

**2011 State Farm Missouri Valley Conference
Women's Basketball Championship Tournament
Semifinal Round * Game 7
#1 Northern Iowa 61, #5 Wichita State 44
March 13, 2010 * Family Arena, St. Charles, Mo.**

2011 REGULAR-SEASON MEETINGS -- UNI swept Wichita State this season, 59-49 Jan. 8 in Cedar Falls, 77-57 Feb. 4 in Wichita ... In the first game, Jacqui Kalin scored 12 points as UNI built a 34-20 halftime lead ... In Wichita, Jacqui Kalin's 19 points led five Panthers in double figures scoring for UNI, while Morgan Boyd scored 16 off the Shocker bench ...

TOURNAMENT TYPE -- UNI and WSU met for the 4th time in Valley Tournament play. The Panthers have won all four—today, plus 62-50 in a 2000 quarterfinal in Springfield; 78-67 in a 2001 quarterfinal in Springfield and 75-45 in the opening round in 2008 in St. Charles ... UNI's first title game was a year ago, a 54-53 win over Creighton ... Wichita State has reached the championship game just once, losing 78-59 to Drake in 1997 in Springfield ... UNI is 12-14 all-time in the tourney, Wichita State is 7-19 ... Semifinal Records: UNI 2-6, Wichita State 1-4 ... UNI has its highest seed in tourney history—last year, the Panthers won the tournament as the No. 5 seed ... The Shockers four semifinal losses came as the lower seeded team.

HEAD-TO-HEAD -- UNI leads WSU 34-26 in the all-time series and UNI has won 25 of 27 meetings since 2000.

HOW THEY GOT HERE -- UNI hammered No. 8 seed Bradley 87-57 on Friday, with K.K. Armstrong scoring 26 points and UNI shooting 63 percent in the second half ... Haleigh Lankster had one of the most impressive stat lines in tournament history with 19 points, 14 rebounds, 6 steals, 3 assists, 1 block and 0 turnovers in a 58-52 win over Creighton. Down the stretch, Lankster scored 7 straight points to help the Shockers hold-off CU.

PANTHER PRIDE -- UNI is trying to be the third different Valley school to win back-to-back titles—only Missouri State and Drake have done it previously ... The Panthers recorded a school record 18th straight win and school record 26th season win on Saturday ... 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) ... UNI's 225 3-point field goals and 448 assists are both school season records ... Jacqui Kalin, No. 3 in the nation in Free Throw Percentage (91.5, 118-129) saw her free throws made streak end at 40—third longest in UNI history, tied for 4th longest in Valley history. Kalin is No. 4 in the nation in Assist/Turnover Ratio (2.6) ... The Panthers rank among the nation's Top 25 in four team stat areas ; 7th in Fewest Turnovers (13.7); 10th in 3-Point FG Pct. Defense (.262); 15th in Turnover Margin (+5.14); 18th in Scoring Margin (+14.4 ppg) ... Lizzie Boeck is the UNI career games played leader with 125 ... Boeck (1385) and Kalin (1385) are tied for No. 5 in UNI career scoring. In career rebounding, Boeck is No. 5 with 736 and Erin Brocka is No. 6 with 728. Boeck is No. 5 in career blocks at UNI with 90. Boeck picked up her 8th double-double of the season.

SHOCKER SHOTS -- WSU's six-game win streak ended ... Haleigh Lankster was 9-17 from the field today, but her teammates just a collective 9-42 ... In those 6 straight wins, WSU held opponents to 51.3 points per game and forced 21.7 turnovers per game, and seven different Shockers scored in double figures at least once ... Lankster has averaged 17.7 points per game during her last 7 games ... Wichita State is No. 14 in the nation in 3-Point Field Goal Defense (26.7).

FIRST HALF RECAP -- Haleigh Lankster scored 10 points in the first 7 minutes for WSU, going 5-for-5 ... WSU played the first 15:05 before committing a turnover (Jessica Diamond, traveling). UNI had 10 turnovers to WSU's 2 at halftime ... WSU led 20-19 on Jazimen Gordon's jumper with 8:10 left in the half, but WSU missed its last 12 field goals before halftime ... With 15-for-15 free throws against Creighton, the Shockers came into the game with 16 straight free throws made as a team, then added 5 more against UNI for 21 in a row before missing; WSU is No. 7 in the Valley this year in FT Pct. ... UNI is 25-2 when leading at halftime ... WSU is 0-10 when trailing at intermission.

SECOND HALF RECAP -- Jacqui Kalin scored the first basket of the second half to stretch the UNI lead to 29-23 ... WSU missed its first 3 field goals in the second half before Lankster scored with 17:32 left to end the drought at 0-15 (10:37 between field goals for the Shockers) ... Lankster's bucket was followed by a three-pointer by Chynna Turner (the first WSU 3 of the game), and UNI's lead was down to 29-28, but WSU never caught the Panthers ... Back-to-back Lankster baskets got WSU within 42-38 with 10:10 left, but UNI out-scored WSU 17-4 the rest of the way ... In the second half, Kalin (13) and Boeck (9) combined for 22 of UNI's 34 points while Lankster scored 10 of WSU's 21 ... WSU went scoreless from 5:08 to 0:13 of the second half (1-8, 6 turnovers).