South Bend-Elkhart), covering a 21-county area in northern Indiana and southwest Michigan that contains more than 1.35 million listeners (better than 800,000 in the greater South Bend area alone). All told, Notre Dame's new women's basketball network stretches from Kalamazoo, Mich., to the north, North Judson, Ind., to the west, Macy, Ind., (home of former Irish All-America center **Ruth Riley**) to the south, and LaGrange, Ind., to the east.

Women's basketball game broadcasts also continue to be streamed live and free of charge on Notre Dame's official athletics Web site (UND.com) through the Fighting Irish All-Access multimedia package.

The new agreement includes extensive Notre Dame athletics promotion aired on a combination of the LeSEA stations.

Bob Nagle, the voice of Notre Dame women's basketball from 1996-97 through 1998-99 (including the program's first NCAA Final Four berth in 1997), returns as the play-by-play voice of the Irish this season.

Notre Dame On The Small Screen

Notre Dame will at least 19 regular-season games televised during the upcoming 2008-09 season. Highlighting this year's broadcast schedule are eight nationally-televised Irish women's basketball contests, including four games on the ESPN family of networks (beginning with last Sunday's State Farm Tip-Off Classic game at LSU, which aired on ESPN2 and ESPN360.com) and three others on CBS College Sports.

In addition, Notre Dame continues to expand its broadcast reach globally on the Internet. All 11 Irish regular-season home games that have not been selected for commercial TV coverage will air live on the official

2008-09 Trends

Day of the Week

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

Time of Game

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

Location

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

Halftime score

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

Individual scoring

Two or fewer double-figure scorers	0-0
Three double-figure scorers	1-0
Four double-figure scorers	0-0
Five or more double-figure scorers	0-0

Rebounding margin

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

Field goal shooting

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

Free throw margin

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

Turnovers

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

Miscellaneous

Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls)	1-0
On television	1-0
In white jerseys	0-0
In alternate white jerseys	0-0
In blue jerseys	1-0
In green jerseys	0-0

Margin of Victory

1-5 points	0-0
6-10 points	1-0
11-15 points	0-0
16-20 points	0-0
21+ points	0-0
In overtime games	0-0

Conference Affiliation

Atlantic Coast	0-0
Atlantic 10	0-0
BIG EAST	0-0
Big Ten	0-0
Horizon League	0-0
Mid-American	0-0
Missouri Valley	0-0
Southeastern	1-0
Southern	0-0

Month

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





Academics

Notre Dame Student-Athletes Rank Among Nation's Best

Whether measured by the federal government in its Department of Education report (the 18th edition came out this fall) or by the NCAA through its newer Graduation Success Rate (GSR) numbers, graduation rates for Notre Dame student-athletes rank among the national leaders in all major categories among all major football-playing colleges and universities.

Notre Dame led the nation in the GSR ratings for all student-athletes (at 98, tied with the United States Naval Academy), while also ranking first in both the GSR and federal standings for female student-athletes (100 GSR, 93 federal) — as well as first in the federal listing for black student-athletes (84). Both the federal graduation-rate figures and the GSR numbers for Notre Dame student-athletes found the Irish ranked fourth or better nationally in five major categories among the 119 football-playing institutions in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A).

Listing all student-athletes in all sports, Notre Dame tied for first among the Bowl Subdivision football schools in the GSR figures, initiated in 2005 by the NCAA. The University's 98 percent GSR for all its student-athletes matched that for the U.S. Naval Academy. Using the federal formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 89 percent of its student-athletes, second-best in the nation.

Notre Dame graduated 93 percent of all women competing in varsity athletics, to rank first among its peer institutions (tied with Northwestern) based on the federal calculations. Among men, Notre Dame's 87 percent federal rate was second, while the school also graduated 84 percent of its black student-athletes, ranking first based on the federal rate.

In the GSR standings, in addition to its number-one ranking for all student-athletes, Notre Dame tied for first among female student-athletes at 100 (Vanderbilt and the U.S. Naval Academy also finished at 100), second among male student-athletes at 97 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98), and second among black student-athletes at 96 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98).

The NCAA also calculated graduation rates over a 10-year period (student-athletes who entered from 1992-93 through 2001-02). During those 10 years, Notre Dame had 627 student-athletes who exhausted their eligibility — and 100 percent of them graduated within the allotted six-year period, a figure only Northwestern can match.

Academic All-Americans

Entering the 2008-09 academic year, Notre Dame ranks second in the nation with 201 Academic All-America® selections, including 32 in the past three years alone. The Academic All-America® Program is administered by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), whose membership votes on the award winners, and the program is sponsored by ESPN The Magazine.

The Notre Dame women's basketball program has produced five Academic All-America® honorees in its 32-year history, with those five players winning a total of seven citations. In addition, two-time first-team Academic All-America® pick **Ruth Riley** was tapped as the 2001 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year. Riley also is one of only 10 student-athletes in Notre Dame history to earn All-American and Academic All-America® honors twice in her career.

Megan Duffy was the latest honoree in 2006, when she was named a first-team Academic All-America® selection, becoming the second Irish player ever to attain that distinction. Duffy graduated in May 2006 with a 3.576 grade-point average (GPA) and a degree in psychology and computer applications from Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also garnered dean's list honors in four of her final five semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005, fall 2005).

ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

Megan Duffy	2006 (First Team)
Maggie Lally	1980, 1981 (Second Team)
Shari Matvey	1981 (Second Team)
Ruth Riley	2000, 2001* (First Team)
Mary Beth Schueth	1983 (Second Team)

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



Notre Dame athletics web site, *UND.com*, via the site's free multimedia package, Fighting Irish All-Access.

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01 and continuing through this year (not counting Wednesday's game), Notre Dame has played in 116 televised games, including 66 that were broadcast nationally.

Oh Captain, My Captain

Senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** and junior guards **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitner** are team captains for the 2008-09 season. All three players are serving as captains for the first time in their careers, and each received the captain's honor following a vote of their teammates prior to the season.

Irish In The Pink (Zone) All Season Long

Notre Dame is proud to be a participant in the second annual Pink Zone initiative, created by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) in order to heighten breast cancer awareness and raise money for research towards finding a cure for the disease.

Throughout the 2008-09 season, the Irish will take part in several activities centered around the Pink Zone initiative, including:

- **Open Practice/Tip-Off Luncheon** - On Oct. 19, the Irish open the doors to one of their preseason practice sessions and allowed approximately 600 season ticket holders to watch the team prepare for the upcoming season. A luncheon with the team followed and a total of \$3,311 was raised.
- **Three-Point Pledge** - Fans can pledge an amount to donate for every three-pointer the Irish make this season. Pledge cards are available at the Joyce Center Gate 10 marketing table prior to each home game.
- **Beanie Bears/Calendars** - The Irish are collecting a \$5 donation for every special-edition Notre Dame women's basketball beanie bear and team calendar sold during the season.
- **T-Shirt Sales** - Specially-commissioned "Irish Believe" pink t-shirts are on sale in the Hammes Bookstore and Varsity Shop on the Notre Dame campus. Proceeds from the sales of the t-shirt will go to breast cancer awareness and research.
- **Brittany and Becca's Class** - Sophomores **Brittany Mallory** and **Becca Bruszewski** currently are taking a management class in Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business under the guidance of **Chuck Lennon**, an Irish women's basketball season ticket holder, as well as Associate Vice President for University Relations and Executive Director of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. This class has been focusing on ways to help promote and enhance the Pink Zone initiative on the Notre Dame campus and will debut their ideas at the Purdue game on Dec. 7.
- **Pink Zone Challenge** - The Irish women's basketball program has challenged some of the other top-drawing teams in the country to a friendly fund-raising competition to see

which school can raise the most money for breast cancer awareness and research during the WBCA's designated Pink Zone games (Feb. 13-22, 2009). A total of 15 schools from among the top 20 in last year's final NCAA attendance rankings have committed for this inaugural challenge — Baylor, Connecticut, Duke, LSU, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri State, New Mexico, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Penn State, Purdue, Tennessee, Texas Tech and Vanderbilt. The school raising the most money during their specific Pink Zone game will earn the first-ever Pink Zone Challenge Trophy, to be commissioned by Notre Dame and awarded during the WBCA National Convention, to be held April 3-7, 2009, at the NCAA Women's Final Four in St. Louis.

- **Game Day (Feb. 8 vs. DePaul)** - The Irish have selected their Feb. 8 home game against DePaul as Notre Dame's Pink Zone game, presented by Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center. The Irish will take the court in white, pink and navy uniforms, specially-designed by the school's official athletics apparel provider, adidas. The first 2,000 fans in attendance will receive a free pink Irish t-shirt, compliments of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, and pink pom-poms, balloons and posters will fill the crowd. In addition, breast cancer survivors will be recognized on the court during a special halftime ceremony. What's more, should Notre Dame sell out this game, the Irish will donate an additional \$10,000 to the Pink Zone initiative.

Proceeds from all of Notre Dame's Pink Zone events this season will go to the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund, as well as three local charities — Women's Task Force, Young Survivors Group and Secret Sisters Society. For more information on the WBCA's Pink Zone initiative, log on to the WBCA's official web site at www.wbca.org.

ND To Host NCAA Tourney Games in 2009

Notre Dame's Joyce Center will serve as one of 16 host sites for first- and second-round games in this year's NCAA Championship. The two opening-round contests will be played on Sunday, March 22, while the second-round game will take place on Tuesday, March 24.

All-session tickets for this year's NCAA Championship games at the Joyce Center are available by contacting the Notre Dame athletics ticket office (574-631-7356).

Notre Dame has played in the NCAA Championship on its home floor five times before, most recently defeating Southwest Missouri State (now Missouri State) and Middle Tennessee in 2004 to make the program's sixth NCAA Sweet 16 appearance. All told, the Irish are 6-1 in NCAA tourney play at the Joyce Center, winning six in a row since an 81-76 first-round loss to Minnesota in 1994.

Irish Fans Crave Another Big Mac Attack

After a wildly-successful debut last season, Notre Dame is bringing back its "Big Mac" promotion for 2008-09, offering fans a coupon for a free Big Mac from South Bend-area McDonald's restaurants if the Irish score at least 88 points in a game.

It didn't take long for the burger watch to



fire back up again, as Notre Dame topped the 88-point mark in its lone exhibition game this year with a 96-30 win over Gannon on Nov. 5.

Last year, the Irish reached the magic number eight times, doing so in both exhibition wins, along with regular-

season victories over Miami (Ohio), Boston College, Canisius, Valparaiso, Marquette and South Florida.

It should come as no surprise that in the short history of the promotion, the Notre Dame player with the most "Big Mac" baskets shares the same initials with the tasty burger — sophomore guard **Brittany Mallory**, who was sent the crowd home happy (and presumably with full bellies) four times.

The Final Countdown

Less than 1,000 tickets remain for the Dec. 7 game with in-state rival Purdue at the Joyce Center (2 p.m. ET tipoff). Should that allotment be exhausted, it would represent the sixth women's basketball sellout (11,418 capacity) in school history and the third in the past two seasons.

Last year, Notre Dame sold out its games against Tennessee and Connecticut, and nearly did the same for the Michigan contest, drawing 10,825 fans for that game.

Joyce Center Arena Renovation Underway

On Sept. 13, 2008, groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Purcell Pavilion, including the Joyce Center arena addition and renovation, were held to kick off the first phase of the two-year project to upgrade the home for Notre Dame basketball and volleyball.

The first phase of the project, that began in September 2008, involves construction of a new three-story structure at the south end of the arena. That structure will include a new three-story lobby, the Notre Dame ticket operations (approximately 4,500 square feet) and a varsity shop to sell apparel and souvenirs (approximately 3,000 square feet), in addition to a new club seating and hospitality area.

Replacement of the existing Joyce Center arena seating, including installation of chair-back seating throughout the arena, is expected to take place after the University's Commencement Exercises in May 2009. The entire project is scheduled for completion in January 2010. The arena is expected to re-open by mid-October 2009, in time for the start of the basketball season and the end of the volleyball season.

The University announced in October 2007 that this \$26.3 million project had received a \$12.5 million leadership gift from Notre Dame

ND's "Big Mac Baskets"

2008-09	
*Gannon	Novosel FT
2007-08	
*S. Indiana	Williamson FG
*Hillsdale	Mallory FT
Miami (Ohio)	Barlow FG
Boston Coll.	Mallory FG
Canisius	Mallory 3FG
Valparaiso	Mallory FT
Marquette	Allen FG
S. Florida	Schrader FG
* - exhibition game	

alumnus and Trustee **Philip J. Purcell III**, the retired chairman and chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley.

Exterior changes to the Joyce Center that began taking shape in September include a new, three-story addition on the south end of the current structure. The third floor area will include the stadium club/hospitality area. The first-floor addition will include almost 4,500 square feet for ticket offices (including four exterior and 10 interior tickets windows), 3,000 square feet for the varsity shop, as well as a completely new main entrance and lobby situated between Gates 8 and 10. The new entrance will feature graphics and theming that highlight Notre Dame's competing athletic programs.

Changes to the interior of the Joyce Center arena include:

- New, blue chair-back seating from top to bottom of the arena, including all-new upper-arena sections. All seating will be replaced in the lower bowl (including platform seats), and the wooden bleachers in the upper bowl will be removed and replaced with treads and risers and permanent arena seats. The exchange of the bleacher sections for chair back seats will change the capacity from the current 11,418 to approximately 9,800.
- A stadium club/hospitality area (approximately 16,500 square feet) in the south end of the arena, with a separate, private entry and with premium club seating for nearly 800 fans (that figure is part of the projected 9,800 capacity). Included in this area will be food service and restroom facilities.
- New fixed concession areas, increased numbers of women's restrooms and increased handicapped seating options.
- The interior seating changes provide an opportunity to consider new options for student seating. Students currently sit in both lower- and upper-arena sections behind the basket on the east end of the arena.

Next Game: Boston College

The Irish get back on the road Sunday for a 2 p.m. (ET) matinee at their old BIG EAST Conference rival, Boston College. It will mark Notre Dame's first visit to Chestnut Hill since the 2004-05 season (BC's last in the BIG EAST before moving to the ACC).

Under first-year head coach **Sylvia Crawley**, the Eagles have opened their season with wins over Saint Francis (Pa.) (99-68) and Holy Cross (82-69). Boston College will play host to Hofstra Thursday night before welcoming the Irish to town over the weekend.

2008-09 Honorees

G Lindsay Schrader

Oct. 23 Preseason Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST

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*
T1.	12/31/05	#1 Tennessee	L, 51-62	11,418*
T1.	1/5/08	#3 Tennessee	L, 63-87	11,418*
T1.	1/27/08	#1 Connecticut	L, 64-81	11,418*
6.	12/2/07	Michigan	W, 77-46	10,825
7.	2/10/02	#16 Boston College	W, 60-44	9,676
8.	3/19/01	Michigan (NCAA)	W, 88-54	9,597
9.	12/3/06	Indiana	L, 51-54	9,494
10.	1/4/03	#7 Purdue	L, 54-71	9,483
11.	1/26/02	#16 Virginia Tech	W, 64-57	8,878
12.	2/10/08	#15 Pittsburgh	W, 81-66	8,831
13.	2/14/04	Providence	W, 81-51	8,760
14.	1/13/04	#4 Connecticut	W, 66-51	8,574
15.	1/29/02	Syracuse	W, 71-46	8,571
16.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
17.	1/20/03	#3 Connecticut	L, 53-72	8,265
18.	2/19/06	#8 Connecticut	L, 64-79	8,193
19.	1/12/92	#2 Tennessee	L, 82-85	8,134
20.	11/18/01	Valparaiso	W, 42-35	7,960

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



**2008-09 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results****Overall Record: 1-0 (Home: 0-0, Away: 1-0, Neutral: 0-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0**

Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	Time/Result	Streak	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 16	16/14	24/22	at LSU ^{1-ESPN2}	W 62-53	W1	1-0		Barlow-19	two with 6	Lechlitrner-5	7,954
Nov. 19			EVANSVILLE	7 p.m. ET							
Nov. 23			at Boston College	2 p.m. ET							
Nov. 25			GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7 p.m. ET							
Nov. 29			MICHIGAN STATE	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 2			at Eastern Michigan	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 7			PURDUE	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 10			at Michigan ^{BTN}	7 p.m. ET							
Dec. 13			at Valparaiso	1:35 p.m. CT							
Dec. 20			LOYOLA-CHICAGO	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 28			at Charlotte ^{ESPN2}	2 p.m. ET							
Dec. 30			at Vanderbilt	7 p.m. CT							
Jan. 3			• at Seton Hall	Noon ET							
Jan. 6			• at DePaul ^{CBS CS}	8 p.m. CT							
Jan. 10			• GEORGETOWN	7 p.m. ET							
Jan. 13			• at Marquette ^{CBS CS}	8 p.m. CT							
Jan. 17			• ST. JOHN'S	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 24			• at Villanova	2 p.m. ET							
Jan. 27			• RUTGERS ^{CBS CS}	8 p.m. ET							
Jan. 31			• CINCINNATI	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 3			• at Pittsburgh	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 8			• DEPAUL ^{ESPN2}	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 11			• LOUISVILLE	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 17			• at South Florida	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 22			• at Connecticut ^{ESPN2}	2 p.m. ET							
Feb. 24			• SYRACUSE	7 p.m. ET							
Feb. 28			• at Providence	2 p.m. ET							
March 2			• WEST VIRGINIA	3:30 p.m. ET							

BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn. — XL Center)

March 6	First Round	TBA
March 7	Second Round ^{BIG EAST TV}	TBA
March 8	Quarterfinals ^{ESPN2}	TBA
March 9	Semifinals ^{ESPN2}	6/8 p.m. ET
March 10	Final ^{ESPN}	7 p.m. ET

NCAA Championship — First & Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind. — Joyce Center)

March 22	First Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBA
March 24	Second Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2}	TBA

NCAA Regionals (Berkeley, Calif./Oklahoma City, Okla./Raleigh, N.C./Trenton, N.J.)

March 28-29	Regional Semifinals ^{ESPN}	TBA
March 30-31	Regional Finals ^{ESPN}	TBA

NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo. — Scottrade Center)

April 5	National Semifinals ^{ESPN}	TBA
April 7	National Championship ^{ESPN}	TBA

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game

NR = national ranking (listed as Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today)

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

CBS CS = Game to be televised live on CBS College Sports

BIG EAST TV = Game to be televised live as part of BIG EAST-Regional Sports Networks package

BTN = Game to be televised live on the Big Ten Network

NOTE: All home games not scheduled for commercial TV broadcast will air live on UND.com

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

2008-09 ATTENDANCE

	Totals	Avg.	High
All Games:	7,954	7,954	7,954 (11/16 - LSU)
Home:			
Away:	7,954	7,954	7,954 (11/16 - LSU)
Neutral:			





2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

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

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	1-1	35-35.0	7-13	.538	2-4	.500	3-4	.750	0	5	5	5.0	2-0	0	4	0	2	19	19.0
Schrader, Lindsay	1-1	33-33.0	5-12	.417	0-0	.000	3-5	.600	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	1	5	0	3	13	13.0
Peters, Devereaux	1-0	28-28.0	6-7	.857	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	2	2	3	3	12	12.0
Bruszewski, Becca	1-1	19-19.0	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	0	3	3	3.0	4-0	0	0	0	2	6	6.0
Solomon, Erica	1-0	11-11.0	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	4-6	.667	1	1	2	2.0	3-0	0	1	1	1	6	6.0
Lechlitner, Melissa	1-1	36-36.0	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	4	5	5.0	0-0	5	4	0	1	2	2.0
Novosel, Natalie	1-0	17-17.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	1	2	2.0	1-0	0	3	0	0	2	2.0
Williamson, Erica	1-1	19-19.0	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	2	2	4	4.0	3-0	1	1	0	0	2	2.0
Miller, Fraderica	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Watson, Kellie	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team									1	4	5	5.0			1				
Notre Dame	1	200	21-47	.447	2-4	.500	18-27	.667	10	28	38	38.0	17-0	9	21	4	12	62	62.0
Opponents	1	200	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9	23	32	32.0	19-1	10	18	2	11	53	53.0

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 2, Opponents 2

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	24	38	62
Opponents	24	29	53

2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Road Games

Overall Record: 1-0 (Away: 1-0, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	1-1	35-35.0	7-13	.538	2-4	.500	3-4	.750	0	5	5	5.0	2-0	0	4	0	2	19	19.0
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Peters, Devereaux	1-0	28-28.0	6-7	.857	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	2	2	3	3	12	12.0
Bruszewski, Becca	1-1	19-19.0	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	0	3	3	3.0	4-0	0	0	0	2	6	6.0
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Lechlitner, Melissa	1-1	36-36.0	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	4	5	5.0	0-0	5	4	0	1	2	2.0
Novosel, Natalie	1-0	17-17.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	1	2	2.0	1-0	0	3	0	0	2	2.0
Williamson, Erica	1-1	19-19.0	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	2	2	4	4.0	3-0	1	1	0	0	2	2.0
Miller, Fraderica	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Watson, Kellie	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team									1	4	5	5.0			1				
Notre Dame	1	200	21-47	.447	2-4	.500	18-27	.667	10	28	38	38.0	17-0	9	21	4	12	62	62.0
Opponents	1	200	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9	23	32	32.0	19-1	10	18	2	11	53	53.0

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**2008-09 Single Game Highs & Lows****Team Superlatives**

NOTRE DAME HIGH	NOTRE DAME LOW	CATEGORY	OPPONENT HIGH	OPPONENT LOW
62 at LSU (11/16/08)	62 at LSU (11/16/08)	Points/Game	53 by LSU (11/16/08)	53 by LSU (11/16/08)
38 (2nd) at LSU (11/16/08)	24 (1st) at LSU (11/16/08)	Points/Half	29 (2nd) by LSU (11/16/08)	24 (1st) by LSU (11/16/08)
21 at LSU (11/16/08)	21 at LSU (11/16/08)	Field Goals Made	18 by LSU (11/16/08)	18 by LSU (11/16/08)
47 at LSU (11/16/08)	47 at LSU (11/16/08)	Field Goal Attempts	53 by LSU (11/16/08)	53 by LSU (11/16/08)
.447 at LSU (11/16/08)	.447 at LSU (11/16/08)	FG Percentage	.340 by LSU (11/16/08)	.340 by LSU (11/16/08)
2 at LSU (11/16/08)	2 at LSU (11/16/08)	3-Point FG Made	0 by LSU (11/16/08)	0 by LSU (11/16/08)
4 at LSU (11/16/08)	4 at LSU (11/16/08)	3-Point FG Attempts	4 by LSU (11/16/08)	4 by LSU (11/16/08)
.500 at LSU (11/16/08)	.500 at LSU (11/16/08)	3-Point FG Percentage	.000 by LSU (11/16/08)	.000 by LSU (11/16/08)
18 at LSU (11/16/08)	18 at LSU (11/16/08)	Free Throws Made	17 by LSU (11/16/08)	17 by LSU (11/16/08)
27 at LSU (11/16/08)	27 at LSU (11/16/08)	Free Throw Attempts	21 by LSU (11/16/08)	21 by LSU (11/16/08)
.667 at LSU (11/16/08)	.667 at LSU (11/16/08)	FT Percentage	.810 by LSU (11/16/08)	.810 by LSU (11/16/08)
38 at LSU (11/16/08)	38 at LSU (11/16/08)	Rebounds	32 by LSU (11/16/08)	32 by LSU (11/16/08)
9 at LSU (11/16/08)	9 at LSU (11/16/08)	Assists	10 by LSU (11/16/08)	10 by LSU (11/16/08)
12 at LSU (11/16/08)	12 at LSU (11/16/08)	Steals	11 by LSU (11/16/08)	11 by LSU (11/16/08)
4 at LSU (11/16/08)	4 at LSU (11/16/08)	Blocked Shots	2 by LSU (11/16/08)	2 by LSU (11/16/08)
21 at LSU (11/16/08)	21 at LSU (11/16/08)	Turnovers	18 by LSU (11/16/08)	18 by LSU (11/16/08)
17 at LSU (11/16/08)	17 at LSU (11/16/08)	Fouls	19 by LSU (11/16/08)	19 by LSU (11/16/08)

Individual Superlatives

	NOTRE DAME	OPPONENT
Points Scored	19 by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	10 by Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Field Goals Made	7 by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	4 by Courtney Jones of LSU (11/16/08)
Field Goal Attempts	13 by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	12 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)
Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)	.857 (6-7) by Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	None
3-Point Field Goals Made	2 by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	None
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	4 by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	1 by four players from LSU (11/16/08)
3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)	.500 (2-4) by Ashley Barlow at LSU (11/16/08)	None
Free Throws Made	4 by Becca Bruszewski/Erica Solomon at LSU (11/16/08)	6 by Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Free Throw Attempts	6 by Erica Solomon at LSU (11/16/08)	6 by LaSondra Barrett/Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)	1.000 (4-4) by Becca Bruszewski at LSU (11/16/08)	1.000 (6-6) by Andrea Kelly of LSU (11/16/08)
Rebounds	6 by Lindsay Schrader/Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	9 by Katherine Graham of LSU (11/16/08)
Assists	5 by Melissa Lechlitrer at LSU (11/16/08)	3 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)
Steals	3 by Lindsay Schrader/Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	4 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)
Blocked Shots	3 by Devereaux Peters at LSU (11/16/08)	1 by Katherine Graham/Taylor Turnbow of LSU (11/16/08)
Turnovers	5 by Lindsay Schrader at LSU (11/16/08)	5 by Destini Hughes of LSU (11/16/08)
Minutes Played	36 by Melissa Lechlitrer at LSU (11/16/08)	30 by Allison Hightower of LSU (11/16/08)



2008-09 Notre Dame Game-By-Game Team Statistics

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall		3-Point		FT-A	Pct.	Rebs.		PF-DQ	A	TO	B	S	Pts
	FG-A	Pct.	FG-A	Pct.			Off-Def-Tot	PF-DQ						
(1) NOTRE DAME	21-47	.447	2-4	.500	18-27	.667	10-28-38	17-0	9	21	4	12	62	
at LSU (7,954)	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9-23-32	19-1	10	18	2	11	53	

Winners listed in ALL CAPS // Attendance listed next to home team (where applicable)
 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)

2008-09 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists

Opponent	Solomon	Watson	Miller	Peters	Barlow	Novosel	Mallory	Lechlitner	Schrader	Bruszewski	Williamson
(1) at LSU	6-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	12-6-2	19-5-0	2-2-0	DNP	2-5-5	13-6-1	6-3-0	2-4-1

Home games in ALL CAPS
 DNP = did not play
 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)



**2008-09 Miscellaneous Statistics**

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Most First Half Points Scored	24 at LSU (11/16)	
Most First Half Points Allowed	24 by LSU (11/16)	
Most Second Half Points Scored	38 at LSU (11/16)	
Most Second Half Points Allowed	29 by LSU (11/16)	
Fewest First Half Points Scored	24 at LSU (11/16)	
Fewest First Half Points Allowed	24 by LSU (11/16)	
Fewest Second Half Points Scored	38 at LSU (11/16)	
Fewest Second Half Points Allowed	29 by LSU (11/16)	

Largest Leads

Notre Dame: 13, twice — 53-40 (6:30, 2nd) and 55-42 (6:00, 2nd) at LSU (ND 62-53), 11/16

Opponent: 2 — 20-18 (4:46, 1st) by LSU (ND 62-53), 11/16

Largest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 2 — 20-18 (4:46, 1st) by LSU (ND 62-53), 11/16

Largest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: None

Largest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

Largest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: None

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

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

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

Notre Dame Margin: (-19) points, (-19.0) ppg. (ND — 20 pts., 20.0 ppg.; Opponents — 39 pts., 39.0 ppg.)

Point Differential	9
Notre Dame Wins	1
Notre Dame Losses	0

Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, Lechlitner, Schrader	1-0	

Complete Games Played: 0 // Opponents: 0

Most Minutes (Game): 36, Melissa Lechlitner at LSU, 11/16

Charges Taken: 1 (Williamson 1) // Opponents: 0

Most Charges Taken (Game): 1, Erica Williamson at LSU, 11/16

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 3 (Barlow 1, Peters 1, Schrader 1) // Opponents: 1

20-29-Point Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

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

Game-High Honors*: 1 (Barlow 1)

Team-High Honors*: 1 (Barlow 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 0

Team-High Honors*: 2 (Peters 1, Schrader 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 1 (Lechlitner 1)

Team-High Honors*: 1 (Lechlitner 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 0 // Opponents: 0

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





The Last Time It Happened...

Notre Dame recorded a...

30-point win was on 2/27/08 — ND 92, South Florida 49 (43 points)*
 40-point win was on 2/27/08 — ND 92, South Florida 49 (43 points)*
 50-point win was on 11/20/07 — ND 94, Central Michigan 41 (53 points)
 30-point loss was on 3/17/02 — Tennessee 89, ND 50 (39 points) (*NCAA Mideast Region Second Round at Knoxville, Tenn.*)

Notre Dame shot...

60% on FGs was on 2/13/08 — 64.3% (36-56) vs. Marquette (ND 99-76)*
 65% on FGs was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*
 90% on FTs was on 3/25/08 — 91.7% (22-24) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)

Notre Dame...

won 10 games in a row was from 11/20/07 thru 1/2/08 — 10 straight
 won 15 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
 won 20 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
 lost 5 games in a row was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (across two seasons)
 • lost 5 games in a row (one season) was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight
 scored 100 points was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86)*
 • scored 100 points at home was on 11/26/02 (ND 107, Cleveland State 65)*
 • 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 1/27/07 (Connecticut 64, ND 47)
 allowed less than 50 points was on 2/27/08 (ND 92, South Florida 49)*
 played an overtime game was on 3/25/08 (ND 79, Oklahoma 75 - ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 • played a multiple-overtime game was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)
 rallied from a double-digit deficit to win was on 2/7/07 — 12 points (29-17, 2:25, 1st) vs. Louisville (ND 64-55)*
 gave up a double-digit deficit and lost was on 3/9/08 — 12 points (14-2, 11:04, 1st) vs. Pittsburgh (PITT 64-53) (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Hartford, Conn.*)
 won on a "last second" shot was on 12/5/07 (ND 86, Bowling Green 84 - ot — Charel Allen jumper at 0:00.8 in overtime)
 lost on a "last second" shot was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)
 had five double-figure scorers was on 2/27/08 (ND 92, South Florida 49) — Lindsay Schrader 17, Charel Allen 14, Brittany Mallory 14, Melissa Lechlitner 12, Melissa D'Amico 10*
 had six double-figure scorers was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86) — Ashley Barlow 21, Brittany Mallory 15, Charel Allen 14, Melissa Lechlitner 13, Lindsay Schrader 12, Becca Bruszewski 10, Erica Williamson 10
 had seven double-figure scorers was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86) — Ashley Barlow 21, Brittany Mallory 15, Charel Allen 14, Melissa Lechlitner 13, Lindsay Schrader 12, Becca Bruszewski 10, Erica Williamson 10
 had no double-figure scorers was on 2/8/04 (Seton Hall 51, ND 45)
 had two double-figure rebounders was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow 12, Charel Allen 11 (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 had two players with "double-doubles" was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow (20p, 12r) & Charel Allen (14p, 11r) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 had three players with "double-doubles" was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14p, 10r), Megan Duffy (14p, 10a) & Jacqueline Batteast (10p, 10r)*
 had two 20-point scorers was on 12/6/06 (ND 67, Purdue 58) — Breona Gray 22, Tulyah Gaines 20*
 had three 20-point scorers was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23*
 had a "point-a-minute" scorer (min. 10 minutes) was on 11/9/07 (ND 98, Miami-Ohio 50) — Lindsay Schrader 20p/17m* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)
 made 10 three-point field goals was on 3/3/02 (Syracuse 84, ND 79) — 10-26 (38.5%) on threes (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Piscataway, N.J.*)
 committed 10 turnovers or less was on 2/27/08 (ND 92, South Florida 49) — 10 turnovers*
 committed 25 turnovers was on 12/30/06 (Tennessee 78, ND 54) — 29 turnovers
 forced 25 turnovers was on 1/30/08 (ND 85, Providence 54) — 29 turnovers*

An Irish player had...

25 points was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 30 points was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 35 points was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 40 points was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) (**school record**)
 15 rebounds was on 1/13/07 — Erica Williamson (18) at South Florida (USF 87-78 - ot) (**school freshman record**)
 20 rebounds was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)
 10 assists was on 2/26/05 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*
 5 blocks was on 11/9/07 — Devereaux Peters (5) vs. Miami (Ohio) (ND 98-50)* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)
 5 steals was on 1/30/08 — Charel Allen (6) vs. Providence (ND 85-54)*
 a "double-double" was on 3/23/08 — A. Barlow (20p, 12r)/C. Allen (14p, 11r) vs. SMU (ND 75-62) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 a "triple-double" was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17p, 12r, 10a) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)* (**only triple-double in school history**)
 20 pts & 10 rebs was on 3/23/08 — Ashley Barlow (20p, 12r) vs. SMU (ND 75-62) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 20 pts & 20 rebs was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25p, 20r) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)
 a 4-point play was on 2/16/03 — Alicia Ratay (2:24, 1st) at Providence (ND 67-61)
 a halfcourt shot was on 1/2/07 — Breona Gray (0:00, 1st) at Seton Hall (ND 64-61)

An opposing player had...

25 points was on 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (34), Tennessee (UT 74-64) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.*)
 30 points was on 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (34), Tennessee (UT 74-64) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.*)
 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 3/30/08 — Candace Parker (13)/Nicky Anosike (10), Tennessee (UT 74-64) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.*)
 15 rebounds was on 3/25/08 — Courtney Paris (16), Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 20 rebounds was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)
 10 assists was on 1/27/08 — Ketia Swanier (11), Connecticut (UCONN 81-64)*
 5 blocks was on 3/25/08 — Courtney Paris (5), Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)
 5 steals was on 1/13/08 — Ashley Powell (6), West Virginia (WVU 56-50)
 a "double-double" was on 3/25/08 — C. Parker (34p, 13r)/N. Anosike (10p, 10r), Tennessee (UT 74-64) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal at Oklahoma City, Okla.*)
 a "triple-double" was on 2/7/06 — Liad Suez-Karni (14p, 10r, 10a), Villanova (VU 69-65 - ot)*

* = indicates Notre Dame home game



**2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores****GAME 1**#16/14 Notre Dame 62, #24/22 LSU 53
State Farm Tip-Off Classic
November 16, 2008
Maravich Assembly Ctr. (Baton Rouge, La.)**Notre Dame (62)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	19	1-3	0-0	4-4	3	0	4	6
Williamson	19	0-3	0-0	2-3	4	1	3	2
Barlow	35	7-13	2-4	3-4	5	0	2	19
Lechlitner	36	1-6	0-0	0-0	5	5	0	2
Schrader	33	5-12	0-0	3-5	6	1	2	13
Solomon	11	1-3	0-0	4-6	2	0	3	6
Watson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Miller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Peters	28	6-7	0-0	0-3	6	2	2	12
Novosel	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	2
Team					5			
Totals	200	21-47	2-4	18-27	38	9	17	62

LSU (53)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Morris	14	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	2
Barrett	23	1-6	0-0	4-6	4	0	1	6
Graham	29	0-5	0-1	0-0	9	2	5	0
Hughes	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	1	3	0
Hightower	30	3-12	0-1	0-0	1	3	3	6
Eason	24	2-5	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	4
Riley	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kelly	16	2-3	0-0	6-6	1	0	0	10
Jones	17	4-9	0-1	0-0	2	1	1	8
Dunning	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	1	2
Black	7	2-2	0-0	3-5	3	0	1	7
Turnbow	20	3-6	0-0	2-2	3	1	1	8
Team					5			
Totals	200	18-53	0-4	17-21	32	10	19	53

Notre Dame 24 38 - 62

LSU 24 29 - 53

FG Pct: Notre Dame 44.7, LSU 34.0. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 50.0, LSU 0.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, LSU 81.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 21, LSU 18. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 4 (Peters 3), LSU 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 12 (Schrader, Peters 3), LSU 11 (Hightower 4). **Attendance:** 7,954.

NOTES: Notre Dame squares its all-time series with LSU at 2-2, while all four games have been decided by 10 points or less ... the Irish earn their first-ever win over LSU in Baton Rouge, and avenge their 1999 NCAA Tournament second-round loss to the Lady Tigers (74-64) at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center ... Notre Dame registers its first-ever win over a Southeastern Conference (SEC) opponent on its home floor, and its first victory inside an SEC arena since March 24, 1997, when the Irish downed George Washington, 62-52, in the NCAA East Regional final at South Carolina's former home, the Frank McGuire Center, in Columbia, S.C. ... Notre Dame collects its first victory over an SEC opponent since Nov. 14, 2003, when the Irish opened that season with a 77-64 win over No. 22/25 Auburn at the WBCA Classic in Boulder, Colo. ... that Auburn victory also marked the last time Notre Dame opened with a ranked opponent — the Irish have won the past three times they have tipped off the season against a Top 25 foe, having also downed No. 6 UCLA, 99-82, at the Joyce Center to begin the 1998-99 campaign ... overall, Notre Dame is 24-8 (.750) in season openers and now has won 14 consecutive season lidlifters, going a combined 19-3 (.864) in the Muffet McGraw era (1987-88 to present) ... the Irish continue to sparkle in regular-season tournament play, improving to 22-5 (.815) in their last 27 regular-season tourney games, starting with the 1996-97 season ... Notre Dame became the fourth non-conference school to defeat LSU at home in the past 13-plus seasons (1995-96 to present) — the others were Purdue and Michigan (in 2OT) in 2001-02 and Connecticut twice (2006-07 and 2007-08) ... what's more, the Irish handed the Lady Tigers their first loss in a home opener since Nov. 23, 1981, when McNeese State shaded LSU, 75-74 ... Notre Dame picks up its first win in the state of Louisiana since the first round of the 1999 NCAA Tournament, when it downed Saint Mary's (Calif), 61-57 ... the 53 points allowed by Notre Dame were the fewest they have given up to a ranked opponent since Feb. 15, 2005, when they earned a 54-47 win at No. 25/22 Boston College ... LSU went 0-for-4 from beyond the arc, a first for Notre Dame opponent since Dec. 2, 2007, when IUPUI was 0-for-10 ... sophomore forward Devereaux Peters enjoyed a successful return to action, a little more than nine months after suffering a torn ACL in her left knee ... sophomore forward Becca Bruszewski made her first career start on Sunday ... junior guard Melissa Lechlitner made her second career start and first as the primary point guard.

