

**2011 State Farm Missouri Valley Conference
Women's Basketball Championship Tournament
Quarterfinal Round * Game 3
#1 Northern Iowa 24-5, 17-1 vs. #8 Bradley 15-15, 7-11
March 12, 2010 * Family Arena, St. Charles, Mo.**

2011 REGULAR-SEASON MEETINGS -- UNI swept Bradley this season, 58-34 Jan. 29 in Cedar Falls behind Lizzie Boeck's 16 points and 8 rebounds and a defense which limited Bradley to .192 from the field for the game. Rachel Madrigal's 18 points led four UNI players in double figures scoring in a 71-61 win Feb. 25 in Peoria. ... UNI swept Evansville by a total of 78 points, 69-37 Jan. 21 in Cedar Falls as Amber Kirschbaum netted a 10-point, 10-rebound double-double. Katelyn Oney's 17 points led the Panthers's 69-33 win Feb. 19 in Evansville.

TOURNAMENT TYPE -- This repeated a 2010 quarterfinal when #4 seed UNI beat #5 seed Bradley 70-50 on the way to its first Valley Tournament championship ... The Braves got here with a 64-47 win over Evansville behind four players in double figures scoring and a defense which forced 26 turnovers and limited UE to 4-19 shooting after halftime ... UNI is 11-14 all-time in the Valley Tournament. The 2010 victory was UNI's first—and first trip to the title game. Before this year's No. 1 seed, UNI had never been seeded higher than third (1999, 2001, 2003 and 2006). UNI is 3-0 vs. BU in Valley Tourney games ... Bradley is 4-20 all-time in the Valley Tournament ... "tough to beat a team three times" is not the case in Valley women's basketball—in 78 cases where teams met in the tournament after one team had a regular-season sweep, the "sweeping" team won 59 times (78 percent) ... Quarterfinal round records: UNI 8-8, Bradley 2-13.

HEAD-TO-HEAD -- Bradley leads UNI 33-26 in the all-time series, but UNI has won 13 of 16 games since 2005.

PANTHER PRIDE -- The Panthers recorded a school record 17th straight win and school record 25th season win ... when the Panthers score 65 points this season, they are 21-0 ... UNI and Illinois State both were 9-0 at home in Valley games, the first time any Valley team has done that since 2004 ... The Panthers have serious at-large credentials if they don't win the tournament, including a #40 RPI and the fact that just six teams in the nation have MORE true road wins than UNI's 11 (UCLA & Duquesne have 13; Stanford, Houston, Marist & Wright State have 12 each) ... The Panthers' 218 3-point field goals and 436 assists are both school single-season records ... UNI's 17 Valley wins are four more than the Panthers ever achieved previously in league play. Before this year, the Panthers only had 8 winning conference records in 27 years in league play ... Jacqui Kalin, No. 3 in the nation in Free Throw Percentage (.921, 117-127) had made 39 straight free throws coming into the tournament—14 short of the Panther and Valley record 53 by former UNI star Katie Miller (2000), but she did not shoot one vs. Bradley . Kalin is No. 4 in the nation in Assist/Turnover Ratio (2.6) ... The Panthers rank among the nation's Top 25 in four statistical areas: 7th in Fewest Turnovers per game (13.7); 10th in 3-Point Field Goal Pct. Defense (.262); 15th in Turnover Margin (+5.14); 18th in Scoring Margin (+14.4 ppg) ... Lizzie Boeck tied the Panther record for career games played with 124 ... Lizzie Boeck (1367) and Jacqui Kalin (1364) are No. 5 and 6, respectively, in UNI career scoring. In career rebounding, Boeck and Brocka are tied for No. 5 with (722). Boeck is No. 5 in career blocks at UNI with 88.

BRAVE BITS -- With 26 minutes in the UNI game, Raisa Taylor became the sixth Bradley player to play 1,000 minutes in a season ... Taylor is Bradley's career leader in free throws made with 348 ... Paula Buscher missed on her first attempt at 150 career coaching wins at Bradley; her 149 is the Bradley coaching record.

FIRST HALF RECAP -- BU led 9-3 after Mackenzie Westcott's two free throws with 14:45 left, but a K.K. Armstrong layup and an Erin Brocka three-pointer brought UNI back within 9-8 at the 11:52 TV time out ... BU came out of the TV time out to go on a 9-2 run including two baskets and 3 rebounds by Leah Kassing to take an 18-10 lead ... BU led 20-12 with 9:21 left when a Lizzie Boeck bucket began a 26-6 UNI run featuring 15 points by Panther subs—9 by K.K. Armstrong ... UNI is now 24-2 when leading at halftime, Bradley is 3-15 when trailing at halftime.

SECOND HALF RECAP -- With a 16-4 start in the first 3:30 of the second half, UNI extended its blitz to 42-10 since 9:21 of the first half (12:51 total), giving the Panthers a 54-30 lead ... UNI had just 3 turnovers in the first 25 minutes of the game ... the Panthers made 12 3-pointers, matching the second most in Valley Tourney history and matching UNI's season high; the Valley Tourney record is 13 by Illinois State vs. Indiana State in 2004 ... K.K. Armstrong had a career-high 26 points ... UNI's matched its largest tournament margin of victory with 30 (75-45 vs. Wichita State in the opening round in 2008).