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High expectations in athletics at the University of Notre Dame were established long before I returned to the University in 2008. And, so, the combination of winning championships, graduating student-athletes and making an impact in terms of service in the community and on campus all help to set the bar at a particularly high level when it comes to our 26 Fighting Irish programs.

My second season as athletics director at Notre Dame saw a number of our programs rank among the national elite during 2009–2010:

- Men’s lacrosse enjoyed a spectacular month of May in NCAA competition—eliminating No. 6 seed Princeton, No. 3 Maryland and No. 7 Cornell before falling to Duke in overtime in the NCAA championship game and ending up ranked third in the final poll. Goaltender Scott Rodgers was selected as the Most Outstanding Player in the NCAA Championships.

- Our women’s soccer team advanced all the way to the NCAA national semifinals for the fourth consecutive year, with Randy Waldrum earning national Coach of the Year honors.

- Our men’s and women’s fencing teams both finished the regular season ranked No. 1 (the men at 33–0, the women at 35–0), then they combined to claim third place in the NCAA Championships.

- Women’s tennis ended up 26–4 and ranked fifth nationally, advancing to the NCAA team semifinals for the second straight year.

- Irish teams claimed BIG EAST Conference titles in women’s soccer, volleyball (regular season), women’s swimming (a league record 14th straight), men’s indoor and outdoor track and field, rowing (seventh straight) and women’s tennis, plus men’s and women’s Midwest Fencing Conference honors.

- Teams qualified for NCAA Championship brackets in men’s and women’s soccer, volleyball, women’s cross country, men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s fencing, women’s golf, softball, men’s and women’s lacrosse, men’s and women’s tennis and sent a handful of other individuals to compete in track and field and swimming.

- Thirty of our student-athletes claimed All-America honors in 2009–10 and six became Academic All-Americans.

As much as Irish fans expect those sorts of achievement on fields of play, maybe even more impressive are the accomplishments of our student-athletes away from competition.

Our 26 varsity programs all ranked either at or near the top of all the graduation and academic progress measurements for 2009–10, whether they involved the Academic Progress Rate (APR), Graduation Success Rate (GSR) or the federal graduation rates. In fact, essentially, we won the national championship in the GSR survey with a score of 99 for all student-athletes (football also ranked No. 1 at 97).

Our teams continue to contribute countless hours to the community in terms of various service and outreach initiatives. We celebrate them nearly as often for their ability to combine their athletic and academic pursuits as we do for on-the-field successes alone.

We opened new facilities this past year for both soccer and lacrosse; we also proudly re-opened the new Purcell Pavilion in the south dome of the Joyce Center. A year from now, we look forward to the opening of a new on-campus ice arena that will benefit both our hockey program and the larger community.

We’ve established a new sports performance division to meet the needs of our student-athletes. We’re looking for more and better ways to reach out to all of our former student-athletes — and we’re looking for ways to offer expanded video production and distribution of coverage of our various Irish athletic programs.

On an annual basis we sit down with every one of our Notre Dame head coaches and find out what more we can consider doing to help them realize their championship goals. And, in doing so, we look forward to joining Fighting Irish fans everywhere in celebrating even more athletics achievements in years to come.

Jack Swarbrick
Director of Athletics
NOTRE DAME WELCOMES TWO NEW HEAD COACHES

Brian Kelly Named 29th Head Football Coach

In six NCAA Division II playoff appearances at Grand Valley State, Kelly’s teams combined for an 11-4 (.733) postseason record — including four straight victories in winning both the ’02 and ’03 NCAA titles. His ’01 Grand Valley State team fell 17-34 to North Dakota in the Division II national title game.

Kelly’s ’09 team at Cincinnati finished third in the final BCS standings and fourth in both the final regular-season Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN polls. His ’08 team ended up 11-3 and 17th in both polls — and his ’07 Bearcat squad finished 10-3 and 17th (AP) and 20th (USA Today/ESPN) in the final polls.

Through the end of the 2009 regular season, his Cincinnati team won all 12 of its games, led the nation in passing efficiency (.661.9), ranked second in kickoff returns (29.2 each) and sixth in total offense (464.25 yards per game), passing yards (3,844), fewest fumbles (10), fewest fumbles lost (two) and fewest turnovers (10). Cincinnati concluded the ’09 campaign with a record 18 straight regular-season victories.

Kelly has served on the AFCA Ethics Committee — and he’s currently one of 59 FBS head coaches who vote in the USA Today poll.

In June 2009 Kelly and his wife, Paqui, made a $250,000 gift to the University of Notre Dame in support of research, prevention, education and awareness; educational support organizations, initiatives and programs that closely align with the goals of the Kelly Cares Foundation, established by Brian and Paqui Kelly to benefit the Notre Dame family to offer financial support to the University through one of its annual giving programs: the Notre Dame Annual Fund, the MBA and Law School annual funds, and the Rockne Heritage Fund.

Kelly’s head coaching resume includes:

— Three seasons at Central Michigan University from 2004-06, including a 19-16 overall record (.542) featuring a 9-4 mark and Mid-American Conference title in 2006.

— Thirteen seasons at Grand Valley State University from 1991-2003, including a 108-55-2 record (.657) highlighted by NCAA Division II national championships in 2002 (14-0) and 2003 (14-1).

— An overall record of 71-57-2 (.747) in those 19 seasons as a head coach.

He boasts a record in that game immediately after taking the job at Cincinnati, a 31-21 win over Southern Mississippi in the Popejohns.com Bowl after the ’07 season and a 20-7 loss to Virginia Tech in the FedEx Orange Bowl after the ’08 campaign.

Kelly’s ’08 Central Michigan team finished 9-4 and qualified for the Motor City Bowl (Central Michigan defeated Middle Tennessee 31-14, though he did not coach after accepting the head coaching position at Cincinnati) — and his 12-0 team in ’09 earned an Allstate Sugar Bowl assignment against once-beaten Florida.
Mik Aoki
Named 20th Head Baseball Coach

Mik Aoki (pronounced A-O-key), the only head baseball coach to lead Boston College to an NCAA Regional since 1967, was named the 20th head baseball coach at Notre Dame on July 13, 2010.

Aoki arrives in South Bend after a four-year stint in as the Eagle head coach in Chestnut Hill, Mass. He brought the Boston College baseball program into the national forefront after leading the Eagles to the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament each of the past two seasons (the only two ACC Tournament appearances in school history) and their first NCAA Regional appearance in 42 years (2009).

In 2009, the Eagles nearly knocked off No. 1 national seed Texas in an NCAA-record 25-inning game that would have propelled them to the finals of the ’09 Austin Regional and given Boston College a great chance at reaching its first Super Regional in program history.

Aoki’s ’09 squad qualified for its first ACC Tournament and made a statement there as well. Entering the tournament needing at least one win to likely ensure a spot in an NCAA regional, the Eagles lost their first game to seventh-ranked Florida State. Boston College responded emphatically, beating 13th-ranked Georgia Tech and 16th-ranked Miami in the next two games by a combined score of 17-4 to earn its bid to Austin.

The Eagles’ 34-26 overall record qualified as their best since 2005 and their 13-15 record in ACC play marked the most league wins since joining the conference in 2006 (Boston College eclipsed that total in 2010 with 14). The New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association tabbed Boston College as its team of the year for its performance.

Aoki has coached 28 Major League Baseball draft picks and four free-agent signees since his arrival at Boston College in 2004. Three of those draft picks have been first-round selections in Mike Belfiore, Chris Lambert and Tony Sanchez. In addition, 16 of those 28 picks have been pitchers and two (Lambert, Joe Martinez) have reached the Major League level.

In the 2010 first-year MLB player draft, Boston College had six players selected, most in program history. In fact, three Eagles were taken in the first 10 rounds of the draft — another program first.

Boston College also had a major presence in the ’09 draft, as Sanchez was selected fourth overall by the Pittsburgh Pirates, the highest pick ever for the Eagles’ baseball program. Belfiore was then taken in Comp Round A (45th overall) by the Arizona Diamondbacks, making the pair the two highest draft picks taken in the same draft from Boston College.

Aoki mentored six all-ACC performers in his four seasons as head coach, including the program’s only two first-team nominees in Sanchez (2009) and Mickey Wiswall (2010). Four Eagles earned all-conference honors in 2009, the most since joining the ACC. Aoki’s teams also produced eight all-New England selections, five all-ACC Academic Team members and two All-Americans (Belfiore and Sanchez).

Prior to being named Boston College head coach, Aoki spent three seasons (2004-06) as pitching coach for the Eagles. In 2004, he oversaw a staff that had five pitchers sign professional contracts at season’s end.

Prior to his arrival in Chestnut Hill, Aoki spent five years (1999-2003) as Columbia head coach as his teams won 20 or more games in each of his last three seasons. Before the Aoki era, the Lions had not posted a 20-win season since 1987.

Before assuming his duties at Columbia, Aoki spent four years (1995-98) as assistant coach at Dartmouth. In that position, he focused his efforts on the team’s infielders and hitters, while also serving as the program’s recruiting coordinator.

He began his coaching career in 1992 as head coach at Manchester (Conn.) Community College, then served two seasons (1993-94) as an assistant coach at Ohio University.

Aoki earned four letters and started for three years in baseball at Davidson (1987-90), as a second baseman, third baseman and catcher. He still ranks among the school’s career leaders in slugging percentage (.547, eighth) and batting average (.335, ninth). In his senior season (1990), he finished with a team-leading .365 batting average. He stroked 20 doubles in his final season, second most in a single year in Davidson history. He also cracked 13 home runs in 1988, fifth-best total in a single season at Davidson. Two of those homers were grand slams — and only six other players in Davidson history have hit two grand slams in a season.

Aoki owns an undergraduate degree from Davidson in English (1990) and a master’s degree from Ohio University in physical education in athletic administration (1994).

He and his wife, Sue, have three children — son Kai (5), and daughters Bryn (2) and Reese (six months).
“Being at Notre Dame has been a real blessing to the work I have been doing overseas. I’ve already learned a great deal from people across many different departments here on campus, but what I’m most excited about is serving and coaching with current and former Notre Dame athletes.”

Kevin Dugan
COORDINATOR OF MEN’S LACROSSE OPERATIONS
AVON-BY-THE-SEA, N.J.
Notre Dame men’s lacrosse operations coordinator Kevin Dugan and former Irish football tight end Oscar McBride (a ’94 Notre Dame graduate) are combining with Notre Dame faculty member Clark Power (he runs the “Play Like A Champion” youth sports ministry) on a spinoff of Dugan’s “Fields of Growth” program in Africa.

Dugan and McBride headed to Uganda for the first two weeks of August 2010 to work at a Catholic parish in Masaka called Our Lady of the Assumption. The parish is in the same village where Dugan’s “Fields of Growth” lacrosse work has been taking place. While there, they have launched a human development initiative that intersects athletics, children and the church.

The pair started a flag football program—“Our Lady’s League”—for boys in the village, instituting Notre Dame’s “Play Like A Champion” youth sports materials that were put together by Power at the Center for Ethical Education and ACE on the Notre Dame campus. McBride has been sharing the concept with some of his former Irish football teammates and hopes to eventually involve some of them in the program.

Fields of Growth International is a nonprofit organization that operates in southwest Uganda. The organization was founded on the basis of sharing passion, joy and gifts with the less fortunate, and uses the game of lacrosse as a relational platform to foster friendships and deliver education, health care and various forms of human development.
Brian Boulac Retires
Following Distinguished Tenure Within Athletics Department

Irish legend Brian Boulac, with 40 years of experience on the Notre Dame athletic staff as both a full-time coach and administrator, retired from the University in August 2009.

He originally came to Notre Dame in 1959 to play football, earned both bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University — then returned to campus to coach first football, later softball, and also served 24 years with the Notre Dame athletic administration.

From the time he enrolled as a freshman at Notre Dame in ’59 through the 2008 season, Boulac saw (or played in) every Notre Dame home football game for 50 consecutive seasons (282 games).

Boulac matriculated at a time when freshmen were not eligible to play on the varsity squad — and he wore a leather helmet during that first season in ’59. A three-year member of the varsity football team, he earned a monogram as a sophomore player at Notre Dame in 1960. Following his graduation from the University in 1963, he had a tryout with the NFL’s St. Louis Cardinals, but elected to stay on campus as a graduate assistant coach under interim head coach Hugh Devore in ’63. Ara Parseghian retained him as a graduate assistant from 1964–67 and Boulac served as assistant freshman football coach in 1966–67 (helping the 1966 varsity team win a national championship).

Parseghian brought him on staff as an offensive line coach on Feb. 1, 1970. Over the next 13 years at various times, Boulac coached the offensive and defensive lines, receivers and special teams under Parseghian, Dan Devine and Gerry Faust. He spent the last seven years of his coaching career as recruiting coordinator for the football program. In its March 3, 1975, issue, Time recognized his recruiting technique in an article titled “Brian’s Pitch.”

He also served as administrative assistant to Devine for two years and as assistant head coach for two years under Faust. Boulac was a member of the coaching staff for eight seasons that culminated in postseason bowl appearances, including six Irish victories (three Cotton, one Orange, one Sugar, one Gator). In addition, he was the offensive line coach on Notre Dame’s 1973 and 1977 national championship teams. In 1999, the All-American Football Foundation honored him for his years of service as an assistant coach.

Boulac worked for 24 years as an athletic administrator at the University. After 13 years as a member of the Irish football coaching staff, at the invitation of athletic director Gene Corrigan, Boulac moved into the administrative ranks in March 1983 working with all of the Notre Dame athletic teams.

As the administrative staff expanded, Boulac served as an administrator for various Irish teams, including men’s and women’s track and field and cross country, men’s and women’s swimming and diving, softball, hockey, volleyball, baseball, and men’s and women’s fencing — with the fencing program earning national championship honors in 1986 (men, 1987 (women), 1994, 2003 and 2005 (the last three combined). Boulac was an eight-year member of the NCAA Division I Fencing Committee and served as chairman of that committee in 1996–97. He is a member of the United States Fencing Association college and high school advisory committee. He worked the fencing venue at the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, Ga.

Boulac spent four seasons (1989-92) as the first head coach of the Notre Dame women’s softball team. During his tenure, he guided the Irish to four 30-win seasons, including Midwestern Collegiate Conference tournament titles in 1990 and 1991, and the league’s regular-season title in 1992. In 1999, the first varsity season for the program, he was selected as MCC Coach of the Year.

While serving as the general manager of the Joyce Center prior to his retirement, Boulac was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the building, including personnel management, budget management, crowd control, technical services, custodial services and special events.

IN THE NEWS

Notre Dame Sports Performance Program

Meeting the performance needs of Notre Dame student-athletes has been one of Jack Swarbrick’s key initiatives since taking over as athletic director two years ago. Part of the athletic department’s focus in the 2009-10 school year was the establishment of the Sports Performance Program. The program was created to enhance the critical support systems that contribute to the physical welfare and on-field performance of Irish student-athletes. The program focuses on the areas of strength and conditioning, athletic training/rehabilitation, sports medicine, sports nutrition, sports psychology and equipment with the goal of assisting all athletic teams to achieve maximum athletic success.

Associate athletic director Mike Karwowski, who previously worked in the compliance area at Notre Dame for 18 years, heads up the effort.

One of the department’s goals is to work extensively to test various athletic functions to maximize the output of each individual student-athlete. Karwowski has enlisted help and input from Dr. James Moriarity, chief physician at the University and director of its sports medicine program, and Greg Crawford, dean of the College of Science.

As part of the new initiative, Notre Dame’s strength and conditioning program now is headed up by two individuals — Tony Bolinski (director of strength and conditioning for Olympic sports) and Paul Longo (director of football strength and conditioning).

Bolinski, a member of the Irish strength and conditioning staff since 1998, is responsible for the development and implementation of the strength and conditioning programming for 25 Irish sports and manages a staff of six individuals that includes a sports nutritionist.

Longo, who came to Notre Dame in January 2010 following three seasons at the University of Cincinnati, is a veteran in the field of strength and conditioning with 18 years of experience working with NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision schools. He overseas two assistant directors that also work day to day with the football team.
Warren Golf Course Hosts 2010 WAPL Championship

In addition to the NCAA Men’s Central Region Golf Championship, the Warren Golf Course also played host to the 2010 U.S. Women’s Amateur Public Links Championship June 21–26. The U.S. Women’s Amateur Public Links is one of 13 national championships conducted annually by the United States Golf Association. The tournament is open to amateur golfers who, since Jan. 1, 2010, have not held privileges at any private club maintaining its own course. Rising Irish junior Becca Huffer and incoming freshman Nicole Zhang advanced to the Round of 32 match play in the event.

During its 10-year existence, the Warren Golf Course also has played host to two U.S. Amateur qualifiers, two Western Amateur qualifiers, two NCAA Men’s Central Region championships and five BIG EAST Conference events. In 2011, the course will be the site of the NCAA Women’s Central Region Championship.

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Notre Dame Plays Host To Three NCAA Championships In 2009–10

The 2009–10 school year proved to be a busy one for staff members within the Notre Dame athletics department as the University played host to three NCAA championships during the academic year.

March 2010 was hectic as Notre Dame hosted the NCAA Women’s Basketball Championships first and second rounds at Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center for the second straight year from March 21–23. The Irish were joined by Cleveland State, Wisconsin and Vermont in the four-team field as Notre Dame earned the No. 2 seed in the Kansas City Region. The three games drew an average of 6,129 fans.

Coach Muffet McGraw’s squad advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 with wins over Cleveland State (86–58) and Vermont (84–66).

One week following the women’s basketball tournament, the Irish athletic department staff was busy again, this time two hours from campus as Notre Dame served as host to the 2000 NCAA Midwest Hockey Regional, March 27–29 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Two Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) teams, the Miami Redhawks and Michigan Wolverines, earned the No. 1 and No. 3 seeds in the Midwest Regional, respectively, while Bemidji State was the No. 2 and Alabama-Huntsville was seeded No. 4.

Miami advanced out of the regional to the NCAA Frozen Four in Detroit, Mich. The highly successful two-day tournament in Fort Wayne was one of the best attended of the four regional sites.

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“Notre Dame is an amazing place. I tell people all the time that there’s a difference between playing in front of 80,000 people and playing in front of 80,000 Notre Dame fans. People have so much passion for this place. If you had told me a few years ago that I would even be on the Notre Dame team, I would’ve probably laughed.”

Mike Anello ’09

FOOTBALL
BA IN FINANCE
ORLAND PARK, ILL.

» 2008 and 2009 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Second Team
» 2008 and 2009 Notre Dame Knute Rockne Student-Athlete of the Year
» 2009 ARA Sportsmanship Award Finalist
» 2009 Irish Leadership Committee
» 2009 Lott Award Watch List
» 2008 Nick Pietrosante Award
In the 2008 season-opening football matchup against San Diego State, special teams gunner Mike Anello made four tackles. While the four stops may have been seemingly ordinary on paper, they changed Anello’s life forever.

Anello parlayed the efforts from that contest into what would become a personal storybook season. The statistics show that Anello finished the 2008 campaign with 23 special team tackles, two forced fumbles and a blocked punt. But Irish fans will likely use his name alongside of “Rudy,” as the once walk-on defender who finished his undergraduate degree in 2009 before taking graduate classes while exercising a fifth year of eligibility so greatly impressed the coaching staff that he was awarded an athletic scholarship.

The two-time Academic All-American was also twice named the team’s Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete of the Year. While the undersized Anello (5-10, 180) won over the hearts of the Notre Dame nation on the field with his grit, determination and hard work, he continues to serve as an inspiration for young student-athletes as a living testament that dreams do come true.
Golden Tate

Golden Tate, the most prolific receiver in Notre Dame history, captured the Biletnikoff Award as the nation’s top wide receiver in 2009 as he became the school’s first-ever recipient of the award.

A consensus first-team All-American, Tate capped off the best receiving season in Notre Dame football history in ’09 as he finished with 93 receptions for 1,496 yards and 15 receiving touchdowns. Tate added two rushing TDs, one punt return for a score and totaled 1,915 all-purpose yards, second most in Irish single-season history.

Tate, who passed up his final year of eligibility and was drafted in the second round of the 2010 NFL Draft, recorded 2,707 career receiving yards on 157 receptions with 26 TDs. On the all-time Notre Dame career lists, he ranks second in career TD receptions and is tied for third in career receptions.

Randy Waldrum

Women’s soccer coach Randy Waldrum was selected as the 2009 Soccer America National Coach of the Year. It marked the first time that the 11th-year Irish head coach had been chosen for a national coaching honor.

In ’09, Waldrum produced one of the finest coaching performances of his storied 28-year career as he guided the Irish to a 21-4-1 record, their fourth consecutive NCAA College Cup appearance and a No. 4 ranking in the final NSCAA and Soccer America polls.

During the course of the season, Notre Dame produced a 19-game unbeaten streak (18-0-1) and shut out 13 opponents in that stretch on the way to claiming the program’s 12th BIG EAST conference regular-season title and 11th BIG EAST Championship crown. The Irish then charged through the four rounds of the NCAA Championships, outscoring their opponents by a 14-1 margin, capped by a 2-0 win at sixth-ranked (and top-seeded) Florida State in the NCAA quarterfinals to book their fourth consecutive NCAA College Cup appearance and fifth in six years.

Colleen Rielley

Senior Colleen Rielley earned the NCAA Elite 88 Award for women’s tennis and was Notre Dame’s first-ever and only recipient in the inaugural season of the award being presented.

The Elite 88 was presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average participating at the finals site for each of the NCAA’s 88 championships.

A three-time Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar-Athlete, Rielley graduated in May 2010 with a degree in finance from the Mendoza College of Business and a 3.874 grade-point average. She registered more than 60 singles and 80 doubles victories during her career.

Rielley and her teammates reached the semifinals of the 2010 NCAA Women’s Tennis Championship for the second straight year.

Ring Of Honor

Three-time All-American Luke Harangody in 2010 became the first inductee into Notre Dame’s Ring of Honor in a new tradition at Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center.

A banner honoring Harangody’s number 44 was unveiled prior to the Pittsburgh game on Feb. 24, 2010, and permanently will hang in the rafters of Purcell Pavilion.

Beginning in 2010–11, the Notre Dame athletics department plans to honor annually additional former and present men’s and women’s basketball and volleyball players who have made distinguished and noteworthy contributions during their careers while student-athletes at the University. A committee that will consist of Irish coaches and administrators will be formed to determine future inductees.

Scott Rodgers

Senior goalie Scott Rodgers, the catalyst behind Notre Dame’s improbable run to the program’s first-ever appearance in the title game of the 2010 NCAA Division I Men’s Lacrosse Championship, was named Most Outstanding Player of the tournament. He and teammates Zach Brenneman and Kevin Ridgway also were selected to the all-tournament team.

Rodgers’ selection marked the fifth time that the Most Outstanding Player honor was awarded to a member of the team that lost in the championship (the Irish lost to Duke 6-5 in overtime). He made 53 saves (13.25 per game) and surrendered just 23 goals (5.75 per game) during the four games of the tournament. Rodgers and the Notre Dame defense held the Blue Devils to their lowest goal total of the season in the championship game.

A two-time All-America honoree, he finished his stellar Notre Dame career with a 24-6 record to go along with a 6.77 goals-against average and a .642 save percentage.

MAJOR AWARD WINNERS

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Baseball

• Joe Hastings and Jesse Woods, two members of the Irish All-American Baseball Rules Committee and is currently serving in his fourth year on that committee.

• Kevin Lord (sixth round, 184th overall selection) in the second round. The Toronto Nationals in the second round (seventh overall) and Morrow (28th overall selection) in the second round. NWHL teams. Quarterback Jimmy Clausen was the 48th overall pick (16th overall) by the Atlanta Braves. Four picks following Young’s selection, offensive lineman Eric Olsen was selected by the Denver Broncos.

Football

• Head coach Muffet McGraw was introduced at the 2010 State Farm Coaches Tip-Off Classic in November, and then will be enshrined during the Hall’s 21st and 22nd annual Induction Weekend in June 2011 at the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame in Knoxville, Tenn. Four members of the 2010 Notre Dame football team were chosen in the first and second rounds of the Major League Soccer (MLS) SuperDraft. Dike went to the Columbus Crew in the first round (12th overall selection), while the San Jose Earthquakes took both Thomas (19th overall selection) and Morrow (28th overall selection) in the second round.

Men’s Track & Field

• The 11th round as the 343rd overall pick by the Pittsburgh Penguins, and another incoming freshman, Kevin Lord (sixth overall by the Anaheim Ducks).

Men’s Soccer

• Rising senior Recca Huffler and Zhang both advanced to the round of 32 in June at the 2010 Women’s Amateur Public Links Championship (WAPL) that was held at Notre Dame Warren Golf Course.

Women’s Golf

• In April, 2010 graduate Ashley Barlow finished second in the three-point competition at the 22nd annual State Farm College Slam Dunk and Three-Point Championships in her hometown of Indianapolis, Ind.

Women’s Lacrosse

• Former Irish All-American Crysti Foote and former Towson assistant Nick Williams joined head coach Tracy Cauney’s women’s lacrosse staff in July following the departures of Kateri Linville (named head coach at the University of Delaware) and Meredith Simon (relocated to San Francisco, Calif., area and became an assistant at the University of California-Berkeley).

Women’s Soccer

• Rising women’s soccer senior Lauren Fowlkes and rising junior forwards Melissa Henderson and Jessica Schueller competed with the United States Under-23 National Team at the Four Nations Tournament in Leicester, England, in July as the squad faced off against England, Norway and Sweden. Notre Dame and Portland were the only two schools to have three players named to the team.

Fencing

• In July 2010, 14 members of the Notre Dame fencing team competed at the U.S. Summer Championships at the Georgia World Congress Center. Sophomore Courtney Hurley won the women’s epee title, while sophomore Liam Oster captured the men’s saber event. Sophomore Reggie Bentley earned a third-place result in the men’s foil open division. Earlier in the year, Hurley captured duur Junior World Championship gold medals in epee in Canada, Finland, Germany, and Hungary along with winning bronze at the 2010 NCAA Championships.

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Hockey

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Men’s Track & Field

• Notre Dame’s rising sophomore tandem of J.P. Malette and Jeremy Rae competed in the 1500 meters at the 2010 World Junior Track and Field Championships in July in Moncton, New Brunswick as both represented their native Canada.

Men’s Lacrosse

• Scott Rodgers was the first pick in the second round (seventh overall selection) by the Toronto Nationals in the 2000 Major League Lacrosse (MLL) collegiate draft, while Grant Kibbs went in the eighth round (48th overall pick) to the Boston Cannons.

Fencing

• In July 2010, 14 members of the Notre Dame fencing team competed at the U.S. Summer Championships at the Georgia World Congress Center. Sophomore Courtney Hurley won the women’s epee title, while sophomore Liam Oster captured the men’s saber event. Sophomore Reggie Bentley earned a third-place result in the men’s foil open division. Earlier in the year, Hurley captured duur Junior World Championship gold medals in epee in Canada, Finland, Germany, and Hungary along with winning bronze at the 2010 NCAA Championships.

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Men’s Soccer

• Rising senior Recca Huffler and Zhang both advanced to the round of 32 in June at the 2010 Women’s Amateur Public Links Championship (WAPL) that was held at Notre Dame Warren Golf Course.

Women’s Lacrosse

• Former Irish All-American Crysti Foote and former Towson assistant Nick Williams joined head coach Tracy Cauney’s women’s lacrosse staff in July following the departures of Kateri Linville (named head coach at the University of Delaware) and Meredith Simon (relocated to San Francisco, Calif., area and became an assistant at the University of California-Berkeley).

Women’s Soccer

• Rising women’s soccer senior Lauren Fowlkes and rising junior forwards Melissa Henderson and Jessica Schueller competed with the United States Under-23 National Team at the Four Nations Tournament in Leicester, England, in July as the squad faced off against England, Norway and Sweden. Notre Dame and Portland were the only two schools to have three players named to the team.

Fowlkes was one of 24 players invited in January to the U.S. Under-23 Women’s National Team Camp.

• 2010 graduate Michele Weissenhofer was chosen in the fourth round of the 2010 Women’s Professional Soccer Draft.
“Treating the illness is just a part of being a doctor. My drive is to be more understanding of the humanistic side. Being at Notre Dame reaffirmed and strengthened my passion of dedicating my life to serve others. For four years, personal mentors like (University president) Father John Jenkins and (men’s swimming coach) Tim Welsh provided shining examples of how to live a life of service. Not only did I see such examples in these two men, but every day with each interaction with faculty, staff and fellow classmates and student-athletes.”
Freestyler PAT LLOYD swam hundreds of thousands of yards in the pool for the Irish as a four-year letterwinner, even perhaps enough to get him to his next stop for the upcoming year—South Africa.

Lloyd, who has deferred enrollment into medical school for one year, trekked to South Africa just weeks after graduation to volunteer at a 32-child orphanage in the town of Komga.

Lloyd is currently working with children stricken with AIDS who have been abandoned by their families. He serves as a role model for the children and assists them in the classroom while also assuming the role as a medical overseer.

The humanistic side of life is something that Lloyd cherishes in his newfound experience. When he returns to the United States, he plans to pursue a career in pediatric oncology.
Student-athletes at the University of Notre Dame face the challenging task of combining rigorous scholarly endeavors with physical training and competition on a competitive national stage. Although the bar of expectation is set high both on and off the field, a supportive environment helps Irish varsity athletes excel in the classroom and in their respective sports.

More than 65 percent of Notre Dame’s student-athletes posted a grade-point average above 3.0 during the 2009–10 academic year, while more than 36 percent owned a grade-point average above 3.4. In the fall semester, 461 student-athletes (65.4 percent) posted above a 3.0, while 473 student-athletes (68.7 percent) achieved better than a 3.0 mark in the spring. Two hundred and fifty-four student-athletes (36 percent) earned above a 3.4 in the fall, while 262 (38 percent) surpassed that impressive standard in the spring. Twenty-three of 26 varsity teams recorded an annual grade-point average above the 3.0 bar for 2009–10. The average grade-point mark for all student-athletes at Notre Dame was 3.131 in the fall and 3.173 in the spring.

Sixty-nine (9.8 percent) student-athletes made the Dean’s List in the fall semester of 2009, while over 10 percent (72) placed their names on that honor sheet in the fall. Twelve student-athletes earned a perfect 4.0 grade-point average in the fall, while seven received a 4.0 in the spring.

The women’s golf team recorded the highest team grade-point average in the fall at 3.439, while the women’s tennis squad earned that honor in the spring with a 3.574 mark. Women’s tennis also had the highest annual team GPA with a 3.494.

Women’s swimming achieved its highest semester grade-point average in history with a 3.343 mark in the fall of 2009, while women’s tennis turned in its best performance ever with a 3.574 average in the spring. That figure is the highest Notre Dame team grade-point average on record.

Men’s tennis earned its highest cumulative grade-point average in the fall with a 3.388 figure, while women’s tennis did the same in the spring with its 3.521 mark.
BIG EAST Honorees

Irish men’s basketball player Tim Abromaitis, rower Sarah Keithley and men’s tennis player Tyler Davis received BIG EAST Scholar-Athlete Sport Excellence Awards from the conference’s Faculty Athletics Representatives Council.

These awards are given annually to one student-athlete in each BIG EAST sport based on academic credentials, athletic accolades and performances and volunteer service in the community. Only students who have attained junior academic status and a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 are eligible for the honors.

Notre Dame, Connecticut and Louisville each had three recipients among the 16 conference institutions.

Irish seniors Cosmina Ciobanu (women’s tennis) and John Lytle (men’s swimming) both earned BIG EAST Conference Scholar-Athlete Awards as the institutional representatives for the University of Notre Dame. Each received a $2,000 scholarship toward graduate studies.

In addition, 347 student-athletes were named BIG EAST Academic All-Stars, earning an annual GPA of 3.0 or better.

To be eligible for the awards, which are administered by College Sports Information Directors of America, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain at least a cumulative grade-point average of 3.30 on a 4.0 scale, and attained at least sophomore athletic and academic standing at his/her current institution.

Since the program’s inception in 1952, Notre Dame has produced 216 Academic All-Americans, second behind Nebraska’s 277. Those two schools have each had 90 Academic All-Americans since 2000. The Irish rank in the top 10 in several sports for the number of honorees — baseball (first), women’s soccer (first), men’s at-large (third), football (third), softball (sixth), men’s track/cross country (sixth) and men’s basketball (10th).

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BIG EAST Team Honors

Two of Notre Dame’s 22 sports that compete in the BIG EAST Conference were honored with the 2009–10 BIG EAST Academic Team Excellence Awards recognizing the highest collective grade-point averages in each conference sport. The Fighting Irish baseball and men’s lacrosse teams were recipients of the third annual awards. Baseball posted a 3.117 grade-point average, while men’s lacrosse had a collective grade-point average of 3.065. Eleven BIG EAST schools had at least one team represented on the list with Providence pacing all schools with a conference-best five teams honored. DePaul and Syracuse each finished with four selections, while the Irish were joined by Cincinnati, Louisville and St. John’s with two. West Virginia, Rutgers, Georgetown and USF each saw one team named to the list.
“It’s just incredible to see how the Notre Dame and South Bend communities have joined forces to take this fight against breast cancer to a whole new level. The WBCA Pink Zone initiative has been an amazing catalyst in helping to spark the unity and teamwork necessary to make a difference and support everyone who is working hard to put an end to this disease once and for all.”

— Muffet McGraw

NOTRE DAME WOMEN’S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH
The Notre Dame women’s basketball program raised $103,750 as part of the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Pink Zone breast cancer initiative during the 2009–10 season.

That total not only more than doubled the 2009 year’s fundraising total of more than $45,000, but it also far surpassed Notre Dame’s preseason goal of $55,000 for its 2009–10 Pink Zone campaign.

The Irish went far and wide throughout the Michiana area in 2009–10, undertaking a variety of activities to raise money for the WBCA Pink Zone project, which is now in its third year of existence: collections at each home game during the 2009–10 season, proceeds from the team’s annual Tip-Off Luncheon, sales of special pink T-shirts, sales of “in memory/honor of” cards through the Varsity Shop, and donations from Notre Dame women’s basketball alumnae, as well as the Notre Dame Monogram Club and local sponsors.

A silent auction that featured more than 100 specialty items and entertainment packages, and raised $16,000, a full $5,000 more than the 2009 total and all 15 Irish players and student managers donated their post-game per diem to the cause.

The Notre Dame women’s basketball program also is largely indebted to several on-campus groups that played a key role in the success of the Pink Zone initiative at Notre Dame during the 2009–10 season, including the College of Science, the College of Arts and Letters, Relay for Life and the dedicated members of the Pink Zone On-Campus Committee.
Eight Irish Teams Earn Perfect NCAA Academic Progress Rate Scores
All 26 athletics programs at the University of Notre Dame again exceeded the NCAA’s Academic Progress Rate Standards as eight Irish athletic teams earned perfect 1,000 scores in the sixth annual set of APR statistics issued by the NCAA in May 2010.

The 2010 report released by the NCAA featured a four-year compilation of APR data from the 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 academic years. The APR uses a series of formulas related to student-athlete retention and eligibility to measure the academic performance of all participants who receive grants-in-aid on every team at every Division I college and university.

The following Irish teams registered perfect 1,000 scores:
- Men’s Cross Country
- Men’s Golf
- Rowing
- Women’s Soccer
- Men’s Tennis
- Women’s Tennis
- Men’s Indoor Track and Field
- Men’s Outdoor Track and Field

Duke finished first among the Football Bowl Subdivision programs as 10 of its teams had perfect scores, followed by Notre Dame with eight and Boston College with seven.

Thirteen other Irish teams produced near perfect scores of 990 or better — men’s lacrosse (998), women’s lacrosse (997), softball (996), hockey (994), men’s swimming and diving (994), women’s swimming and diving (994), volleyball (994), men’s soccer (993), men’s golf (992), women’s golf (991), women’s cross country (990), women’s indoor track and field (990) and women’s cross country (990).

In the Football Bowl Subdivision, institutions with top APR figures in football included Rutgers (992), Air Force (988), Rice (987), Northwestern (986), Duke (983), and Notre Dame and Miami ( Fla.) with 978 each.

The Irish had 14 of their programs honored for multi-year achievement — men’s basketball, men’s cross country, football, men’s golf, hockey, men’s lacrosse, rowing, men’s soccer, women’s soccer, softball, men’s tennis, women’s tennis, men’s indoor track and field and men’s outdoor track and field. Only one other Division I football-playing institution had more programs honored than Notre Dame in 2009–10. Duke had 15, followed by Notre Dame. Next in line were Boston College (13), Northwestern (10), the U.S. Naval Academy (nine), Stanford and North Carolina (eight each), Vanderbilt (seven) and Rice, Michigan and Virginia (six each).

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nationally based on the federal rate, and Irish football players graduated at a 85 percent rate, to rank third.

In the GSR standings, the Irish scored a sweep. In addition to its number-one ranking for all student-athletes, Notre Dame finished tied for first among female student athletes at 100 (the U.S. Naval Academy also finished at 100), first among male student-athletes at 98 percent (ahead of the Naval Academy and Duke at 97), first among football players at 96 percent (tied with Duke), and first among black student-athletes at 97 percent (ahead of the Naval Academy and Vanderbilt at 93).

The NCAA also calculated graduation rates over a 10-year period (student-athletes who entered from 1993–94 through 2002–03). During those 10 years, Notre Dame had 635 student-athletes who exhausted their eligibility — and 100 percent of them graduated within the allotted six-year period. By comparison, Northwestern had a 100 percent rate, Vanderbilt, Duke and Boston College recorded 99 percent, and Rice had a 98 percent rate.

Nine Notre Dame Teams Post Graduation Rates of 100 Percent

Nine of the University of Notre Dame’s athletic programs posted federal graduation rates of 100 percent, according to figures released in January 2010 by the NCAA.

In addition, two other Irish sports ranked first nationally among NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision schools, based on the University’s institutional research.

The federal figures showed that — among Notre Dame’s men’s sports — fencing, lacrosse, and swimming and diving achieved 100 percent scores. Soccer scored 95 (good for first place), cross country/track and field scored 94, and hockey 92 (also good for first place).

Among the Irish women’s programs, cross country/track and field, fencing, golf, lacrosse, rowing and tennis all posted 100 scores. Volleyball scored 92, and swimming and diving scored 91.

Notre Dame ranked second among the NCAA FBS (formerly Division I-A) in 100 scores with its nine. Only Stanford had more with 13 (Stanford had 27 sports rated compared to Notre Dame’s 22).

Eleven Irish programs had federal rates that ranked them first within their sport among the NCAA FBS subset of 120 schools, while four other programs finished among the top 10:

- **Men’s Lacrosse** finished by itself in first place with its 100 score — followed by Duke at 92 and Virginia at 94.
- **Men’s Fencing** at 100 tied for first with Stanford.
- **Men’s Swimming** at 100 tied for first with Miami (Fla.).
- **Women’s Cross Country/Track and Field** at 100 tied for first with Boston College, Duke, Penn State, USC and Virginia.
- **Women’s Fencing** at 100 tied for first with Northwestern and Penn State.
- **Women’s Golf** at 100 tied for first with 16 other schools.
- **Women’s Lacrosse** at 100 tied for first with Boston College, Connecticut, Duke and Virginia.
- **Women’s Rowing** at 100 tied for first with North Carolina and UCLA.
- **Women’s Tennis** at 100 tied for first with 21 other schools.
- **Hockey** at 92 ranked first — followed by Western Michigan at 73, Miami (Ohio) at 68 and Boston College at 65.
- **Men’s Soccer** at 95 ranked first, followed by Vanderbilt (93), Duke and Stanford (both at 92).
- **Football** at 85 ranked third (tied with Stanford), behind Duke (89) and Boston College (86).

The 2009 data tracked the graduation rates of all first-year, grant-in-aid student-athletes who enrolled from 1999 through 2002 (all statistics represent four classes combined). The federal graduation rate methodology used by the Department of Education counts all student-athletes who transfer from or leave an institution for any reason as non-graduates from their initial school, even if they leave in good academic standing.

**Baseball** at 79 ranked sixth behind Boston College (100), Northwestern (95), Stanford (91), Michigan (84) and Minnesota (83).

**Men’s Cross Country/Track and Field** at 94 ranked eighth (tied with Wake Forest) — only behind Arkansas State, Duke, Idaho, Miami (Fla.), New Mexico State, SMU and USC.

**Volleyball** at 92 ranked 10th (tied with five other schools) — behind only Akron, Bowling Green, Louisville, Northwestern, Oregon State, Tulane, Utah, Virginia and Wake Forest (all at 100).

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**Magazine Ranks Eight Irish Sports Among Nation’s Top 15 for Academic and Athletic Excellence**

In STACK magazine’s third annual survey (released in January 2010) of colleges and universities with the best combination of academic and athletic excellence, eight Irish teams ranked among the nation’s top 15 in their respective sports.

The Notre Dame hockey and women’s soccer teams ranked number two in their sports, while men’s soccer and men’s lacrosse both finished third, women’s tennis was ninth, men’s cross country was 10th and men’s basketball and men’s tennis both stood 15th.

Notre Dame ranked 17th overall as the magazine based its rankings on academics, athletic opportunity and overall performance. The top 20 universities in the survey were, in order: Stanford, Florida, North Carolina, Texas, USC, Michigan, UCLA, Duke, California, Texas A&M, Virginia, Arizona State, Florida State, Ohio State, Georgia, Penn State, Notre Dame, Maryland, Washington and Connecticut.
“I live my life to make my dad proud. For the 15 years that he raised me, he made me into the man I am now and the father I’ll be some day. The spiritual and financial support our organization has received from Notre Dame has been nothing short of incredible. From the first day on campus for freshman orientation, we are told that being a student at Notre Dame means you’re part of the Notre Dame family. While it may be cliché at some places, it is the absolute truth here. I’m so glad this University and my ‘family’ here is helping me honor my father in a number of truly special ways.”

Ryan Connolly ’09

BASEBALL
BA IN PSYCHOLOGY AND PRE-PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
BINGHAMTON, N.Y.

» 2010 Southshore Showdown Most Valuable Player
» 2010 Irish Baseball Classic All-Tournament Team
» 2010 Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Michael Connolly was a hardworking family man and dedicated baseball coach. Despite his athletic background and the fact that he did not smoke, Connolly died from lung cancer in August 2002 at the age of 39.

Michael’s son, Notre Dame baseball player Ryan Connolly, has continued to honor his father’s legacy by working with the Michael E. Connolly Endowment for Lung Cancer Research at Upstate Medical University (N.Y.).

In less than three years of diligently collecting pledges and hosting golf tournaments and other fundraising events, Connolly and the foundation raised over $500,000.

The Connolly Endowment issued its first grant of $10,000, which was then matched by the Hendrick’s Fund at Upstate Medical University, to a group of researchers trying to determine if lung cancer patients who had surgery would also benefit from a cancer-inhibiting drug.
Although Notre Dame’s student-athletes are fully integrated within the University student body, those who participate in a varsity sport face a unique array of challenges, pressures and demands. The Office of Student Welfare and Development provides a variety of programs and opportunities for Irish student-athletes, managers and student trainers to develop skills that will help them succeed in and out of the classroom and make a successful transition to life after sports. Stressing service, relationships, diversity, education and leadership, student welfare and development designs educational programming and resources to encourage student-athletes to make positive decisions so they will reach their full potential as students, athletes and citizens.

Workshops and Seminars
During 2009–10, student welfare and development sponsored a number of educational seminars and fellowship meetings designed to assist student-athletes in their personal and spiritual growth.

- Orientation Seminar: 120 first-year student-athletes attended an orientation seminar that consisted of the play, “Sex Signals.” The production takes a different approach to providing information about sexual assault prevention through a humorous but serious look at dating rituals through the eyes of both genders. While student-athletes watched the play, 138 parents listened to speakers from Notre Dame’s departments of sports nutrition, sports medicine, academic student-services, compliance, residence life and alumni association. Athletics director Jack Swarbrick also spoke.

- Positive Transition Seminar: Sophomores, juniors and seniors attended a half-day symposium that offered information in a variety of areas. A media training session discussed how students could build their personal “brand” and use social networking safely. A career development seminar focused on how student-athletes can use their on-field leadership skills to successfully make the transition to the world of work. Students also learned resume-building techniques and interviewing skills. A third offering featured information on financial planning and career networking.

- Student welfare and development also continues to join forces with the Notre Dame Career Center to help student-athletes prepare for their futures. Over the last two years, the number of student-athletes using the services of the Career Center has increased 40 percent. Student-athletes could also participate in an alumni panel presentation, a resume drop, a General Electric information session, and networking and interviewing workshops.

- Fellowship of Christian Athletes provides weekly fellowship meetings as well as a spiritual retreat for student-athletes.
Rosenthal Leadership Academy

Ninety-nine student-athletes participated in the Rosenthal Leadership Academy, a year-long program of seminars and workshops for selected sophomores and juniors. Designed to help them develop effective leadership strategies, initiatives and skills, the Rosenthal Leadership Academy was created in 2002 through a gift from former Irish athletics director Dick Rosenthal.

Six student-athletes, deemed exceptional leaders by their coaches and teammates, were provided the Leaders of Distinction Award. The 2010 recipients were Tyler Davis (men’s fencing), Kelsey Ingram (cheerleading), John Lytle (swimming) received the Kanaly Award, given by the University’s Faculty Board on Athletics to student-athletes who have been most exemplary as students and leaders. The award carries the name of the 1964 Notre Dame graduate and former baseball player who went on to a successful banking career in Chicago and served on the University’s Board of Trustees until his death in 1960.

Community Service

During 2009–10, Notre Dame’s varsity teams contributed more than 5,700 hours of community service to a variety of organizations and causes throughout the Michiana area, including:

- Early Childhood Development Center
- JDRF Walk
- Fighting Irish Fight for Life (Memorial Pediatrics)
- YWCA
- Boys’ and Girls’ Club
- Martin Luther King Center
- St. John the Baptist School
- Corpus Christi School
- McKinley School
- Mary Frank School
- Buddy Walk
- Brown Intermediate School
- Jefferson Intermediate School
- Edison Intermediate School
- Lacrosse Clinic at Notre Dame
- Bike for Michiana
- Center for the Homeless
- Habitat for Humanity
- Monroe Circle Community Center
- Logan Center
- Breast Cancer Research Tip-off Dinner
- Fort Wayne Children’s Home
- New Haven United Way
- Family Support Network
- Charmers Day Nursery
- River City Boys and Girls Club
- Kinley School
- John the Baptist School
- Purcell Pavilion.

The Notre Dame women’s basketball team earned the annual Trophy for its service and work with several groups in the South Bend area during 2009–10. Irish players served as mentors to elementary school children, collected donations for Riley Children’s Hospital, participated in fundraisers for Fight 4 Life and run, and conducted basketball clinics at area youth centers and assisted in the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association’s “Pink Zone” campaign.

O.S.C.A.R.S.

More than 750 Irish student-athletes received recognition for their outstanding contributions on the field, in the classroom and in the community at the ninth annual O.S.C.A.R.S. (Outstanding Student-Athletes Celebrating Achievements and Recognition Showcase), the traditional year-ending gala inside Purcell Pavilion.

Originally created by the Student-Athlete Advisory Council, the event has become a signature event for student-athletes, coaches and athletics administrators. During the evening’s festivities, Notre Dame’s most exemplary athletes were honored with the Zorich Community Service Award, along with Zach Schirtz (fencing). Erica Williamson (women’s basketball) and Maggie Zentgraf (women’s lacrosse). Former Irish All-American and College Football Hall of Fame inductee Christopher Zorich established this award.

Kevin Deeth (hockey), Kali Krisik (women’s tennis), Mike Anello (football), Melissa Lechlitner (women’s basketball), Christine Lux (softball) and John Lytle (swimming) received the Kanaly Award, given by the University’s Faculty Board on Athletics to student-athletes who have been most exemplary as students and leaders. The award carries the name of the 1964 Notre Dame graduate and former baseball player who went on to a successful banking career in Chicago and served on the University’s Board of Trustees until his death in 1960.

Deeth and Krisik also were honored with the Zorich Community Service Award, along with Zach Schirtz (fencing). Erica Williamson (women’s basketball) and Maggie Zentgraf (women’s lacrosse). Former Irish All-American and College Football Hall of Fame inductee Christopher Zorich established this award.
"My teammates have been great—all the prayers and cards, and they sent me our team flag. They hung it up in the ICU and it was a big deal for me. It was a big part of my mental recovery, too. That’s Notre Dame. My goal always was to come back here."

Teddy Hodges ’11
FENCING
MAJORING IN ENGLISH
SALINA, KAN.
After battling a rare virus and recovering from a heart transplant, fencer TEDDY HODGES returned to campus after an eight-month recovery period to watch the Irish compete in the Notre Dame Duals in February 2010.

Hodges was hospitalized in June 2009 after suffering from a stroke. The stroke was a result of the viral myocarditis, a rare infection that attacked his heart. A three-month stay in the intensive care unit without much success prompted a recommendation for a heart transplant. Miraculously, the successful transplant was done in September and the recovery process was underway.

His Irish teammates routinely traveled to the Grotto to light candles for Hodges, and in an added show of support for one of its most supportive members, the 2009–10 fencing team wore wristbands during all their bouts that read, “Ted’s Team: We Stand Beside You.”

When Hodges returned to campus with the team’s Notre Dame flag raised above his head on that chilly February day to watch his teammates compete, he said his life once again felt normal, fittingly, with fencing.

Teddy’s official return is scheduled for the fall 2010 semester when he will continue as both a student and an athlete.
The Notre Dame athletic facility skyline sported a whole new look in the fall of 2009, and that landscape will continue to evolve through 2010–11.

Alumni Stadium, the new home of the Irish men’s and women’s soccer teams, opened in September, while Arlotta Stadium, new residence for the Notre Dame men’s and women’s lacrosse teams, was dedicated in October. By the end of that month, the south dome of the Joyce Center reopened as Purcell Pavilion, featuring all-new seating and the three-story Rosenthal Atrium as the facility’s primary entryway. The new Irish outdoor track facility, located southeast of the Joyce Center, also was completed in the summer of 2009.

The footprint for Notre Dame’s new freestanding ice arena, located south of the Joyce Center and just north of Edison Road, emerged in the spring of 2010 as workers laid the foundation. Construction is expected to be completed in time for the Irish hockey team’s 2011–12 season.

Purcell Pavilion
Purcell Pavilion, home to the Irish men’s and women’s basketball and volleyball teams, opened in October 2009 after a massive $26.3 million addition and renovation to the Joyce Center—a project that began with groundbreaking ceremonies in September of 2008. The finished product, which maintains the intimate environment that has provided a home-court advantage for Notre Dame since the facility first debuted in 1968, also houses Notre Dame’s ticket operations in the Murnane Family Ticket Offices, the Mike Leep Sr. Varsity Shop and Club Naimoli (right), an innovative club seating and hospitality area.

With 9,149 matching blue chair-back seats, Purcell Pavilion also features a redone concourse area with ivory-colored flooring to complement a variety of theming elements that highlight the history of the venue and the various programs and events that have occurred there over the last 41 years.

Club Naimoli, located at the top of the seating area on the south side of the arena, provides a spacious (16,500 square feet) and comfortable hospitality area that can be used during Irish basketball games and for University events and private functions.

Purcell Pavilion was dedicated on Feb. 4, 2010, prior to the Irish men’s basketball game against Cincinnati. Lead benefactor Phil Purcell, the retired chairman and chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley, sat on the Notre Dame bench that night and received framed jerseys from the men’s and women’s basketball and volleyball teams in a halftime presentation.

Club Naimoli, named after Notre Dame alumnus Vincent J. Naimoli and his family who provided the lead gift for that area, was dedicated in February prior to a Notre Dame women’s basketball game against Pittsburgh.

Dedication ceremonies in June 2010 featured the blessing of the Rosenthal Atrium, Murnane Family Ticket Office and Mike Leep Sr. Varsity Shop. The stunning three-story Rosenthal Atrium, now the primary entryway to Purcell Pavilion, is named after former Irish basketball star and athletic director Dick Rosenthal.
“Coach Jackson always challenges us to get involved in community service and to give something back.

This was big for our team because it’s our way of showing that we support what our troops are doing for us every day. As the Wounded Warrior Project says, ‘the greatest casualty is being forgotten.’ This shows that we haven’t forgotten their sacrifice, especially those who have been injured and need our help now that they are back home.”

— Kevin Deeth

SENIOR CAPTAIN, NOTRE DAME HOCKEY TEAM
The Notre Dame hockey team literally gave the shirts off their backs following the Jan. 30 game with Nebraska-Omaha at the Joyce Center. The Fighting Irish played that weekend series while sporting specially designed jerseys that honor Hockey Helpers and the Wounded Warrior Project. The jerseys were worn for the two-game series with the Mavericks and then auctioned off to the highest bidders to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project.

The idea for this unique fundraising project at Notre Dame came from senior alternate captain Kevin Deeth who worked with Irish equipment specialist Dave Gilbert and adidas in designing the jerseys that were worn.

An online auction netted over $16,600 for 28 jerseys. The Irish also had several benefactors, including a Notre Dame hockey alum, who combined to add $25,000 in matching funds for a total of $41,604.60 that went to the Wounded Warrior Project that provides programs and services designed to ease the burdens of these heroes and their families, aid in the recovery process, and smooth the transition back to civilian life.

Deeth had the highest selling jersey as his was auctioned off for $1,575.
Alumni Stadium
Located east of the Joyce Center, Alumni Stadium now serves as home to the Notre Dame men’s and women’s soccer teams. The $5.7 million facility features a natural grass field, locker rooms, restrooms and concession areas as well as a ticket facility.

The lead benefactors for the 2,000-seat Alumni Stadium were former Irish soccer standouts Tom Crotty, who starred for the Irish from 1977–79, and Rob Snyder, who played from 1980–83.

Outdoor Track
The Irish men’s and women’s track teams now have a new nine-lane track that meets IAAF guidelines. Located south of the Frank Eck Baseball Stadium and north of Edison Road, the facility received funding from several benefactors including John Hatherly ’82, a former Irish miler; Dr. Bob Harris ’69; Dr. Jim Kerrigan ’79, a former track monogram winner; John Leahy ’84; Mike Lukas ’79 M.A.; and Rick Peltz, a South Bend/Indianapolis businessman.

Arlotta Stadium
The Irish men’s and women’s lacrosse teams now have a 2,000-seat state-of-the-art facility to call home in Arlotta Stadium. Named after lead benefactor John Arlotta, a Notre Dame graduate, and his wife, Bobbie, the stadium features lights, an artificial turf field, locker rooms, team lounges, restrooms and concession areas.

A day prior to dedication ceremonies in October, the Irish men’s team initiated play in the stadium—which sits just east of Alumni Stadium—with a game against the Iroquois National Team.

Ice Hockey Arena
Notre Dame’s new $50 million ice arena will include two sheets of ice (one of them Olympic-sized), an athletics welcome center, ticket and merchandising areas and offices and locker room facilities for the Notre Dame hockey program. The arena also will feature a series of locker rooms for youth hockey events.

The Irish will play in a 5,000-seat (most of which will feature chair-back) rink, named after former Notre Dame hockey coach Charles W. “Lefty” Smith, who started the program in 1968 and coached for 19 seasons. Naming of the rink was made possible by the generosity of the John and Mary Jo Boler family of Inverness, Ill., and Sanibel Island, Fla.; their daughter Jill Boler McCormack (Notre Dame ’84) and her husband, Dan; and their son Matthew Boler (Notre Dame ’88) and his wife, Christine. They were joined by the family of the late Frank O’Brien (Albany, NY) and his wife, Mary Beth. The six O’Brien children all graduated from Notre Dame, including their late son Frankie, who played hockey and lacrosse for the Irish from 1984–88.

The University received a $15 million gift from an anonymous donor in September 2007 to update the Irish hockey facilities. That gift was part of the $1.5 billion Spirit of Notre Dame capital campaign.
Notre Dame’s extraordinary success and tradition have created a fan base that transcends geographical boundaries. Go almost anywhere in the world, and the odds are good that someone will be wearing an Irish baseball cap or T-shirt. That loyalty and interest make Notre Dame one of the most powerful and recognizable brands in college sports. Local, regional and national companies, who enter into an official corporate relationship with Notre Dame through Notre Dame Sports Properties, derive a variety of tangible and intangible benefits for their businesses as well as their clients and customers. This comprehensive marketing/advertising platform capitalizes on the University’s stellar reputation for excellence, quality and integrity both on and off the field, and an association with Irish athletics extends the reach of Notre Dame’s corporate partners to their valued target audiences.

The Dec. 22, 2009, issue of *Forbes* magazine rated Notre Dame the second most valuable college football program in the country behind the University of Texas. *Forbes* placed the team’s value at $108 million. *Forbes* also listed the “dividends” generated by each football program by analyzing how much money was contributed back to its university as a whole and to other athletics programs after subtracting the cost of running the football operation. The magazine also factored into the dividend equation money generated by a football program through bowl game revenue and for its surrounding community. Notre Dame’s overall dividend was placed at $38 million. *Forbes* also noted that St. Joseph County was the “only county in the nation in which incremental spending topped $10 million on home football weekends this season.” The magazine noted that, unlike its peers, Notre Dame did not maximize its revenue generating potential through in-stadium advertising or the sale of luxury suites.
Team Notre Dame

Team Notre Dame is a unique marketing concept for the University’s national corporate partners. In 2009–10, adidas, Coca-Cola, Chase, Gatorade, McDonald’s and Xerox returned as members of Team Notre Dame.

Those diverse businesses received the following benefits:
- Use of “official” designation for their own national promotional/advertising purposes
- National advertising during NBC Sports’ eight telecasts of Irish football games (seven home games and one off-site contest in primetime)
- National advertising during ISP’s radio broadcasts of all Notre Dame home and away football games
- Advertising in Notre Dame athletics media productions including radio and television shows, publications, Internet and on-site venues
- Category exclusivity
- Tickets to and corporate hospitality at Notre Dame athletic events

Regional Marketing Partners

Allstate, Centennial Wireless (AT&T), Comcast, Meijer and Sirius/XM partnered with Notre Dame on a regional basis in 2009–10. That relationship provided those companies with:
- Promotional rights throughout the northern Indiana/Chicago region
- Advertising during the television and radio shows of Notre Dame football and men’s basketball coaches
- Advertising in Notre Dame athletics media productions including radio and television shows, publications and Internet
- Tickets to and hospitality at Notre Dame football and men’s basketball games

Local Promotional Partners

In 2009–10, GEICO, PowerBar, Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center and South Bend Orthopaedics received the following benefits as local promotional partners:
- Specific local promotional rights throughout the South Bend/Mishawaka community
- Advertising in Notre Dame athletics media, including print, radio, television and Internet
- Tickets to and hospitality at Notre Dame football and men’s basketball games

Marketing and Promotions

The Notre Dame athletics ticket office moved to the new Murnane Family Ticket Office, located at Gate 9, inside the Rosenthal Atrium of Purcell Pavilion in 2009–10.

Last fall, Notre Dame initiated the successful deployment of 240 handheld ticket scanners in Notre Dame Stadium, making it the largest ticket-scanning operation in college football.

During 2009–10, the ticket office declared 37 sellouts in seven sports. That included capacity crowds in the inaugural season of both Alumni Soccer Stadium (a crowd of 3,007 for the Irish women’s soccer game against North Carolina) and Arlotta Lacrosse Stadium (4,063 for the Notre Dame men’s lacrosse contest against Syracuse).

The Notre Dame women’s basketball team helped raise more than $103,000 for breast cancer research with a sellout crowd of 9,149 for a Feb. 14 matchup against BIG EAST opponent DePaul. The Women’s Basketball Coaches Association annually sponsors the “Pink Zone” promotion nationally as teams ranked in the previous year’s final top 20 are invited to participate in a challenge to raise the most money.

The Irish promotions department instituted a grassroots marketing effort throughout the Michiana area to increase interest in many Notre Dame sports:
- Tickets to Irish women’s basketball games were available at the Martin Luther King Center.
- The Notre Dame hockey team conducted a public outdoor practice at Merrifield Park in Mishawaka.
- Several other Irish squads held clinics and open practices throughout their respective seasons.
“It meant the world to me to attend this University and to graduate with a degree that puts me in position to be successful outside of sports. The experiences I had here on the court, in the classroom and throughout the entire campus community far exceeded any of my expectations. My parents and I feel extremely blessed for the opportunities Notre Dame gave to me and the family atmosphere that surrounded me each and every day.”

Tory Jackson ’10

MEN’S BASKETBALL
BA IN SOCIOLOGY AND COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
SAGINAW, MICH.

» 2010 BIG EAST Sportmanship Award

» 2010 BIG EAST Championship All-Tournament Team

» 2007 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team

» Notre Dame Career Leader In Games Played (136)

» Three Time BIG EAST Single-Season Assist Leader
His leadership and work ethic were never questioned. There may have been doubts whether a young man from a crime-ridden and urban area could succeed at Notre Dame, but that never stopped TORY JACKSON.

His story is one of accomplishment. The second youngest of 14 children, Jackson became the heart and soul of the Irish basketball program as he helped guide Notre Dame to its most successful four-year period from 2006 to 2010. In leading the Irish to a school-record 93 wins that included 43 BIG EAST regular-season victories, he concluded his career as one of just two players in Notre Dame history to score 1,000 points and dish off 600 assists.

On the court, he became the consummate team leader. Named a captain in his senior season, he was the “voice” in the locker room during practices and games. Head coach Mike Brey frequently commented that he had never had a player who possessed stronger leadership skills than Jackson—a testament to the Saginaw, Mich., native’s desire and will to win.

When he graduated in May 2010 from the College of Arts and Letters with a bachelor’s degree in sociology and computer applications, Jackson became just the second member of his family to earn a college degree.
Since becoming the 29th head football coach at the University of Notre Dame in December, Brian Kelly has participated in more than 50 interviews and photo shoots with media outlets ranging from those with a national reach (The New York Times and ESPN The Magazine) to ones with a targeted audience (Assumption College Magazine). The common denominator is Notre Dame’s award-winning media relations department, whose members work daily with writers and reporters in the local, regional and national media to highlight the accomplishments and interests of Irish coaches and student-athletes. Since the interest in Notre Dame athletics spans the globe, the media relations department employs the latest technology to ensure the information distributed to alumni and fans is clear, timely and factual.

The media relations department staffs every home sporting event, providing complete statistical information, game notes, historical perspective and personal insight to sportswriters, television and radio announcers and other journalists who cover Notre Dame. Its members also work closely with the Notre Dame athletics marketing department and Notre Dame Sports Properties to make sure a wide variety of athletic events are seen and/or heard by fans across the country and the world.

Television

Many Notre Dame sports benefit from television exposure available in today’s multi-channel sports network environment:

**Football**

NBC Sports nationally televised all seven home games from Notre Dame Stadium in 2009 as part of a relationship with the University that began in 1991. NBC also televised the Irish off-site home game from San Antonio against Washington State in primetime. Notre Dame Football on NBC averaged a 2.4 rating and 3.684 million viewers in 2009, marking the program’s best numbers since 2006 and showing a 9.1 percent increase over 2008. The Notre Dame-USC contest on Oct. 17 garnered a 4.1 rating, the best showing since a 4.3 rating against Michigan in 2006.

The 2011 season will mark the first year in a new five-year contract with NBC.

ABC Sports televised road games at Michigan, Pittsburgh and Stanford (the last two in primetime), while ESPN showed the road games from Purdue (also in primetime).

**Men’s Basketball**

Twenty-four of the Irish men’s basketball games qualified for television — three on CBS, seven on ESPN, five on ESPNU, three on ESPN2, five on the BIG EAST Network and one on the Big Ten Network.

**Women’s Basketball**

Notre Dame appeared on the air on 20 occasions — three times on CBS College Sports, twice on ESPN, six times on ESPN2, three times on ESPNU, twice on the BIG EAST Network, once on the Big Ten Network — and three times on Fox College Sports Broadband.

**Olympic Sports**

**BASEBALL** — once each on ESPNU and the Big Ten Network

**MEN’S SOCCER** — twice on CBS College Sports and once each on ESPNU and the BIG EAST Network

**WOMEN’S SOCCER** — three times on CBS College Sports, twice on ESPNU, once on the Fox Soccer Channel

**MEN’S LACROSSE** — four times on ESPNU and once each on ESPN2 and ESPN (the NCAA Championship semi-final and final)

**WOMEN’S LACROSSE** — once on CBS College Sports

**SOFTBALL** — twice each on CBS College Sports and the Big Ten Network

**VOLLEYBALL** — once each on ESPNU and Time Warner Cable in Milwaukee

**Coaches’ Television Shows**

With a reach of more than 60 million homes, 31 broadcast and cable television channels throughout the United States aired Inside Notre Dame Football with Charlie Weis and Inside Notre Dame Basketball with Mike Brey during the 2009–10 season. The Irish coaches’ television show network, produced and distributed by Notre Dame Sports Properties, continues to be the largest in the country. Affiliates included Comcast SportsNet Chicago, YES and SNY (New York), NESN (New England), Sun Sports (Florida), MASN (Baltimore and Washington, D.C.), Fox Sports Midwest, SportsTime Ohio, Fox Sports Pittsburgh and WNDU-TV (South Bend). Each show also was available just hours after taping world-wide on und.com.

The final 2009 episode of Inside Notre Dame Football featured the hiring of Brian Kelly and included an exclusive one-on-one interview with the new Irish head coach.

Inside Notre Dame Sports, a weekly half-hour show featuring Irish Olympic sports, aired on WHME-TV in South Bend. Features produced for that program also could be seen on und.com.
Men’s Basketball
The Notre Dame men’s basketball radio network consisted of 11 stations throughout the Midwest and West Virginia, including WLS-AM in Chicago, WXNT-AM in Indianapolis, WLYV-AM in Fort Wayne and WSBT-AM in South Bend. Fans also could listen to all home and road games on Sirius/XM Satellite Radio and und.com.

Jack Nolan again served as play-by-play announcer. Former Irish stars LaPhonso Ellis and Jordan Cornette joined him as analysts.

Women’s Basketball
Home and away women’s basketball games were again carried live on Pulse FM (96.9/92.1) in the Michiana area.

Bob Nagle handled play-by-play duties.

Hockey
Cat Country 99.9 FM again served as the radio home for Notre Dame hockey with Darin Pritchett as the play-by-play announcer.

Baseball
Chuck Freeby served as the primary announcer for Notre Dame baseball games aired on WHME-FM (103.1) in South Bend.

Coaches’ Radio Shows
The Official Notre Dame Football and Basketball Radio Shows, featuring Irish coaches and players, aired live from Legends on the University’s campus on Monday nights during each sport’s respective season. Fans could attend the shows or listen on WSBT-AM or und.com.

From September to March, WLS-AM in Chicago, WXNT-AM in Indianapolis and WSBT-AM in South Bend carried The Jack Swarbrick Show. Each week the Notre Dame athletics director interviewed Irish coaches and student-athletes as well as other prominent figures in the national sports community.

Social Networks and Blogs
Notre Dame fans can access a variety of social networks, blogs and Internet sites to get the latest information on Irish athletics. The Notre Dame media relations department maintains its own pages on Twitter and Facebook, the nation’s two most popular online social networks. Fans can register for those accounts on und.com.

The media relations office also works very closely with Notre Dame Sports Properties to produce up-to-the-minute news, information and features for the University’s official athletics department website, und.com (more information on und.com appears on page 38).

The Dish, a blog that offers behind-the-scenes information on Notre Dame student-athletes, former monogram winners, coaches and newsmakers appears regularly on und.com.

Publications
Two Notre Dame athletics publications for 2009–10 received “best in the nation” honors in competition sponsored by the College Sports Information Directors of America—and two others earned national rankings.

The retro cover series for the 2009 Irish official football game programs and the 2009–10 Notre Dame men’s swimming media guide both merited “best in the nation” citations. The 2009–10 Irish women’s swimming guide rated second nationally, the 2009 Notre Dame football game programs overall ranked third and the 2009 Irish football media guide finished fourth in the nation.

Additional Honors
Alan George, assistant media relations director, was recognized by the American Volleyball Coaches Association as the top volleyball publicist for NCAA Division I in the Northeast region.
UND.COM

Irish fans are just a click away from the latest information on Notre Dame athletics with its official website, und.com.

One of the most popular websites in college athletics, und.com continues to set the standard by continually offering more original video content, including live video coverage of athletic contests and related events, as well as a plethora of other information related to Notre Dame’s 26 varsity sports. Press releases, media guides, feature stories, daily blogs, sport-related blogs and interviews with Irish players and coaches are available 24/7 on the website. Und.com also provides links to each varsity sport, the Monogram Club, student welfare and development, ticketing, promotions and Notre Dame summer sports camps.

During 2009–10, und.com nearly doubled its on-line video view numbers from 2.5 million a year ago to 4.3 million views as of June 1, 2010. Und.com introduced Flash On-Demand streaming last year, giving visitors to the website the ability to watch videos on its front page. Fans watched over 1.5 million flash videos, compared to two million videos in the traditional Window Media/Silverlight viewer.

Live Events

Two signature live events on und.com produced a record number of on-line viewers in 2009–10 and gave Notre Dame football fans unprecedented access to breaking news in a timely and accurate fashion.

Over 239,660 viewers logged on for the site’s live coverage of football signing day, which featured over eight hours of programming from the Guglielmino Athletics Complex. The coverage included three exclusive live interviews with Irish head coach Brian Kelly as well as several with his assistants. Viewers also could watch the official announcement of the arrival of letters-of-intent, player highlights of the incoming student-athletes and the end-of-the-day Kelly press conference.

Almost as many — 216,529 — tuned in for exclusive live coverage of the 2010 Blue-Gold Game on und.com. During the game, und.com worked hand-in-hand with ActionCam and NBC Sports to provide overhead views of the action in Notre Dame Stadium. That marked the first time viewers could watch from that particular angle.

The press conference to announce the hiring of Kelly also was carried live on und.com, and over 74,000 people watched. Another 160,000 viewed the media gathering on demand.

Olympic sports live viewership grew from 86,000 in 2008–09 to 101,408 in 2009–10. Seven of the 10 Olympic sports traditionally covered by und.com (baseball, men’s and women’s basketball, hockey, men’s and women’s lacrosse, men’s and women’s soccer, softball and volleyball) experienced a rise in average viewership last year.

Top live viewing numbers for each sport in 2009–10 were:

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Und.com recorded 751,696 live event views in 2009–10, compared to just over 86,000 in 2008–09. Live coverage also was enhanced in February with the addition of LiveText, which provides increased graphic abilities, and TimeWarp, which allows the integration of instant replay into a live webstream broadcast for the first time on und.com.

Football Coverage

Und.com continues to provide wall-to-wall coverage of Notre Dame football with daily practice reports, player interviews and features and interviews with the coaching staff as well as pregame and postgame shows.


Special video highlights on und.com in the spring included a report that featured Coach Brian Kelly with a microphone to provide an audio feed during a spring practice session and a video of an off-season workout with Paul Longo, the new Irish director of football strength and conditioning. Those videos were two of the most popular features viewed on und.com last year.

New in 2009–10

Other new additions to und.com in 2009–10 included:

- Increased presence on Twitter (und_video_crew) to announce the arrival of new video content on und.com
- UND_com provides up-to-the-minute athletic department news.
- More podcast availability with audio downloads of football press conferences, pregame and postgame shows, etc. accessible on und.com and iTunes.
- Und.com also is available for Facebook users at facebook.com/und.com.
- All live radio broadcasts of Notre Dame men’s and women’s basketball, baseball, hockey and football also are available on und.com.
The Monogram Club joined forces with the Notre Dame Career Center and the Office of Student Welfare and Development in December to launch a mentoring program that linked 28 former Monogram winners with the same number of current student-athletes. Undergraduates can call on their mentors as resources for advice in making the transition from the field of play to the world of work. More than 300 Monogram winners have already volunteered to serve as mentors.

More than 200 Irish student-athletes, wearing their Notre Dame Monogram jackets, collected money for the Haitian Relief Fund during men’s and women’s basketball games at Purcell Pavilion in late January. Their efforts netted more than $26,000, and the Monogram Club contributed another $10,000 to that total.

During the 2009 Irish football season, the Monogram Club offered postgame Mass following each home game in the Monogram Room for dues-paying members and their guests. Athletics department chaplain Rev. Paul Doyle, C.S.C., celebrated the inaugural service Sept. 5 with over 200 in attendance.

Through the generosity of two-time Monogram winner Dave Bossy (’77 hockey), the Notre Dame Monogram Club continues to team with the University’s Center for Social Concerns to provide financial assistance for student-athletes who work in summer service projects.

In 2009, four student-athletes received the Dave Bossy Scholarship Grant to pursue a variety of volunteer efforts. Student manager Charlie Nejedly (Diablo, Calif.) worked with young children at Oakland’s Elizabeth House, a center that helps mothers who have experienced domestic abuse, drug addiction or homelessness. Three track athletes were the other recipients. Greenwood Center, N.Y., native Lindsey Ferguson volunteered with Denver’s Bridge Project, an organization that provides daily literacy activities, outdoor education programs and technology courses to underprivileged youngsters. Spencer Carter (Boise, Idaho) worked with Missoula (Montana) Youth Homes. Beth Tao, a two-time recipient from San Diego, participated in Fresh Start Surgical Gifts in her hometown.

Since 1980, the Monogram Club has awarded over $3.1 million in financial aid to 172 sons and daughters of Monogram winners who attend the University through the Brennan-Boland-Riehle Scholarship Fund. Named in honor of Joe Boland, Rev. Thomas Brennan, C.S.C., and Rev. James Riehle, C.S.C., the BBRSF offers a minimum award of 75 percent of the student’s normal work and loan component of the financial aid package.

In 2009–10, 30 children of dues-paying members received over $297,000 of tuition assistance.

As one of the University’s more significant endowed scholarship funds, the BBRSF currently boasts an impressive market value of over $5 million.

In 2009–10, the Monogram Club awarded its second annual postgraduate scholarship awards to Irish basketball player Tim Andree (Colts Neck, N.Y.) and women’s tennis player Cosmina Cibbanu (Brea, Calif.). Both student-athletes received a one-time $5,000 grant to continue their education.

Andree, the son of former Notre Dame letterwinners Tim Andree (basketball) and Lauren Langen (swimming), received his degree in management consulting from the Mendoza College of Business and will attend law school. Cibbanu, an all-BIG EAST selection the last two seasons, graduated as a double major in science pre-professional studies and anthropology and plans to attend medical school in California.
Recognition

The Monogram Club sponsored several events and activities in 2009–10 that recognized the contributions of individuals and teams who have made Notre Dame proud with their accomplishments both on and off the field.

Former Irish hockey player Mark Eaton, a member of the 2009 Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins, returned to campus Sept. 5 and was honored at halftime of the Notre Dame-Nevada football game. Athletics director Jack Swarbrick and Irish hockey coach Jeff Jackson presented Eaton with a framed Notre Dame hockey jersey bearing his name and number.

On Sept. 19, former Irish wide receiver Tim Brown, who won the Heisman Trophy in 1987, was recognized at halftime of the Notre Dame-Michigan State football game for his 2009 election to the National Football Foundation’s College Football Hall of Fame.

During halftime of an Irish men’s basketball game in February, former Irish fencer Mariel Zagunis, owner of two Olympic gold medals in sabre, was honored for her gold medal-winning performance at the 2009 Fencing World Championships in Turin. Zagunis led the Irish to the 2005 NCAA title.

In October, the Monogram Club unveiled the latest addition to the national championship coaches gate at Notre Dame Stadium. A bronze sculpture of former Irish head coach Knute Rockne, the winningest coach in the history of college football with a .881 winning percentage, complements the bas-relief portraits of the five Irish coaches who have won national titles — Rockne, Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine and Lou Holtz.

University of Notre Dame graduate Jerry McKenna created the sculpture. Joseph T. Mendelson provided the funding through the Monogram Club. In 2006, Mendelson established the Endowment for Athletics Excellence, which supports incremental and non-budgeted funding for Irish Athletics. McKenna also created the sculptures of Leahy, Moose Krause (both located east of Notre Dame Stadium), Parseghian and Holtz (both located in Notre Dame Stadium). In addition, McKenna produced the Four Horsemen sculpture in the lobby of the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.

The Monogram Club continued its relatively new tradition of presenting letter jackets to first-time Monogram winners with special ceremonies in the fall and spring. The Monogram Club also provides all student-athletes with their annual varsity Monogram awards, including jackets, rings, blazers, stadium blankets and watches. The club also contributed close to $85,000 for postseason gifts and awards to various varsity teams.

Legendary Irish swim coach Dennis Stark received the Monogram Club’s 2010 Moose Krause Distinguished Service Award during the club’s annual dinner/meeting following the Blue-Gold Game in April. Stark, a 1947 graduate of the University, became the first Irish varsity swim coach in 1958 and guided the program until 1985. He continued to serve as the director of the Rolfs Aquatic Center and was responsible for teaching hundreds of Notre Dame students, as well as children in the South Bend area, how to swim. Stark was also a longtime volunteer with Special Olympics and Logan Center.

At the same event, the Monogram Club also honored the late Rev. Bernard Lange (’12) for his contributions to the University. Lange established the first fitness room on campus and guided weightlifting and training for students long before it became fashionable. Forty members of “FLAB” — the Father Lange Alumni Board attended and helped dedicate a plaque in his honor at the Guglielmino Athletics Center.

In 2009–10, the Notre Dame Monogram Club awarded honorary membership to:

- Tracy Coyne, Notre Dame’s women’s lacrosse coach
- Phil Singleton ’60, longtime supporter of Notre Dame athletics
Fellowship

Throughout the year, the Monogram Club provided several opportunities for past Monogram winners to gather and celebrate.

The club against hosted receptions for former football Monogram winners in the lounge at Notre Dame Stadium on Fridays prior to home games. The club also continued its pregame gatherings on football Saturdays in the Monogram Room. All former football players were invited to form an on-the-field tunnel for the current Irish team before the USC game in October, while all dues-paying Monogram winners were invited to attend.

Just one week later, 80 Notre Dame lacrosse fans and former Monogram winners met prior to the Irish men’s lacrosse team’s victory over Loyola in Baltimore’s Konica Minolta Face-off Classic.

The Monogram Club also welcomed several former student-athletes back to campus to celebrate team reunions.

Members of the University’s 1949 national championship team — considered by many to be one of the best in the history of college football — held their 60th reunion Sept. 19 in conjunction with the Notre Dame-Michigan State football game. Players from other Irish teams from the ’40s — often referred to as Leahy’s Lads — also were invited to attend. More than 25 players from those years were recognized on the field during the game’s first timeout.

The Monogram Club also served as host for lacrosse alumni during the dedication of Arlotta Stadium in October.

Notre Dame track and field alumni gathered for a reunion in March during the 22nd annual Alex Wilson Invitation. During a post-meet dinner, Wilson’s children donated the longtime Irish coach’s Olympic medals to the Monogram Club for display in Heritage Hall.

In April, Irish men’s and women’s soccer alumni returned to campus for a reunion in conjunction with the dedication of Alumni Stadium. During that same weekend, the Notre Dame swimming and diving teams sponsored a reunion to coincide with the presentation of the Moose Krause Distinguished Service Award to former coach Dennis Stark.

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The Monogram Club, which again held its annual spring board meeting the week of the Blue-Gold Game, entertained hundreds of dues-paying club members with a pregame reception on the Jordan Hall of Science lawn. Nearly 450 Monogram winners and their guests — representing a variety of sports and several generations — attended the club’s annual Mass, meeting and dinner in the Sports Heritage Hall. In addition, the club sponsored the 11th annual football alumni weekend for close to 200 former players. More than 600 attended the Friday night football dinner.

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The Monogram Club served as host for the 15th annual National Letterwinners Association Conference June 24-26. Representatives from more than 30 universities attended the gathering on the University of Notre Dame campus.

Board of Directors

Joe Rextic ’79, a 1978 Academic All-America football player for the Irish, completed his first year as president of the 37-member Monogram Club Board of Directors. First Vice President Dick Nussbaum ’74 and ’77 and Second Vice President Haley Scott DeMaria ’95 join him in the officer rotation. Other officers include Ken Haffey, treasurer; Mike Frantz, secretary; and Marc Kelly, past president. Mike Heaton provides legal counsel.

Current Monogram Club board members include:

DIRECTORS UNTIL 2011: Chuck Aragon, James Dee, Gregory Dingens, Brian Short and Kerrie Wagner

DIRECTORS UNTIL 2012: Pat Garrity, Ryan Leahy, Ken MacAfee, Kathryn Markgraf and Terri Vitale

DIRECTORS UNTIL 2013: Mike Brown, Don Casey, Andrea Loman, Kevin McShane and Chris Parent

Serving as advisors are Marty Allen, Don Bouffard, Molly Lennon Anderson, James Carroll, Julie Person Doyle, Van Pearcy, Marvin Pett, Bob Lopes, Kevin O’Connor, Scott Paddock, Rick Pullano, Dan Rahill, Jim Tyler, Matt Castellan, Tom Galloway and Michael Richerson. James Murphy is a director emeritus.

Beth Hunter assumed the executive director position in the summer of 2009. Her staff includes alumni relations manager Reggie Brooks, administration assistant Donetta McClellan, assistant Mike Sullivan and communications associate Mark LaFrance.
Irish student-athletes share a common bond through spirituality, academics, community service and athletics—four tenets that frame the unique and powerful Notre Dame experience.

Generous benefactors help ensure that foundation through a variety of initiatives to help fund athletic scholarships, operating expenses, facility construction and renovation and development opportunities.

A successful intercollegiate athletics program truly encompasses teamwork both on and off the field, and external affairs acts as a link to matching needs and opportunities.

Rockne Heritage Fund

Despite a tough economic climate in 2009–10, the Rockne Heritage Fund, which serves as the cornerstone of Irish athletics, experienced a 19 percent increase in the number of donors and a three-percent growth in donations. Last year more than 1,300 members contributed over $1.3 million to the annual fund that supports the athletics department in a variety of ways, translating into 109 percent of the fiscal goal.

The generosity of those loyal benefactors, through both large and small gifts, reflects their belief in the University’s mission as well as their understanding that student-athletes and their endeavors need financial support now more than ever.

Over 50 percent of Rockne Heritage Fund members and 44 percent of the Director’s Circle Recognition Society (gifts of $1,500, $5,000, $10,000 and more) are self-proclaimed “Subway Alumni,” proving that Notre Dame’s appeal and mission offer universal appeal.

Every member of the Rockne Heritage Fund is invited to a recognition tailgate prior to the annual Blue-Gold football game, while members of the Director’s Circle enjoy a yearly recognition weekend during a home football game in the fall. Athletics director Jack Swarbrick, along with several Irish head coaches and student-athletes, play a key role in making those annual events a tremendous success.
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Through this initiative this fiscal year, Notre Dame received nearly $1.1 million of annual support. Grants-in-aid represent approximately $14 million, or close to one-third of the athletics department’s annual budget, so the Joyce GIA Program vigorously contributes to an Irish student-athlete’s experience as a top-flight competitor, engaged student and active member of the University community.

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In 2009–10, the Mendelson Endowment funded an in-pool video system for the Notre Dame men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams.

Since its inception three years ago, the Mendelson Endowment has provided over $280,000 in financial assistance to 12 Irish teams:

- Baseball
- Men’s Lacrosse
- Women’s Lacrosse
- Rowing
- Softball
- Men’s Soccer
- Women’s Soccer
- Men’s Swimming and Diving
- Women’s Swimming and Diving
- Men’s Tennis
- Women’s Tennis
- Volleyball

Spirit of Notre Dame

The Spirit of Notre Dame campaign, the largest fundraising effort in the history of Catholic higher education, surpassed its overall $1.5 billion goal just two years after the project’s public launch. Several athletic components were included in that plan, which has one year remaining in its life cycle.

Many of those athletic endeavors have now come to fruition this fiscal year:

- The renovation of the Joyce Center and the addition of Purcell Pavilion
- The construction of Arlotta Lacrosse Stadium, Alumni Soccer Stadium and a new outdoor track

In addition, construction is ongoing on the new Notre Dame Ice Arena, an on-campus, two-rink facility located south of the Joyce Center.

More information on these projects is available in the Facilities Section of this report.

Football Experience Weekends

The Notre Dame “Football Experience Weekend” offers athletics leadership benefactors and prospective athletics benefactors an opportunity to “play like a champion.”

During five weekends each fall, members of this exclusive group can experience Notre Dame football with a bird’s eye view.

- Walk through the Notre Dame Stadium locker room the morning of an Irish home game, slapping the “Play Like A Champion” sign as they run through the north tunnel onto the field
- Attend a private reception with athletics director Jack Swarbrick and members of his senior staff
- Talk with Irish head coaches and student-athletes about their lives at Notre Dame
- Enjoy sideline access during pregame festivities in Notre Dame Stadium
- Watch the game from the press box
In 2009–10, nearly 1,200 students competed in 28 clubs, proving once again that Notre Dame sports one of the nation’s most physically active student bodies. Those teams held 2,152 practices and participated in 317 contests.

Two clubs (triathlon and women’s rugby) debuted last year, while three others benefited from new facilities and equipment. The equestrian team moved to the historic St. Joe Farm near campus, while field hockey competed on the turf surface at the recently opened LaBar Practice Complex. The Notre Dame Sailing Club added six new “420” sailboats to its fleet.

The following is a list of impressive accomplishments by other club sports at Notre Dame in 2009–10:

- The women’s water polo club ranked No. 1 much of the year, won its fourth straight conference title (a school and conference record) and set a national mark by qualifying for its 13th consecutive national tournament. The club eventually finished sixth in the nation, while two members, Betsy O’Neill and Alanna Durkin, were named to the all-tournament national team.

- The men’s rugby club earned runner-up honors at the Big Ten + One Championships and participated in the prestigious Sevens Tournament, televised nationally by NBC Sports, in late spring. The team also defeated perennial power Ohio State during the regular season.

- The men’s volleyball team finished 24th nationally. Club members Rob Bauer and Mike Nejedly garnered first-team All-Midwest 10 Conference honors.

- The Ultimate club was selected by Student Activities as “club of the year.”
Fitness and Instructional Programming

RecSports and its staff continue to offer creative and accessible classes and programs so all members of the University community have an opportunity to improve their skills, learn a new sport, get physically fit and take charge of their health. In 2009–10, more than 14,000 participants (over 1,000 more than a year ago) took part in 225 programs. Instructional lessons were offered in 53 different activities, including tennis, fencing, ballet, sailing and scuba. RecSports also conducted 2,225 fitness classes. In addition, students and employees registered for 889 personal training sessions.

During the fall, RecSports added a six-week prenatal yoga series to help promote a healthy lifestyle for expectant mothers, and 41 women participated in the four sessions held in 2009–10.

Thirty-four participants learned trainings tips and schedules during RecSports' initial "Train For Your First 5K" workshop.

The RecSports’ fitness staff also participated in the first Building Services Wellness Workshop.

RecSports also collaborated with other departments across campus in two outreach ventures.

The "Irish Health Employee Wellness Fair" attracted over 1,200 faculty and staff members. The building also served as the site for two health fairs—one for students and one for employees. The building also hosted the International Sports Festival in partnership with the International Student Union. Thirty-five student groups and clubs, including variety teams, ROTC, physical education and cheerleading, used Rolf for their activities.

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Special Events and Family Programming

Over 2,500 children and parents participated in a variety of family-friendly activities during RecSports’ new initiative, “Even Fridays.” On the even date of each month, families in the Notre Dame community gathered with RecSports staff to bowl, canoe, play field games, enjoy a hayride, attend a beach party or picnic or learn another sport.

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Dane Dangler
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CAPTAINS
Ryan Connolly
Brian Dupra
Will Harford
Cole Johnson

MEN’S BASEBALL HIGHLIGHTS

- Notre Dame had five players selected in the 2010 MLB First-Year Player Draft, including junior RHP Brian Dupra (Tigers, 11th), junior RHP Evan Danieli (Braves, 24th), senior RHP Steven Mazur (Orioles, 33rd), senior C Will Harford (Reds, 45th) and former OF Golden Tate (Giants, 50th). 
- Senior OF David Mills not only recorded a career batting average of .325, but posted a 4-2 record and 4.46 earned-run average in 66.2 career innings pitched. A 2008 all-BIG EAST first-team selection, he owns single-season school records in stolen base percentage (1,000, 2009), sacrifice bunts (36, 2008) and total sacrifices (23, 2008). Mills also finished third in career sacrifices (46), third in career fewest walks per nine innings (1.70), fourth in career sacrifice bunts (35), low for fifth in single-season sacrifice flies (seven), third in season walks per nine innings (0.89) and third in season strikeouts-to-walks ratio (6.33). 
- Mazur closed out his career ninth in school history in career saves (nine), eighth in career saves (seven) and ninth in career strikeouts per nine innings (9.32). 
- Senior 1B Casey Martin ranks ninth in school history with 911 putouts, sixth among non-catchers. Martin finished 994 for his career and committed just one error in 454 fielding chances in 2010. 
- Senior RHP Eric Maust became the 12th pitcher in school history to record 40 or more starts. He went 15-12 with a 4.84 earned-run average in 266.0 career innings of work.

MEN’S BASKETBALL HIGHLIGHTS

- Notre Dame finished the season with a 23-12 record and 10-8 BIG EAST mark, while earning a spot in the BIG EAST tournament semifinals for the third time in school history. 
- Notre Dame recorded its fourth consecutive 20-win campaign and seventh in 10 seasons. Irish teams last posted four straight 20-win seasons from 1983-89. 
- Mike Brey became the sixth coach in BIG EAST history to win 100 conference games (regular season and tournament) and ranks sixth all-time with 104 league victories. 
- The senior class of Tim Abromaitis, Luke Harangody, Tory Jackson and Jonathan Peoples closed out their careers as the all-time winningest Irish class. The foursome combined for a 95-43 (.684) record overall, while its 43 BIG EAST regular-season victories were also the most in a four-year period (43-27 for a .614 winning percentage). 
- The only member of the 2,000-point, 1,000-rebound club is Notre Dame history, Harangody closed out his career second on the all-time career scoring (2,476) and rebounding (1,222) lists. 
- Jackson finished out his career as the school’s all-time leader in games played with 136. 
- Harangody became only the 11th player in league history to earn first-team All-BIG EAST honors on three occasions (2008-10). Notre Dame is the only school that has had a first-team honoree each of the last five seasons. 
- In the 65 BIG EAST contests that he played, Harangody averaged 20.4 points and 10.2 rebounds and is the only player in league history to average better than 20.0 points and 10.0 rebounds. 
- Jackson led the BIG EAST in assists for the third time in four seasons as he averaged 5.61. Syracuse’s Sherman Douglas is the only other player in league history to win the conference’s assist crown on three occasions. 
- Tim Abromaitis became the eighth Notre Dame men’s basketball player to earn ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America honors when he was named to the first team.
Women’s Basketball Highlights

- Notre Dame finished one of the finest seasons in program history in 2009–10, posting a 29-4 record (third-most wins in school annals) and tying for fourth place in the BIG EAST Conference with a 12-4 record. It was the 16th 20-win season in the past 17 years for the Fighting Irish, who also placed among the top four in the rugged BIG EAST for the 12th time in their 15 seasons as a conference member.

- For the 15th consecutive season (and 17th time in program history), Notre Dame earned a bid to the NCAA Championship. The Fighting Irish dispatched Cleveland State and Vermont at Paddock Pavilion in the first two rounds of the tournament before a last-second overtime loss to Oklahoma in the Kansas City Regional semifinals. It was Notre Dame’s eighth trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 in the past 14 seasons, something only nine other schools in the country can match.

- The Fighting Irish set single-season school records for steals (450), turnovers forced (791), home wins (16), average attendance (8,377/game), total attendance (142,412) and sellout crowds (6), while their No. 4 national ranking and national attendance ranking also was a program best.

- Senior guard Lindsay Schrader and freshman guard Skylar Diggins were named honorable mention All-Americans by both the Associated Press and Women’s Basketball Coaches Association. It was the first career All-America honor for both players, who were joined by senior guard Ashley Barlow, while senior guard Melissa Lechlitner was an ESPN The Magazine second-team academic all-district honoree.

- Schrader was a repeat first-team all-BIG EAST selection, while Barlow and Diggins garnered second-team all-conference accolades. In addition, Diggins was named to the BIG EAST All-Freshman Team after setting four Notre Dame rookie records and becoming the first Notre Dame freshman in 17 seasons to lead the team in scoring (13.9 ppg.).

Women’s Basketball

- The Irish finished seventh at the National Catholic, finishing 10th in the BIG EAST.

- The Irish finished seventh at the Great Lakes Regional meet with 205 points. Walker earned his second all-region honor with a ninth-place time of 25:15.

- Sophomore Joe Miller finished 35th in 24:34, leading the squad with a 51st-place finish in the Missoula Youth Homes in Missoula, Mont.

- Sophomore Jordan Carlson clocked in at 26:09 to finish 48th and 49th, respectively.

- The Irish finished 10th at the Pre-National Meet as Walker led the squad with a 5th-place finish in 24:24.3.

- The Irish opened the season with team titles at the Valparaiso Crusader Open and the National Catholic Championship. Senior Spencer Carter took home his first individual title with a first-place finish at the Crusader Open. At the National Catholic, Walker finished second in 24:59, followed by Jackson in fourth at 25:15 and Carlson in fifth at 25:54.

- Carter was one of four recipients of the Dave Bracy Scholarship. He spent the past summer backpacking for the Missoula Youth Homes in Missoula, Mont. Carter worked in the program’s Inner Roads section, spending 30 days hiking a 110-mile loop with five at-risk youths.

- Senior Jim Notwell earned the Top Gun Award at the 2010 O.S.C.A.R.S. banquet. The award recognizes the graduating student-athlete with the highest grade-point average. Notwell graduated with a 3.944 GPA.
The Irish made their second straight appearance at the NCAA Championships, finishing 23rd with 519 total points. The 23rd-place finish was the best for Notre Dame since 2005 when the Irish finished seventh. Senior Lindsay Ferguson capped off a stellar season with her first United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association All-America honor after finishing 200,000 in 22:45. Freshman Jessica Ryberg finished 54th in 21:04, and junior Marissa Treviso was 129th in 21:43 and sophomore Rachel Velarde finished 130th at 21:44. Freshman Rebecca Tracy clocked in at 22:36 to finish 176th, sophomore Karl Johnson finished 156th in 22:46 and junior Erica Watson was 196th in 22:47.

Notre Dame won the Great Lakes Regional title for the first time since 2003, and three members of the squad earned all-region honors. Ferguson finished third in 20:58.62, Ryberg was 10th in 21:23.84 and Velarde finished 15th at 21:32.40. Head coach Tim Connolly was named the Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year.

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The Irish were named one of the USTFCA’s all-academic teams after carrying a 3.38 cumulative grade-point average during the 2009 fall semester.

Ferguson and Beth Tad were both recipients of the Dave Bosky Scholarship. Ferguson spent the past summer with the Bridge Project in Denver, Colo., which provides summer school and camp for under privileged children. Tad, a two-time recipient of the scholarship, volunteered at Fresh Start Surgical Gifts in Carlsbad, Calif., an organization that provides free reconstructive surgery for children. Two years ago, Tad spent the summer with former teammate Heidi Rocha at the Holy Cross Ministries in Utah, tutoring immigrant children in reading and phonics.

Notre Dame finished in third place at the 2010 NCAA Championship, marking head coach James Bednarski’s sixth top-three NCAA finish in his first eight seasons with the Irish.

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The Fighting Irish regressed dramatic wins over rivals Michigan State, Purdue and Boston College en route to a 6-6 record. Seemingly every game in 2009 went down to the wire and the six losses were by a combined 28 points with no loss by more than seven points.

Notre Dame had one of the best passing attacks in the nation as the Irish ranked fifth in the country averaging 323.5 passing yards per game and had the fourth-best passing efficiency ranking in the nation at 160.2. Notre Dame’s 457.5 total yards per game was eighth-best in the NCAA and the offense averaged 50.1 points per contest.

Junior wide receiver Golden Tate recorded the best receiving season ever by a Notre Dame player and became the first Irish player to receive the Biletnikoff Award, presented annually to college football’s top receiver. Tate was named Notre Dame’s 31st unanimous first-team All-American after setting school records with 93 receptions for 1,496 yards and 15 touchdowns. The Irish qualified the maximum 12 fencers for NCAA Championship play for the second straight season. Since 2010, the Irish have sent more fencers (29) than any other school to NCAA Championship play.

Four of Notre Dame’s six women’s fencers earned All-America status at the 2010 NCAA Championship, led by sophomore Courtney Hurley, who earned first-team All-American honors by claiming the women’s epee bronze for the second consecutive season.

Notre Dame’s other four All-Americans earned second- team status, led by the junior sabre duo of Sarah Bormann and Eileen Hassett. Bormann turned in a fifth-place showing for her second All-America finish in three years, while Hassett finished seventh on her way to recording her third consecutive All-America showing.

Kelley Hurley capped off her illustrious Irish career with her third All-America finish in four seasons as she finished sixth in women’s epee. Hayley Reese was Notre Dame’s fifth All-American, as she finished fifth in women’s foil for her third consecutive All-America honor.

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Notre Dame finished second by one stroke at the BIG EAST Championship with a score of 874 (+22). Individually, Tom Usher and Max Scodro tied for co-medalist after 54 holes of play at the BIG EAST Championship, before losing in a four-way playoff.

Doug Fortner, Scodro and Usher were named to the 2010 all-BIG EAST team. Fortner, who was one of four unanimous selections, and Scodro earned the honor for the second consecutive season, while Usher earned his first career honor.

Fortner led the team with a 73.85 stroke average for the 2009–10 season to finish his career with a 74.59 mark, seventh best in program history. He turned in three top-10 finishes on the season including his first career win at the Bandon Dunes Championship, where he carded an eight-over-par 150. He fired an opening round 64 (-7) at the FAU Spring Break Championship, which tied Mark Baldwin for the program’s lowest all-time round.

Scodro had two top-10 finishes on the season and checked in with a 73.96 stroke average, the second-best mark on the team. He also led the team with 26 rounds counted on the season and moved into third all-time for career stroke average with a 74.36 mark.

Usher forced his way into the starting lineup during the spring season and went on to post two top-10 finishes in Notre Dame’s five spring events. His final round minus-two 69 vaulted him into a first-place tie at the BIG EAST Championship.

Senior Josh Sandman turned in a 74.72 stroke average on the season, saw 24 of his rounds counted toward Notre Dame’s team score and notched three top-10 finishes. He earned his first career win at the 2009 Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic by firing a two-over-par (212) three round total. Sandman concluded his Irish career with a 73.90 stroke average, the second-best mark in program history.

For the first time in program history, Notre Dame earned a third consecutive NCAA Central Regional bid (fifth in program history). The Irish finished 17th (out of 24 teams) by shooting a 970 (+106). Individually, Becca Huffer led the Irish as she tied for 16th with a +15 (231) mark.

The Irish finished third at the 2010 BIG EAST Championship with a score of 936 (+72). Since the BIG EAST began sponsoring a women’s golf championship in 2003, Notre Dame has turned in a top-three finish at all eight tournaments.

Annie Brophy, Huffer and Katie Conway earned all-BIG EAST honors. Brophy and Huffer had the added distinction of being two of the conference’s six unanimous selections and Brophy became just the second golfer in program history to earn four all-BIG EAST honors. Huffer earned her second consecutive all-BIG EAST honor, while Conway’s selection was the first of her career.

Huffer led the team with a 74.90 stroke average and she became the sixth player in program history to have all her rounds (30 of 30) counted toward the team score. She recorded a top-15 finish in her first seven events of the season and in eight of Notre Dame’s 11 tournaments. With a career stroke average of 74.24 through two seasons, Huffer now carries the best career stroke average in program history.

Brophy closed out her Irish career with a senior season that included a two-under-par 70. It was her second career win, making Brophy one of just five players in program history to earn multiple wins. She also turned in a runner-up performance at the 2010 BIG EAST Championship with a +10 (226). She finished with a career stroke average of 76.60, the fourth-best mark in program history.

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HOCKEY HIGHLIGHTS

- The Irish finished the 2009–10 season with a 13-17-8 overall record and were 9-12-2-0 in the CCHA, finishing ninth in the conference standings. Notre Dame fell to Ohio State in the opening round of the CCHA playoffs.
- Notre Dame’s senior class of 2010 — Brett Blatchford, Kevin Deeth, Don Kossel, Kyle Lawson, Christian Minella, Tom O’Brien and Ryan Thang — finished their careers tied for first as the most successful class at Notre Dame. They are tied with the class of 2009 with 107 wins, two CCHA regular-season and tournament titles and three trips to the NCAA Tournament, including a Frozen Four in 2008, during their careers.
- Construction began in March 2010 on the Notre Dame Ice Arena—a new, on-campus, two-rink ice facility designed to help meet the needs of the campus and regional community and the Notre Dame hockey program. The main arena, with its traditional barrel-vaulted roof supported by a series of bow trusses, will have a capacity of approximately 5,000 patrons on two levels. The arena is scheduled to open in mid-October 2011.
- During the weekend of Jan. 29–30, the Notre Dame hockey team held a jersey auction during the series versus Nebraska-Omaha. Headed by senior alternate captain, Kevin Deeth and equipment specialist, Dave Gilbert, a special commemorative jersey was designed and worn by the players that weekend. An online auction was held for the jerseys to raise money for the Hockey Helpers and Wounded Warrior Project that exists to provide tangible comfort and support to severely injured service members upon their return home from Iraq, Afghanistan and other areas around the world. The jersey auction raised $18,604.60 for the 28 players’ jerseys and with the help of matching gifts from several benefactors, $25,000 was added to the total for the final amount of $41,604.60.
- Irish associate coach Andy Slaggert was honored by the American Hockey Coaches’ Association (ACHA) at its annual spring convention in April as he was named the winner of the Terry Flanagan Award. The award is named in honor of former New Hampshire player and Bowling Green assistant coach, Terry Flanagan, and honors an assistant coach for his body of work during his coaching career. Slaggert finished his 17th season as an assistant coach at Notre Dame.

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WOMEN’S LACROSSE HIGHLIGHTS

Notre Dame won its seventh consecutive BIG EAST Conference crown as the Irish dominated the 2010 event at Lake Quinsigamond in Worcester, Mass., by winning five of six events and capturing the gold medal in the varsity eight, second varsity eight, varsity four, second varsity four, and novice eight races. Notre Dame’s novice four boat earned a runner-up finish.

By claiming its seventh straight conference championship, the Irish kept alive the second-longest active title streak behind the Notre Dame women’s swimming and diving team that claimed top honors at the 2010 BIG EAST meet each of the last 14 years.

In the inaugural season, Notre Dame led the way with six all-conference selections. Seniors Britteny Kelly and Casey Robinson, along with junior Stephanie Gretsch were named to the first team, while senior Sarah Keilitz, junior Katherine Limenstroms and freshman Stephanie O’Neill garnered second-team honors.

For the fourth time in the last five seasons, the Irish staff of Martin Stone, Joe Schlosberg and Marnie Stahl was honored as the BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year.

Gretsch and Keilitz were named National Scholar Athletes by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association. Keilitz graduated with a dual degree in civil engineering and theology while maintaining a 3.74 overall grade-point average. Gretsch has a double major in biological sciences and history and owns a 3.61 grade index.

Along with being named a CRCA National Scholar Athlete, Gretsch also earned first team all-Central Region honors.

Notre Dame finished ninth overall out of 24 teams at the Central/South Region Championships and was sixth among all teams from the Central region. The lone Irish victory in the event came in the open four C final, while the novice eight boat advanced to the grand final.

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CAPTAINS
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Rachel Guerrera
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ROWING HIGHLIGHTS

The Irish women’s lacrosse team finished the season with an 8-7 overall record and was 6-2 in the BIG EAST, finishing second in conference play. Notre Dame played in its fourth consecutive BIG EAST Tournament, losing a 12-11, four-overtime decision to Syracuse in the semifinals. The Irish went on to make their third consecutive NCAA appearance, falling to Northwestern in their first-round game.

Oina Scioscia became the first Notre Dame player to have 150 assists and 100 goals in her Notre Dame career. The first-team all-BIG EAST standout led the Irish in scoring with 39 goals and 24 assists for 63 points. For her career, Scioscia is fourth in goals (116), first in assists (106) and fourth all-time in points with 222. She finished her career with a 37-game, point-scoring streak (88 goals, 64 assists, 152 points), the second-longest in school history.

Jackie Doeherty became the second Notre Dame women’s lacrosse defender to be named first-team IWLCA All-American (Shannon Burke, ’99). Doeherty, a first-team all-BIG EAST selection, led the conference in caused turnovers (2.22 per game) and ground balls (2.94). She ranked fourth nationally in caused turnovers and 12th in ground balls.

On April 9, 2010, freshman goalkeeper Ellie Hilling recorded the first shutout in the program’s 14-year history when the Irish blanked Villanova, 16-0. The shutout also was the first in BIG EAST history. Over a span of three games (Loyola, Villanova and Syracuse) Hilling and the Notre Dame defense turned in a shutout streak of 98:33, the longest scoreless streak in program history. The Irish stopped Loyola over the final 4:38 of that game, held Villanova scoreless for 60 minutes and then blanked Syracuse for the first 33:55 of that 6-5 win on April 11.

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SOCCER
» The 2009 season signified a new era for Fighting Irish soccer as Notre Dame began play in Alumni Stadium. The Irish opened the facility in grand fashion on Sept. 1, with a 5-0 victory over Michigan. The lead benefactors for the $5.7 million facility are former Irish soccer players Tom Cotryt and Rob Snyder. The official stadium dedication took place on April 24, 2010, during the program’s alumni weekend.
» Notre Dame made its ninth straight NCAA Championship appearance in 2009. All nine trips have come under the direction of head coach Bobby Clark. The Fighting Irish topped Green Bay 2-1 in the first round before falling to ninth-seeded Green Bay 2-1 in the first round of the NCAA Championship. The Fighting Irish were not able to win a game in their four-game NCAA Tournament run, but had a successful season overall, finishing 10-6-2 overall and 6-3-0 in BIG EAST play.

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Head coach Randy Waldrum was named the 2009 BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year. He was one of six Irish players that garnered all-BIG EAST honors. Joining Dike on the all-conference first team was Thomas. Senior left back Justin Morrow was a second-team pick, while Maund and junior forward Jeb Brovsky were selected to the third team. Powers was named to the BIG EAST All-Rookie Team.

MEN’S SOCCER HIGHLIGHTS
» Notre Dame registered a 21-4-1 record in 2009, including a 10-0-1 record in BIG EAST Conference play, winning the National Division title for the fifth consecutive season and earning the BIG EAST regular season title for the 12th time.
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» Fowlkes also was a second-team ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America selection, becoming the 52nd student-athlete in Notre Dame athletics history to garner BIG EAST and Academic All-America honors in the same season.

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» Sophomore midfielder Courtney Barg was a first-team All-America selection by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, while Fowlkes was a third-team choice.
» Fowlkes also was a second-team ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America selection, becoming the 52nd student-athlete in Notre Dame athletics history to garner BIG EAST and Academic All-America honors in the same season.
» The Fighting Irish also staked claim to some of the BIG EAST’s major awards in 2009, with Fowlkes (Co-Offensive Player of the Year) and Barg (Midfielder of the Year) taking home the hardware. Both were named first-team all-conference picks, along with Schuveiller, while junior midfielder Rose Augustine and sophomore forward Melissa Henderson were second-team honorees.
**MEN’S SWIMMING + DIVING HIGHLIGHTS**

- For the fifth time overall and third time in the last seven years, Notre Dame finished second at the BIG EAST Conference Championships. The Irish also earned votes in the final Collegiate Swimming Coaches Association of America Top 25 Poll after finishing the 2009-10 campaign with a 5-6 record.

- Senior John Lytle ended his illustrious career at Notre Dame as he earned the Notre Dame Byron V. Kanaley Award. Lytle was also part of the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V team. Lytle holds three individual school records (50, 100, 200 free) and four relay school records (400 medley relay, 200 free, 400 free, 800 free, 1,500 free). Moreover, Lytle leaves Notre Dame as the program-leader in BIG EAST titles (five) and BIG EAST all-conference honors (20).

- Notre Dame captured first and second place in both the 1- and 3-meter diving events at the BIG EAST Diving Championships. Juniors Wes Villalfor and Nathan Geyr finished first and second, respectively, in both the 1- and 3-meter spring board events. With his two wins, Villalfor became the first diver in Notre Dame history to win a BIG EAST Diving Championship event and was named the meet’s Most Outstanding Diver. Behind the efforts of a brilliant diving corps, Caiming Xie was named the BIG EAST Men’s Diving Coach of the Year for the third time in his career.

- Former Serbian national champion Petar Petrovic reset the 100-yard backstroke record five times over the course of the season with a top time of 46.64. The sophomore also was a member of the 200 and 400 medley relays tandems that broke Notre Dame school records.

- Shattering one of the oldest school records was freshman Bill Bass, who took second place in the 200 individual medley at the BIG EAST meet in 1:46.44. Bass was also named the team’s most improved swimmer.

- Notre Dame took fourth place in the Ohio State Invitational in December with 422 points, the most points scored by an Irish squad at the meet since 2006-07 season. Top eight finishers at the meet included Lytle (sixth in 50 free and eighth in the 200 back), Sadie Pitzenberger (sixth in 50 free and eighth in the 200 breast), Heather Johnson (sixth in the 100 medley) and Petrovic (third in the 100 back).

- The Irish finished the Shamrock Invitational in January by defeating Denver but lost by slim margins to Missouri and Iowa. Bass, Joseph Raycroft and Christopher Johnson took home first-place finishes at the meet in the 200 individual medley, 200 breaststroke and 100 breaststroke, respectively.

**SOFTBALL HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Irish had a banner year by claiming the BIG EAST regular-season title and earned the program’s 12th consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament. Notre Dame finished the 2010 campaign with a 47-12 mark and set single-season program records for nation-leading batting average (.343), runs (369), doubles (130), home runs (75), RBI (337), total bases (978), slugging (.580), on-base (.409) and fielding (.978). The Irish were second among NCAA teams with 175 doubles per game and fourth in slugging percentage.

- Shortstop Katie Fleury was named to the 2010 Louisville Slugger / NFCA Division I All-America third team. She led the BIG EAST with a .460 batting average and scored a school-record 54 runs.

- First baseman Christine Lux was named to the 2010 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America second team. Lux closed out her career as the program’s leader in home runs (50), putouts (1,544) and RBI (174). With a slugging clip of .801 in ’10, Lux demolished the previous record of .695, which she herself set in 2009. She is the only player in BIG EAST history to record 60+ runs, 80+ hits and 60+ RBI in a career.

- Seven players earned All-BIG EAST Conference recognition and Judy Valdivia was named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year. The seven honors brought the program’s total to 10 all-conference honors since joining the league in 1996. Alexa Maldonado, Lux, Fleury and Valdivia were each named to the first team while Dani Miller, Heather Johnson and Brianna Jorgensborg earned second-team nods.

- Head coach Deanna Gumpf became the program’s all-time winningest coach with her 378th victory at Notre Dame with a 1-0 victory over Illinois State (May 21) in the NCAA Tournament.

- Sadie Fitzpatrick saw her 26-game hitting streak (Feb. 20-April 1) come to an end in the series finale with Rutgers.
WOMEN'S SWIMMING + DIVING

HEAD COACH
Samantha Maxwell

ASSISTANT COACH
Kate Kovenock

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH
Will Bernhardt

CAPTAINS
Ashlee Edgell

Natalie Stitt

MEN'S TENNIS

HEAD COACH
Sobey Bayliss

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH
Ryan Sanfier

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH
Tina Zhang

CAPTAIN
Tyler Davis

NOTES

WOMEN'S SWIMMING • DIVING HIGHLIGHTS

» Notre Dame continued its dominance over league foes as the Irish won their 34th consecutive BIG EAST Conference Championship. Notre Dame scored 775.5 points in the meet and set four school records throughout the season and finished the year with a 2-5 dual meet record while receiving votes in the final Collegiate Swimming Coaches Association of America Top 25 Poll.

» Julianna Amyx-Miller and Samantha Maxwell represented Notre Dame at the 2010 NCAA Championships. The two accumulated 14 points as the Irish finished in 38th place. Miller took eighth in the nation in the 50 freestyle, which earned her an All-America honor. In her prelim swim of event, Miller set the school record in the 50 freestyle with 22.50. Maxwell finished 14th overall in the 100 breast as she took home an Honorable Mention All-America accolade.

» Maxwell was named the BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Swimmer as she won the 100 and 200 breast and was a member of the victorious 200 and 400 medley relays.

» Brian Barnes was named the BIG EAST Swimming Coach of the Year for the second consecutive season. Barnes now has two such accolades to his name in just a pair of campaigns at the helm of the program.

» Freshman sensation Kim Holden broke both the 100 and 200 back school records and also had the team’s fastest 100 fly time on the season. At the BIG EAST Championships, Holden set both of the school records as she won the 100 back in 53.88 seconds and the 200 back in 1:55.79.

» Diver Jenny Chiang took the top spot in the 3-meter diving final at the BIG EAST meet to wrap up a stellar string of diving efforts for the Irish. It was in the finals where Chiang shined, improving her score by better than 50 points to finish with a mark of 313.35.

MEN'S TENNIS HIGHLIGHTS

» Notre Dame advanced to the NCAA Championship field for the 19th time in the past 20 seasons under the guidance of head coach Bobbie Bayliss. The Irish are now one of just 10 schools that can make that claim.

» Junior’s Stephen Havens and Daniel Stahl, as well as sophomore Casey Watt, earned all-BIG EAST honors. Watt has now earned all-BIG EAST accolades in his first two seasons with the Irish, while Stahl also earned his second all-BIG EAST award.

» The Irish played at the No. 3 singles for the Irish throughout the 2010 season and posted an overall singles record of 20-20. He finished as the runner-up at the ITA Midwest Championships and also appeared in the NCAA singles championship draw for the first time in his career.

» Havens, Stahl and Blas Moros joined Watt in the singles rankings at various points in the 2010 season. Havens’ best ranking was 30th, while Stahl reached 72nd, Moros 74th and Watt 111th. Watt and Havens also combined to form Notre Dame’s No. 1 doubles team and reached as high as 31st in the ITA doubles rankings.

» Sophomore Samuel Keaton led the Irish with a 17-3 record in dual season play, including a 6-1 mark at No. 4 singles and a 6-2 record at the No. 5 position.

» With Notre Dame’s 4-2 win over Middle Tennessee State on March 18 in the opening round of the 2010 Blue-Grey Tennis Classic, Bayliss reached the 700-career wins milestone, becoming one of just four active Division I men’s coaches with at least 700 career wins. In a career that has now reached 41 seasons, Bayliss ranks eighth on the all-time men’s tennis collegiate coaching wins list.
WOMEN’S TENNIS

HEAD COACH
Joe Piane
ASSISTANT HEAD COACH
John Millar
ASSISTANT COACH
Julia Scaringe
CAPTAIN
Kali Krisik

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» The program’s academic success continued as well, with Colleen Ralloy earning the NCAC Elite 88 Award and Ciobanu being named to the ESPN The Magazine CoSIDA Academic All-America At-Large Team.

MEN’S TRACK + FIELD

HEAD COACH
Joe Quick
ASSISTANT HEAD COACH
Dennis Jackson
CAPTAINS
Daniel Clark, Kevin Denes

For the eighth consecutive year, the Irish captured a BIG EAST title, this season winning both the indoor and outdoor championships in 2010. Notre Dame topped Georgetown by 42.50 points to capture the indoor title in February. The Irish followed that up by vaulting from fourth to first on the final day of the outdoor championships, passing Louisville, Connecticut and Rutgers to capture BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year honors for Joe Quick and his staff.

» Jack Howard represented the Irish at the NCAA Indoor Championships, where he earned All-America honors for the first time in his career, placing eighth in the 800-meter finals.

» At the indoor league championships, the Irish captured five individual titles and 15 all-BIG EAST honors. Jonathan Shawel won the 1,000 meters, Howard won the 800 meters, Quick claimed the triple jump title. Justin Schneider won the heptathlon and Kevin Schipper won the pole vault.

» Notre Dame sent five representatives to the NCAA Outdoor Championships, including: Daniel Clark who won the 1,500-meter run at the NCAA East Regional. Clark was joined at the meet in Oregon by Dan Jackson (10,000-meter run), Schipper (pole vault), Eric Quick (triple jump) and Denes Veres (shot put).

» The Irish captured two individual titles, while picking up six all-BIG EAST honors at the league’s outdoor championships. Senior Clark won the men’s 5000-meter, while Schipper won the pole vault. In addition, Blake Choplin, Kevin Labus, Jim Notwell and Howard Howard finished second in the 4x800-meter relay and Greg Davis and Mitchell Gormley finished second and third, respectively, in hammer throw. Howard then followed up his relay performance with a second-place finish in the 800 meters.

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Notre Dame posted a 21-7 overall record with a flawless 14-0 mark in BIG EAST play to secure the program’s 25th overall—and 19th consecutive—winning season. The Irish made their 17th trip to the NCAA Championships as the BIG EAST regular-season champion and received an at-large bid. Notre Dame was ranked as high as No. 23 and received votes in the final American Volleyball Coaches Association Top 25 Poll.

The 11th regular-season BIG EAST title, which was the first outright title since 2004 after tying for top honors in 2005, came on the heels of a 14-match winning streak (the nation’s fifth-longest during the regular season). Notre Dame went on to win its opening contest of the BIG EAST Tournament to mirror the program’s second-longest winning streak (15).

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Brown was named the BIG EAST Conference Volleyball Coach of the Year and four Irish players earned an All-BIG EAST citations. Brown’s honor was her 10th overall and sixth since Notre Dame joined the BIG EAST in 1995. A trio of Irish seniors—Kaelin, Nicholas and Phillips—earned first-team all-BIG EAST honors while Sollica was named to the second team.

For just the second time in program history—and the first since 1995—Notre Dame earned a win over a top-five opponent in the Irish defeat No. 5 Stanford a 3-0 loss on Aug. 29.
HONORS + AWARDS

BASEBALL
(22-12/10-17 BIG EAST)
Ryan Connolly // SR., OUTFIELDER
- SouthShore Showdown
- Most Valuable Player
- Irish Baseball Classic All-Tournament Team
- Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Eván Danieli // JR., RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER
Selected in the 24th round by the Atlanta Braves
Mick Doyle // JR., SHORTSTOP
- Rosebelt Leadership Academy Participant
- Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Brian Dupra // JR., RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER
- Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Selected in the 11th round by the Student-Athlete Advisory Council

WILL HARFORD // SR., CATCHER
Selected in the 45th round by the Cincinnati Reds
Cassy Martin // SR., FIRST BASeman
Irish Baseball Classic All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Feb. 22)
BIG EAST Honor Roll (April 26)
Big Ten/BIG EAST Challenge All-Tournament Team
Eric Mautu // SR., RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER
Student-Athlete Advisory Council
Steven Mauz // SR., RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER
Selected in the 33rd round by the Baltimore Orioles
David Mills // SR., OUTFIELDER/LEFT-HANDED PITCHER
Irish Baseball Classic All-Tournament Team
John Glennon Two-Way Player of the Year Award
Midwest Watch List
BIG EAST Honor Roll (April 19)

MEN’S BASEBALL
(22-12/10-17 BIG EAST)
NCAA Championship First Round
BIG EAST Championship Semifinal
Tim Abromaitis // JR., GUARD
BIG EAST Scholar-Athlete Sport Excellence Award
BIG EAST Men’s Baseball Scholar Athlete of the Year
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA First Team Academic All-American
BIG EAST Honorables Menton Team
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockin Student-Athlete Award
Notre Dame Most Improved Player
- ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Dec. 3 & Jan. 20)

Ben Hansbrough // SR., GUARD
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (March 1)
Notre Dame Team Irish Award
Luke Harangody // SR., FORWARD
NCAA Consensus Second Team Academic All-American
First Team All-BIG EAST Associated Press Third Team Academic All-American
State Farm/Naational Association of Basketball Coaches Third Team Academic All-American
Unified States Basketball Writers Association Second Team Academic All-American
Sporting News Third Team Academic All-American
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
NABC District V First Team
Basketball Times All-Mid-Mideast
Oscar Robertson National Player of the Week (Jan. 13)
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Jan. 11 & Feb. 8)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Nov. 23, Dec. 21 & Jan. 4)
Selected in the second round by the Boston Celtics
Troy Jackson // SR., GUARD
BIG EAST Sportmanship Award
BIG EAST Championship All Team Academic All-District Team Academic All-District Team Academic All-District V
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award

Tyrese Nash // JR., FORWARD
Notre Dame Most Outstanding Player Award
Notre Dame Most Improved Player Award
Jonathan Peoples // JR., GUARD
Notre Dame Team Irish Award
Carleton Scott // JR., FORWARD
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (March 8)
Notre Dame Most Improved Player Award

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
(22-12/10-17 BIG EAST)
NCAA Championship Second 16
BIG EAST Championship Semifinalist
ESPN/USA Today Ranking–11th
Associated Press Ranking–7th
Ashley Barlow // SR., GUARD
WBCA/State Farm Coaches All-Region I
Midseason Naismith Trophy Candidate
Midseason Wooden Award Candidate
Second Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Nov. 23 & Dec. 20)
Notre Dame Defensive Player of the Year Award
Becca Bruszewski // JR., FORWARD
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Feb. 15)
Alena Chrislittlem // SR., GUARD
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockin Student-Athlete Award
Notre Dame Spirit Award
Skyler Diggin // FR., GUARD
Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American
WBCA/State Farm Coaches Honorable Mention All-American
Full Court Press First Team Freshman Academic All-American
WBCA/State Farm Coaches All-Region I
Second Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST All-Freshman Team (unanimous)
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team
Paradise Jam Island Division Most Valuable Player
Paradise Jam Island Division All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Freshman of the Week (Nov. 23, Jan. 11, Jan. 25 & Feb. 8)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Nov. 30)
Notre Dame Defensive Player of the Year Award
Melissa Lachlitter // SR., GUARD
NCAA Kansas City Regional All-Tournament Team
Paradise Jam Island Division All-Tournament Team
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-District V
All-BIG EAST
Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American
- ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-District V

Natalie Novosel // SR., GUARD
Notre Dame Most Improved Player Award
Lindsay Schrader // SR., GUARD
Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American
WBCA/State Farm Coaches Honorable Mention All-American
WBCA/State Farm Coaches All-Region I
State Farm Wade Trophy Candidate
First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Dec. 7, Jan. 4 & Jan. 25)
Notre Dame/Woody Miller Player of the Year Award
Erica Williamson // SR., CENTER
Notre Dame Spirit Award

MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY
NCAA Championship Participant–2024
NCAA Great Lakes Region–Champion
BIG EAST Championship–4th
National Catholic Championship–Champion
Valparaiso Crusader Invitational–Champion
Theresa Cattone // JR.
Valparaiso Crusader Invitational Champion
Tim Connolly // MWD-COACH
Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year
Lindsey Ferguson // SR.
NCAA Championship Participant
USTFCCCA All-American
All-Great Lakes Region
All-BIG EAST
National Catholic Champion
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
Karl Johnson // SR.
NCAA Championship Participant
Valparaiso Crusader Invitational Champion

MINNAI Valparaiso Crusader Academic All-District V
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockin Student-Athlete Award
Spencer Carter // JR.
Valparaiso Crusader Invitational Champion
Jake Walker // SR.
NCAA Championship Participant
BIG EAST Region
National Catholic Championship Runner-Up
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award

Kaitlyn Farrell // SR.
Notre Dame Most Improved Player Award
NCAA Championship Participant
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockin Student-Athlete Award
Kenneth O’Keefe // SR.
NCAA Championship Participant
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockin Student-Athlete Award
Mara Topp // SR.
NCAA Championship Participant
Rebecca Tracy // FR.
NCAA Championship Participant
Rachel Velarde // FR.
NCAA Championship Participant
Erica Watson // JR.
NCAA Championship Participant
WOMEN’S FENCING

Eileen Hassett // 50, SABRE 
NCAA Sabre Seventh-place Finisher 
Second Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Sabre Champion 
Midwest Fencing Conference Sixth-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Janus Bednarshi Award (Women’s Sabre Leadership)

Courtney Networking // 50, EPÉE 
NCAA Epée Third-place Finisher 
First Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Champion 
Midwest Fencing Conference Runner-Up 
First Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley 
Rockne Student-Athlete Award

Kelley Hutch // 50, EPÉE 
NCAA Epée Sixth-place Finisher 
Second Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Fifth-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference Champion 
First Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Notre Dame Women’s Epée MVP 
DeCiccio/Langford Award (Inspiration and Dedication)

Walter M. Langford Memorial Award (Sportsmanship, Leadership and Teamwork)

MEN’S FENCING

Reggie Bentley // 50, FOIL 
Midwest Fencing Conference Fifth-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Enzo Castellan // 50, FOIL 
NCAA Foil Third-place Finisher 
First Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Runner-Up 
Midwest Fencing Conference Runner-Up 
First Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Jason Choy // 50, SABRE 
NCAA Midwest Regional Sixth-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference Eighth-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Nicholas Creba // 50, EPÉE 
Midwest Fencing Conference 10th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Keith Feldman // 50, SABRE 
NCAA Midwest Regional Fourth-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference 10th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Marcel Fleckel // 50, SABRE 
Midwest Fencing Conference Seventh-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

Grant Hughes // 50, FOIL 
Midwest Fencing Conference 10th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection

James Kaul // 50, EPÉE 
NCAA Epée 10th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Seventh-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference Seventh-place (tie) Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Notre Dame Men’s Epee MVP

Steve Kukul // 50, FOIL 
Midwest Fencing Conference Third-place (tie) Finisher 
First Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
DeCiccio/Langford Award (Inspiration and Dedication)

Greg Knaub // 10, FOIL 
NCAA Midwest Regional Champion 
First Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Champion 
Midwest Fencing Conference Champion 
First Team All-Midwest Conference Selection 
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley 
Rockne Student-Athlete Award

Barron Nyman // 50, SABRE 
NCAA 10th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Fifth-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference Champion 
First Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Dan McManaman Award (Men’s Sabre Leadership)

M. Jacob // 50, FPÉE 
NCAA Midwest Regional Eighth-place Finisher

Zach Schiels // 50, FOIL 
NCAA Midwest Regional Foil Fifth-place Finisher 
Midwest Fencing Conference Seventh-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
John Crisler Award (Men’s Foil Leadership)

Greg Schoolcraft // 50, EPÉE 
NCAA Epée 12th-place Finisher 
Third Team All-American 
Midwest Fencing Conference Runner-Up 
Notre Dame Epée Award (Most Improved)

Andrew Seiffert // 50, EPÉE 
Steve Donlon Award (Men’s Epee Leadership)

Avery Zuck // 50, SABRE 
NCAA Midwest Regional Third-place (tie) Finisher 
First Team All-American 
NCAA Midwest Regional Runner-Up 
Midwest Fencing Conference Sixth-place Finisher 
Second Team All-Midwest Fencing Conference Selection 
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award 
Notre Dame Men’s Sabre MVP
FOOTBALL

James Aldridge // sr., FULLBACK
- Irish Leadership Committee
- Armond Allen // jr., HALFBACK
- Dooak Water Award Candidate
- Mike Ando // sr., CORNERBACK
- ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-American
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete of the Year Co-Recipient
- ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V
- ARA Sportsmanship Award Finalist
- Irish Leadership Committee
- Lott Award Watch List
- Sergio Brown // sr., SAFETY
- Irish Leadership Committee

Jimmy Clausen // jr., QUARTERBACK
- Sporting News First Team All-American
- Notre Dame Monogram Club Co-MVP Award
- Associated Press First Team Midseason All-American
- First Team All-American (unanimous)
- Associated Press College Football Performance Awards Co-MVP Award
- All-Big East
- Walter Camp Player Of The Year
- Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- American Scholar Team
- NCAA Central Regional—17th (49th overall)
- Final Golfstat Ranking — 42nd
- Men’s Golf

Darius Fleming // so., LINEBACKER
- Lineman of the Year Award Recipient
- CFPA Performer of the Week (Sept. 6)
- Nick Peterson Award Recipient
- Bednarski Award Watch List
- Irish Defensive Captain
- Karry Neal // jr., DEFENSIVE END
- Irish Leadership Committee
- Epic OlDom // sr., CENTER
- Sporting News Third Team All-American
- Guard of the Year Award Recipient
- Irish Offensive Co-Captain
- Rimington Award Midseason Watch List
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Selected in the sixth round by the Denver Broncos
- Kyle Rudolph // so., TIGHT END
- Irish Leadership Committee
- Mackey Award Semifinalist
- Mackey Award Midseason Watch List
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Selected in the sixth round by the Seattle Seahawks
- Nick Tausco // fr., KICKER
- Lou Groza Award Semifinalist
- Brandon Walker // jr., KICKER
- Lou Groza Award Watch List
- Dan Wengter // sr., CENTER
- Rimington Trophy Watch List
- Sam Young // sr., OFFENSIVE TACKLE
- Irish Leadership Committee
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Selected in the sixth round by the Dallas Cowboys
- Golden Tate // jr., WIDE RECEIVER
- Biletnikoff Award Recipient
- Associated Press First Team All-American (unanimous)
- Football Writers Association of America First Team All-American
- Sporting News First Team All-American
- American Football Coaches Association First Team All-American
- Walton Camp Football Foundation First Team All-American
- Notre Dame Monogram Club Co-MVP Award
- AT& T/ESPN All-America Player of the Week (Oct. 6)
- Walter Camp Player Of The Year Award Semifinalist
- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Biletnikoff Award Finalist
- Biletnikoff Award Semifinalist
- Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- Selected in the second round by the Seattle Seahawks
- Jeff Chan // sr.
- Bandon Dunes Championship (T-3rd of 36)
- Drop Fortner // sr.
- All-Big East
- Mason Rudolph Championship (T-3rd of 64)
- Bandon Dunes Championship (1st of 36)
- FAU Spring Break Championship (T-2nd of 93)
- Battle at the Warren Co-medalist (T-7th of 53)
- Bandon Dunes Championship (T-15th of 36)
- BIG EAST Golfer of the Week (March 24, March 31)
- Josh Sandman // sr.
- Gopher Invitational (1st of 72)
- Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic (T-7th of 72)
- Bandon Dunes Championship (2nd of 36)
- BIG EAST Golfer of the Month (September)
- Max Scodro // so.
- Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic (T-2nd of 72)
- Bandon Dunes Championship (T-15th of 36)
- BIG EAST Golfer of the Month (October)

MEN’S GOLF

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12th Men’s Golf Championship Run-up

Olive Batisa // sr.
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- Irish Leadership Committee

Katie Allare // sr.
- All-Big East
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- Ridge Lake Evans Invitational (T-14th of 82)
- Windy City Collegiate Invitational (T-1st of 82)
- Alamo Invitational (T-7th of 40)
- BIG EAST Championship (T-7th of 35)
- BIG EAST Golfer of the Week (April 14)

Katie Conway // sr.
- Alamo Invitational (T-33rd of 60)
- All-Big East
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team

Becca Ruff // sr.
- All-Big East
- Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
- Mary Fouss Invitational (T-14th of 110)
- Bandon Dunes Championship (T-15th of 36)
- BIG EAST Championship (T-3rd of 28)
- BIG EAST Golfer of the Week (September)

Becca Ruff // sr.
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team

So-Hyun Park // sr.
- Alamo Invitational (T-13th of 60)
- National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team

Kristin Wetzel // sr.
- National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team

WOMEN’S GOLF

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Final Golfstat Ranking—42nd

So-Hyun Park // sr.
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award
- National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team

Kristin Wetzel // sr.
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MEN’S LACROSSE

1997 (97-98) BIG EAST

HOCHEN

CCHA Tournament First Round

Brett Blackford  sr., DEFENSEMAN
- Charles “Laffy” Smith’s Coach’s Award
Shiffliagh Tournament
All-Tournament Team

Kevin Deeth  sr., CENTER
- Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley
Rockine Student-Athlete Award
- CCHA Scholar-Athlete Award
CCHA Mike & Marian Ilitch
Humanitarian Award Finalist
College Hockey Humanitarian
Award Nominee (One of 18)
- Shiffliagh Tournament
- All-Tournament Team

Mike Johnson  fr., GOALTENDER
- CCHA All-Rookie Team
- CCHA Freshman Cup Winner
- Notre Dame Rookie of the Year
- Shiffliagh Tournament
All-Tournament Team
- CCHA Goaltender of the Week (Jan. 25)

Nick Larson  fr., LEFT WING
CCHA Rookie of the Week (Jan. 17)
Kyle Lawson  sr., DEFENSEMAN
- William Donald Nyrop Defensive
Player of the Year Award
CCHA Goaltender of the Week
(Dec 14, 16, Jan. 25)

Brad Phillips  jr., GOALTENDER
- CCHA Goaltender of the Week (Oct. 19)

Calle Ridderwall  jr., LEFT WING
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
Notre Dame Offensive Player of the Year

Rich Ryan  so., LEFT WING
Notre Dame Most Improved Player Award

Ryan Tang  sr., LEFT WING
2010-11 Lowe’s Senior CLASS
Award Nominee

WOMEN’S LACROSSE

1997 (97-98) BIG EAST

ROWING

BIG EAST Conference Champion

Megan Kegan  jr., BIG EAST

BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Sarah Keithley  sr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight
- BIG EAST Scholar-Athlete Sport
Excellence Award
- Second Team All-BIG EAST
- CCHA Scholar Athlete
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley
Rockine Student-Athlete Award

Morgan Kelley  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight

Brittney Kelly  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight
- First Team All-BIG EAST

Brianna Krafick  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Genevieve Malone  jr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight

Evan McConnell  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Abby Meyers  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight
Carol Ann Michel  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Kathryn Molinaro  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Kelby Murphy  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight
Maura Newell  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight
Stephanie O’Neill  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight
- Second Team All-BIG EAST

Brigidan Padley  sr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Paige Armstrong  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight

Andrea Archer  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Four

Emily Bacher  sr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Teresa Blumenthal  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Valerie Brencher  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Four

Christina Buckley  jr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Kaitlyn Connolly  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Emily Crosby  jr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Four

Jacqueline Gilbooy  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Four

Stephanie Gretsch  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Eight
- First Team All-BIG EAST
- First Team All-Central Region (CIRCA)
- CIRCA Scholar Athlete

Kelsey Haddad  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Ching-Ting Huang  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Four

Alyce Kanabrocki  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Megan Kegan  jr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Joanna Poinsette  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Four

Casey Robinson  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Megan Salomon  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Four

Martin Stone, Joe Schlosberg and
Marrie Stahl  Coaching Staff
- BIG EAST Coaching Staff of the Year

Katie Szym  so., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Eight

Sarah Thompson  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Second Varsity Four

Megan Vercovitz  fr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

Paige White  jr., BIG EAST
- BIG EAST Champion Varsity Four

BIG EAST Champion Novice Eight

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MEN'S SOCCER

NCAA Championship Second Round - BIG EAST Championship Runners-up

Jabin Bowen Jr., Midfielder - Third Team All-BIG EAST
All-BIG EAST Championship Team

Tommy Skelly, Defender - Second Team All-BIG EAST
All-BIG EAST Championship Team

Marko Prcev, Forward - Second Team All-BIG EAST
All-BIG EAST Championship Team

Women's Soccer

NCAA Women's College Cup Semifinalist
BIG EAST Conference Champion
BIG EAST National Division Champion

Soccer America Ranking - 37th

Rose Augustine Jr., Midfielder
NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region
Second-Team All-BIG EAST
Santa Clara / adidas Classic
All-Atlantic Team
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll
(Aug. 23, Sept. 21, Oct. 26)
College Soccer 360.com PrimeTime Performer (Oct. 6)

Courtney Barg Sr., Midfielder
NSCAA First-Team All-American
M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Finalist
Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Year (Second Team)
NSCAA First Team All-Eastern Region
BIG EAST Midfielder of the Year
First-Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Inn at Saint Mary's Classic
All-Tournament Team
Santa Clara Monogram Club MVP Award
Santa Clara Club of St. Joseph Valley
Rockne Student-Athlete Award

Molly Campbell Sr., Defender
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V

Amanda Clark Jr., Defender
NSCAA First Team All-BIG EAST
All-Eastern Region

Larry Ford Jr., Defender
Santa Clara / adidas Classic
All-Atlantic Team

Lauren Fumiko Jr., Defender
NSCAA Third Team All-American
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Second-Team Academic All-American
Northeast Monogram Club MVP Award
Northeast Club of St. Joseph Valley
Rockne Student-Athlete Award
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V

Selected in the second round by the San Jose Earthquakes

Andrew Quinn Sr., Goalkeeper
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Sept. 7)

John Schaeffer Jr., Defender
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Oct. 12)

Spirit Award

Michael Thomas Jr., Midfielder
First Team All-BIG EAST
All-BIG EAST Championship Team
Second Team NSCAA
All-Eastern Region
TopDrawerSoccer.com National
First Team
adidas/U Credit Union Classic
All-Tournament Team

Mike Bertelli's Tournament All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Sept. 28)

Lower's Senior CLASS Award Candidate
NSCAA First Team Scholar All-American
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Third Team

Academic All-American
Northeast Monogram Club MVP Award
Northeast Club of St. Joseph Valley
Rockne Student-Athlete Award
ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V

Selected in the second round by the San Jose Earthquakes

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Sept. 29)
BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 29)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Oct. 12)

ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District V

Melissa Henderson Sr., Defender
Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Year (Honorable Mention)
NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region

First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Defensive Player
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Soccer America Team of the Week (Sept. 29, Nov. 15)

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Nov. 29)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 28)

Ryan Waldram Jr., Coach
Soccer America Division I National Coach of the Year

Lori Weis Jr., Goalkeeper
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Oct. 12)

Michael Weissenhof Sr., Forward

Selected in the fourth round by the Chicago Red Stars

Julia Schieider Jr., Defender
Soccer America Team of the Week (Oct. 27)
BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week (Oct. 26)

Jessica Schiavulli Jr., Defender
Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Year (Honorable Mention)
NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region

First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Defensive Player
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Soccer America Team of the Week (Sept. 29, Nov. 15)

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Nov. 29)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 28)

Taylor Knaack Jr., Midfielder/Forward

NSCAA / adidas Second Team Scholar All-Eastern Region

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Oct. 19)

College Soccer 360.com PrimeTime Performer (Oct. 20)

BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week (Oct. 19)

WOMEN'S SOCCER

NCAA Women's College Cup Semifinalist
BIG EAST Conference Champion
BIG EAST National Division Champion

Soccer America Ranking - 68th

Julie Schieder Jr., Defender
Soccer America Team of the Week (Oct. 27)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 26)

Jessica Schiavulli Jr., Defender
Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Year (Honorable Mention)
NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region

First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Defensive Player
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Soccer America Team of the Week (Sept. 29, Nov. 15)

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Nov. 29)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 28)

Randy Waldram Jr., Coach
Soccer America Division I National Coach of the Year

Lori Weis Jr., Goalkeeper
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Oct. 12)

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NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region

First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Defensive Player
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Soccer America Team of the Week (Sept. 29, Nov. 15)

Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week (Nov. 29)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 28)

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NSCAA Second Team
All-Eastern Region

First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Defensive Player
BIG EAST All-Tournament Team

Soccer America Team of the Week (Sept. 29, Nov. 15)
MEN’S SWIMMING + DIVING

BEAST Championship Runner-up
Bill Bass  Fr.
· All-BIG EAST—200 Individual Medley, 100 Fly

Steven Brus  Jr.
· BIG EAST Champion—800 Free Relay
· All-BIG EAST—800 Free Relay

Nathan Gentry  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—1-meter Diving, 3-meter Diving

Andrew Hoffman  Jr.
· BIG EAST Champion—800 Free Relay
· All-BIG EAST—400 Free Relay, 200 Free Relay, 200 Individual Medley

Max Kassner  Sr.
· BIG EAST Champion—800 Free Relay
· All-BIG EAST—400 Free Relay, 400 Medley Relay

John Luff  Sr.
· BIG EAST Men's Swimming Scholar-Athlete of the Year

Kevin O'Shaughnessy  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—400 Free Relay

Joshua Weis  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay

Kevin O'Shaughnessy  Sr.
· All-BIG EAST—200 Free Relay

Peter Petrucci  So.
· All-BIG EAST—400 Medley Relay, 100 Back

Joseph Raycroft  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—400 Medley Relay

Michael Sullivan  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—200 Individual Medley

Wes Villaflo  Jr.
· BIG EAST Championships Most Outstanding Diver
· BIG EAST Champion—1-meter Diving, 3-meter Diving

Calming Kr.  · HEAD MEN’S DIVING COACH
· BIG EAST Diving Coach of the Year

WOMEN’S SWIMMING + DIVING

BEAST Championship Participant (20th)

Brian Barnes  · HEAD WOMEN’S SWIMMING COACH
· BIG EAST Swimming Coach of the Year

Katie Casey  Jr.
· BIG EAST Champion—400 Medley Relay
· All-BIG EAST—200 Fly

Jenny Chiang  Fr.
· BIG EAST Champion—3-meter Diving
· All-BIG EAST—3-meter Diving

Della Cronin  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—300 Free Relay, 200 Free Relay

Ashlee Edgell  Sr.
· All-BIG EAST—200 Individual Medley, 400 Individual Medley

Megan Farrell  Sr.
· Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award

Kim Holden  Fr.
· BIG EAST Champion—400 Medley Relay, 200 Medley Relay, 100 Back, 200 Back
· All-BIG EAST—400 Medley Relay, 200 Medley Relay, 400 Free Relay, 100 Free, 200 Free

Kelli Kuhle  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST—100 Fly

Samantha Maxwell  Jr.
· Honorable Mention All-American—100 Breast

Anyaran Miller  Jr.
· All-American—50 Free
· BIG EAST Champion—400 Medley Relay, 200 Medley Relay, 50 Free
· All-BIG EAST—400 Medley Relay, 200 Medley Relay, 400 Free Relay, 200 Free Relay, 100 Free, 50 Free

Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award

Amy Prestinor  So.
· All-BIG EAST—400 Free Relay, 200 Free Relay

Lauren Scott  Fr.
· BIG EAST Champion—200 Medley Relay

Natalie Stolt  Sr.
· All-BIG EAST—1-meter Diving, 3-meter Diving

MEN’S TENNIS

BEAST Championship First Round
Stephen Havens  Jr.
· All-BIG EAST
· BIG EAST Player of the Week (March 10, March 31)

Samuel Keaton  So.
· Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
· BIG EAST Player of the Week (March 17)

MEGAN’S TENNIS

BEAST Championship Semi-Finalist
Cosmina Ciobanu  So.
· CUSP: The Magazine/CoSIDA Women’s At-Large Second Team Academic All-American
· All-BIG EAST
· Notre Dame Monogram Club Co-MVP Award
· Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award
· Notre Dame Monogram Club Postgraduate Scholarship
· NCAA Woman of the Year nominee (chosen by BIG EAST conference)

Kristy Frilling  So.
· ITA All-American (singles & doubles)
· All-BIG EAST
· BIG EAST Player of the Year
· Notre Dame Monogram Club Co-MVP Award
· Kail Krikul  So.
· ITA All-American (doubles)
· All-BIG EAST

Jay Louderback  HEAD COACH
· BIG EAST Coach of the Year

Shannon Mathews  So.
· All-BIG EAST

Chrisie McGaffigan  So.
· BIG EAST Freshman of the Year
· All-BIG EAST

Patrick Callahan  sr.
· BIG EAST Scholar-Athlete Sport Excellence Award
· Dick Brown Award (Above & Beyond the Call of Duty)

Niall Fitzgerald  sr.
· All-BIG EAST
· Tribe Invitational All-Tournament Team
WOMEN’S TRACK & FIELD
BIG EAST Indoor Championship – 8th
BIG EAST Outdoor Championship – 8th
Maddie Buttinger p. 30.
NCAA Championship – 19th place (5485m)
Jaclyn Espinoza p. 16.
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award
Elise Knutson p. 16.
NCAA Championship – 23rd place (javelin)
Jessica Rydeberg p. 16.
Outdoor All-American – 10th place (10,000 meters)
NCAA East Regional – 8th place (10,000 meters)
Joana Schultz p. 16.
BIG EAST Indoor Champion (400 meters)
BIG EAST Outdoor Champion (400 hurdles)
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award

VOLLEYBALL
CHICAGO BIG EAST
BIG EAST Conference Champion
BIG EAST Individual Champion
Debbie Brown HEAD COACH
AVCA Northeast Region Coach of the Year
BIG EAST Coach of the Year
Kristen Dealy p. 30.
BIG EAST Championship All-Tournament Team
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Sept. 14)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Aug. 31 & Nov. 2)
College Volleyball Update Top Performer (Nov. 3)
Notre Dame / adidas Invitational All-Tournament Team
Shamrock Invitational All-Tournament Team
Tara Enzweiler p. 10.
National Strength and Conditioning Association All-American
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award
Christina Kaasi p. 16.
AVCA All-Northwest Region
First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Nov. 9)
Jamel Nicholas p. 16.
AVCA All-Northwest Region / ESPN The Magazine Second Team Academic All-District V
First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Oct. 12)
Notre Dame / adidas Invitational All-Tournament Team
Xavier Invitational All-Tournament Team
Serenity Phillips p. 16.
AVCA Third Team All-American
AVCA All-Northwest Region
First Team All-BIG EAST
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
BIG EAST Player of the Week (Oct. 19)
BIG EAST Honor Roll (Sept. 7, Sept. 21, Sept. 28, Nov. 16)
Notre Dame / adidas Invitational All-Tournament Team
Xavier Invitational All-Tournament Team
Shamrock Invitational All-Tournament Team
Kellie Silvasche p. 18.
AVCA All-Northwest Region
Second Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Oct. 5)

MEN’S TRACK & FIELD
NCAA Indoor Championship – 33rd
NCAA Outdoor Championship – 33rd
BIG EAST Indoor Champion
BIG EAST Outdoor Champion
Adam Betram
Great Lakes Region Assistant Coach of the Year (USSTFCCCA)
Daniel Clark p. 50.
BIG EAST Outdoor Champion (1500 meters)
NCAA Championship – 12th place (1500 meters)
NCAA East Regional – 1st place (1500 meters)
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award
Jack Howard p. 50.
Indoor All-American (800 meters)
Sprinter at NCAA Indoor
BIG EAST Indoor Champion (800 meters)
Notre Dame Monogram Club MVP Award
Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockine Student-Athlete Award
Dan Jackson p. 50.
NCAA Championship – 20th place (10,000 meters)
NCAA East Regional – 8th place (10,000 meters)
Joe Piane and Staff
BIG EAST Men’s Indoor Coaching Staff of the Year
BIG EAST Men’s Outdoor Coaching Staff of the Year
Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year (USSTFCCCA)
Eric Quick p. 50.
BIG EAST Indoor Champion (triple-jump)
Kevin Schipper p. 50.
BIG EAST Indoor Champion (pole vault)
Outdoor All-American (pole vault)
NCAA Championship – 8th place (pole vault)
BIG EAST Outdoor Champion (pole vault)
NCAA East Regional – Tied for sixth place (pole vault)
Johnathan Shewel p. 50.
BIG EAST Indoor Champion (1000 meters)
Demos Veres p. 60.
BIG EAST Outdoor Champion (shot put)
NCAA Championship Participant (shot put)
NOTRE DAME MONOGRAM CLUB MVP
Men’s Basketball
Lake Harangody
Women’s Basketball
Melissa Leighner
Men’s Cross Country
Jake Walker
Softball
Katie Fleury
Women’s Cross Country
Lindsey Ferguson
Men’s Fencing
Avery Zuck
Women’s Fencing
Sarah Burttman
Football
Jimmy Clausen
Golden Tate
Men’s Golf
Max Scodro
Women’s Golf
Becca Huffer
Hockey
Cafe Riderwell
Women’s Lacrosse
Shaylyn Blaney
Men’s Soccer
Michael Thomas
Women’s Soccer
Courtney Barg
NOTRE DAME CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH VALLEY ROCKINE STUDENT-ATHLETE AWARD
Men’s Basketball
Tim Abromatis
Women’s Basketball
Alena Christiansen
Men’s Cross Country
Jordan Carlson
Women’s Cross Country
Elizabeth Taci
Men’s Fencing
Gerek Meinhardt
Women’s Fencing
Courtney Hurley
Football
Mike Arbelo
Chris Stewart
Men’s Golf
Olavo Bastilla
Women’s Golf
Annie Brophy
Hockey
Kevin Deeth
Women’s Lacrosse
Rachel Guerrero
Bowling
Sarah Keitney
Men’s Soccer
Michael Thomas
Women’s Soccer
Courtney Barg
Softball
Christine Lux
APPENDIX
Men’s Swimming and Diving
John Lyle
Women’s Swimming and Diving
Megan Farrell
Men’s Tennis
Daniel Stahl
Women’s Tennis
Cosmina Ciobanu
Men’s Indoor Track and Field
Jack Howard
Women’s Indoor Track and Field
Joanna Schutz
Men’s Outdoor Track and Field
Dan Clark
Women’s Outdoor Track and Field
Jacin Espinoza
Volleyball
Tara Enzweiler
NOTRE DAME’S 2009-10 ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS (5)

Tim Abromatis  
Men’s Basketball  
3.70, Finance  
Junior  
Univ. of Maine, Orono

Mike Anello  
Football  
3.93, Finance  
Senior  
Orland Park, Ill.

Lauren Fiore  
Women’s Soccer  
3.65, Science Business  
Junior  
Lex’s Summit, Mo.

Christine Lux  
Softball  
3.44, Accounting  
Senior  
Glendale Heights, Ill.

Michael Thomas  
Men’s Soccer  
3.45, Psychology  
Senior  
Oakton, Kan.

NOTRE DAME’S ALL-AMERICA / ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA DOUBLE HONOREES

Note: Notre Dame student-athletes have earned All-America and Academic All-America honors in the same academic year 69 times (by 57 individuals), including women’s soccer player Lauren Fowlkes in 2009–10. Here is the complete list of this elite group of high achievers:

Football (6/11 individuals/17 times; years refer to fall season)

Dan Sh onion (’54)  
Don Schaefer (’55)  
Bob Lemann (’55)  
Jim Lynch (’66)  
Tom Regner (’66)  
Jim Smithberger (’67)

Men’s Cross Country / Track and Field (12/14, cross country years refer to fall season)

Mike McLixiams (’95 track)  
Jeff Holmacki (’97 track)  
Jason Buxing (’98 CC/’99 track)  
Ennio Williams (’98 track)  
Mike Brown (’98 track and field)  
Ryan Shay (’01/02 track)  
Luke Watson (’01 CC/’02 and ’03 track)  
Todd Mobley (’03 CC)  
Tim Moore (’05 CC)  
Thomas Chamney (’06 and ’07 track)  
Todd Placek (’06 CC/’07 track)  
Patrick Smyth (’08 CC/’09 track)  
Women’s Cross Country / Track and Field (3)

Lauren Fiore (’08)  
Lauren King (’09 CC)  
Stephanie Madia (’05 CC/’06 track)

Softball (6/6)

Katie Marten (’95, ’96)  
Jarrah Myers (’01, ’02)  
Jan Sharron (’03)  
Stephanie Brown (’04)

Men’s Soccer (4/4)

Lauren Fowlkes (’08)  
Ryan Miller (’09)  
Matt Basler (’10)

Each with one (4/4)

Andy Zurcher (men’s tennis, ’04)  
Bill Lester (men’s fencing, ’96, ’97)  
Jen Hall (women’s tennis, ’99)  
Ruth Riley (women’s basketball, ’00, ’01)

Lauren Brewster (volleyball, fall of ’05)  
Erik Condra (hockey, ’09)

Baseball (4/4)

J. P. Gagne (’03)  
Steve Solimann (’03)  
Mike’s Basketball (3/4)

Bob Aronson (’97, ’98)  
Kelly Tripucka (’99)  
John Paxson (’82, ’83)  
Pat Garity (’89)

Women’s Fencing (3/4)

Holdi Piper (’91, ’92)  
Claudette DeBlois (’96)  
Adrienne Nott (’08)

Women’s Soccer (4/4)

Jan Remola (’95, ’96)  
Monica Gonzalez (’05)  
Brittany Beck (’07, ’08)  
Lauren Fowlkes (’09)

Men’s Soccer (2)

Ryan Miller (’09)  
Matt Basler (’10)

Notes: The above individuals include 12 who pulled the All-America/Academic All-America honors in two different years: Tom Gatewood, Bob Aronson, John Paxson, Holdi Piper, Katie Marten, Bill Lister, Jen Remola, Ruth Riley, Jarrath Myers, Luke Watson, Thomas Chamney and Brittany Beck. Notre Dame has produced at least one student-athlete with the All-America/Academic All-America distinction in 11 of the past 12 years (24 total in that stretch). Six pairs of teammates have earned the double honors in the same season: football’s Jim Lynch and Tom Regner (’66) and Gatewood and Joe Theismann (’70); softball’s Myers and Jan Sharron (’01); track’s Ryan Shay and Luke Watson (’02) and Thomas Chamney and Todd Placek (’07); and baseball’s J. P. Gagne and Steve Solimann (’03).
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- **Maggie Zentgraf**
  - Monogram Club Board Liaison
  - Women’s Lacrosse

- **Tamba Samba**
  - BIG EAST SAAC Representative
  - Men’s Soccer

- **Annie Brophy**
  - Center for Social Concerns Liaison
  - Women’s Golf

- **David Anderson**
  - Men’s Swimming & Diving

- **Courtney Barg**
  - Women’s Soccer

- **Ryan Connolly**
  - Baseball

- **Emily Crosby**
  - Rowing

- **Tyler Davis**
  - Men’s Tennis

- **Mick Doyle**
  - Baseball

- **Brian Dupra**
  - Baseball

- **Jaclyn Espinoza**
  - Women’s Track & Field

- **Megan Fesi**
  - Volleyball

- **Nathan Geary**
  - Men’s Swimming & Diving

- **Heidi Grossman**
  - Women’s Swimming & Diving

- **Eileen Hassett**
  - Women’s Fencing

- **Lamarr Holland**
  - Manager

- **Dan Kissel**
  - Hockey

- **Kelwyn Kuhike**
  - Women’s Swimming & Diving

- **Christine Lux**
  - Softball

- **Eric Maust**
  - Football & Baseball

- **Molly McEvily**
  - Cheerleading

- **Tom O’Brien**
  - Hockey

- **Casey Robinson**
  - Rowing

- **Zach Schiriz**
  - Men’s Fencing

- **Dan Schmitt**
  - Men’s Lacrosse

- **Jessica Schueveiller**
  - Women’s Soccer

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