

Women's Basketball (2003-2004): Recapping the 2003-04 Season

2003-04 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL RECAP

LET'S TAKE A LOOK BACK: The 2003-04 women's basketball season was one of ups and downs, but when the final buzzer sounded, the Panthers were proud of what they had accomplished. The team was picked fourth in the preseason with a full squad and when only nine players would suit up for the final game.

When it looked like UNI was down and out and with post-season hopes slipping away, the team never gave up. Not only did the Panthers make it to the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament, they were the number seven seed and went on to upset number two Creighton. They finished the season with a record of 12-17, 7-11 in league play.

"We had high expectations for this season," UNI head coach Tony DiCecco said. "A lot of unfortunate things happened to our team and by the time everything was all said and done, five kids had some major things happen to them, three of whom were starters. I am so proud of the resiliency of how they responded and how they were able to regroup in each of those situations."

Lone senior Amy Swisher had a lot of weight on her shoulders as she was on track to become UNI's all-time leading scorer. The Cedar Falls, IA, native not only broke the record, but she did it in front of her hometown crowd. She finished her career in the Purple and Gold with an unbelievable 1,851 points. She came into the game with Creighton on Feb. 20 tied with Diane Roberts (1985-88) with 1,701 and with just nine seconds off of the clock, she scored the first basket of the game. The game was stopped to honor her at half-court. She finished the game with a season-high 29 points.

The Panthers opened the season Nov. 24 when Houston came to the West Gym. The starting lineup was made up of four players who all played at Cedar Falls High School. Swisher, Emily Berry and Alex Cook all played together before Cook moved to Decorah and Kim Hansen was a part of the 2001 team that won the state title. The chemistry of the starters was known from day one, but it wouldn't be until the season progressed that two of them would realize the hardest role they would ever have would be supporting the team from the bench due to injuries.

After struggling with four tough losses early, including a loss to intra-state rival Iowa in the UNI-Dome, the Panthers pulled away with their first victory in a 53-46 win over Wyoming in the West Gym. They then had their first winning streak of the season as Berry stepped up her play, scoring 22 points with six assists in the 79-52 win over UMKC.

The success continued when the team headed to Hawaii for a Christmas tournament. With the sun shining down on the team, UNI won the four-team tournament, defeating Tennessee Tech 76-73 and Fairfield in overtime, 83-77. Playing its best basketball, things looked bright when it headed to Ames, IA, for an intra-state rival with Iowa State. The Cyclones proved to be too much as they dominated the game and pulled away with the 75-48 victory in front of 8,408 fans.

That same weekend, the Panthers opened up Valley play at Illinois State and Indiana State. Despite coming back from double digit deficits, they went home with two losses. Finally, back in the West Gym on Jan. 8, UNI had to face league-leading and undefeated Southwest Missouri State. Newcomers Hansen and Jessie Biggs both had great games. Hansen had a career night, scoring 21 points, while Biggs grabbed seven rebounds, then a career high. UNI had the lead early and fought throughout the game, but the Lady Bears were just too much, winning 80-65.

The team didn't let the losses get it down. It pulled away its first MVC victory of the season when Wichita State came to town. Cook had a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds. When things looked like they were turning around, UNI suffered a heart-breaking loss to Bradley. Trailing by one, the Panthers' last second shot didn't drop and they lost 53-52.

Back on the road, they had two big games ahead of them, including their rivals, the Drake Bulldogs. The story line seemed eerily familiar, down by double digits with a big comeback, only to lose 65-58. After dropping its game at Creighton, UNI came back to the West Gym with winning on its mind. In the 90-55 blowout of Southern Illinois, four players scored in double digits, with Berry going 6-for-7 from beyond the arc, scoring a team-high 21 points. The victory celebration did not last long when they lost center Hansen to a torn PCL and MCL in her right knee. The Cedar Falls, IA, native fell over her teammate going for a rebound and spent the rest of the season cheering from the sideline.

"We worked on staying positive and focused through the entire season because we felt that was what we could control," DiCecco said. "Each time we would lose somebody, it would take us two or three games to change our gameplan and find a way to have success working with what we had."

Hansen's teammates didn't want to let the injury get them down, as they knew they needed to step up if they wanted to win more games. In the 68-52 victory over Evansville, Tara King did just that. The freshman saw more playing time, dropping in 11 points, while Swisher, Cook and Berry all scored in double figures.

For the second time during the season, the Panthers' had another key game against the Shockers, but this time it was on the road. They were looking for their first league road win. Swisher not only led the team with 21 points, but her last-second shot fell this time as UNI was victorious, 67-65.

From there, the breaks just didn't go the Panthers way as the losses on the scoreboard along with the losses on the bench made the road even harder for the team. On Feb. 10, during a routine practice, sophomore Chelsey Matthias went up for a lay-up and planted her foot wrong, which fractured her tibia and fibula bones in her leg. After putting a metal bar in her leg for the compound fracture, she was out for the season. When things looked like they couldn't get any worse, UNI suffered the biggest loss of the season, when Cook broke her fourth metacarpal on her shooting hand on Feb. 14 against Bradley.

The team went into its last regular season road trip at Evansville and Southern Illinois. The Panthers were still in search of some more victories to insure one of the eight spots at the Valley tournament. They dropped the first game 76-67 at Evansville, but the play of sophomore Cassie Hager gave them the 70-68 win over Southern Illinois. The 6-7 center had a career night with 20 points and six rebounds, while Swisher led the team in scoring with 26.

"I thought our kids really believed that we were doing some things that would create some wins for us after the Southern Illinois game," DiCecco said. "We seemed to have this good feeling inside of us that we could accomplish something."

UNI came home for the final two games of the regular season knowing that victories over two of the top teams in the league would ensure it a spot in post-season play. Indiana State came to town expecting a win, but the Panthers had a different idea. Hager led the team with 14 points, while Biggs scored 12 along with six rebounds in the team's second consecutive two-point victory, 60-58. Swisher registered a double-double with 12 points and 15 rebounds.

On senior day, Berry made sure that her close friend and teammate Swisher did not finish her career without a fight. The junior guard was on fire, scoring 22 points, including five three-pointers, to send UNI to the MVC tournament with the 72-63 victory over Illinois State.

The Panthers not only made the tournament, but went on as the number seven seed to face number two Creighton. Despite dropping both meetings with the Bluejays earlier in the season, UNI refused to lose. Trailing by 10 at half time, lone senior Swisher carried the team to a 71-65 victory with an incredible 20 points and 16 rebounds. King dropped in 14, while sophomore Amanda Faas sparked the team off the bench in what could have been the biggest game in the program's history. The upset marked the last team to defeat the Bluejays before winning the WNIT.

For the second straight season, the Panthers advanced to the semi-finals of the league tournament and faced intra-state rival Drake. On a four-game winning streak, they believed in themselves and knew they had a chance to win. The first half was a dogfight, as UNI led by as many as nine points. The Bulldogs tied the game at 29 going into the locker room and pulled away with about five minutes remaining when Hager and Berry were forced to sit on the bench due to personal fouls. King finished with a career-high 20 points and Drake went on to win 66-54. Swisher had 11 points and eight rebounds in her final collegiate game.

"We found a lot of positives with this season," DiCecco said. "The biggest thing was that we found how to really be fighters. When you look at the toughness that we learned and how we were able to battle through adversity, that is what is going to pay enormous dividends for us down the road. And those are the things that will hopefully springboard us into one of the best years in the history of the UNI women's basketball program."

BEST OF THE BEST: Senior Amy Swisher and junior Alex Cook were selected to the Missouri Valley Conference first team. Cook also was named to the All-Defensive team while freshman Jessie Biggs was honored as a member of the All-Freshman team. This was the third time that Swisher was put on the Valley's first team, and the second appearance by Cook.

SWISHER BREAKS RECORD IN FINE FASHION: Senior Amy Swisher had an unbelievable game against Creighton on Feb. 20. The Cedar Falls, IA, native scored a season-high 29 points and broke the school's all-time scoring record, previously held by Diane Roberts (1985-88).

She scored the first basket of the evening with just nine clicks off the clock. The game was stopped and Swisher was presented the game ball. Swisher ended her career with 1,851 points.

UNI Scoring Leaders - Career

1. Amy Swisher (2001-2004) 1,851

1. Diane Roberts (1985-88) 1,701

3. Allison Starr (1997-00) 1,463

4. Deb Drenth (1980-83) 1,449

ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE: Junior Emily Berry was named Honorable Mention MVC Scholar Athlete. She has a 3.65 GPA in Math Education. Berry averaged 10.5 points and led the Panthers in assists with 106 and in three-pointers with 59.

VALLEY LOVES THE THREE: The Missouri Valley Conference was the No. 1 conference in three-point field goals per game during the 2003-04 season. With conference champion Southwest Missouri State ranked No. 1 and WNIT champion Creighton at No. 3, the Valley had three teams in the top four in NCAA three-pointers per game. Valley teams averaged 5.90 three-pointers per game.

DOUBLE THE FUN: Five players stepped up and delivered double-digit scoring performances in the upset over Creighton in the first round of the MVC tournament (March 11) Swisher led UNI with 20 points, followed by Tara King (14), Cassie Hager (12), and Emily Berry and Amanda Faas each put up 10 apiece.

ON A ROLL: The Panthers had won their last four games in a row, all over Valley opponents, before the season-ending loss to Drake on March 12. The last loss came on Feb. 27 (67-76) at Evansville before UNI was able to get victories over Southern Illinois (70-68), Indiana State (60-58), Illinois State (72-63) and Creighton (71-65). The Panthers needed to win the last three games to qualify for the conference tournament and the win over Creighton landed them in the semifinal game.

NINE IS FINE: Coach DiCecco was down to just nine players on his bench heading to the MVC Tournament, but in the March 11th win over Creighton, every player got into the game and positively contributed to the win.

“We know we’re shorthanded, but it’s a tremendous testament to the nine players we have left,” DiCecco said. “It’s amazing what our kids did and I give all the kids a lot of credit.”

NOT DONE YET: UNI career scoring leader and the lone senior on the team, Amy Swisher had another remarkable game carrying the Panthers to the win over Creighton (March 11). A determined Swisher finished with 20 points, one block and 16 rebounds.

“HOT SAUCE” FAAS: Going into the Drake game (March 12), sophomore Amanda Faas equaled or scored a career high in the last three games. The sparkplug off the bench scored 10 points, dished out three assists and swiped away two big steals in the win over Creighton (March 11).

FIRE AWAY: Against Creighton (March 11) the Panthers fired a sizzling 51.1 percent from the field 52.4% in the first half and 50.0% in the second. UNI shot 50 percent from beyond the arc (3-6) and 75.9 percent from the charity stripe (22-29).

HAGER OWNS THE BLOCK: Cassie Hager has a reputation around the league for blocking shots. Against Creighton (March 11), the sophomore from Perry, Iowa, swatted away five shots, tying Tammi Blackstone of Drake (March 7, 1998) for second place in blocks in a single game during the MVC tournament. As a team, the Panthers had 122 blocks on the year to their opponents’ 78.

KING OF THE COURT: Redshirt freshman Tara King set a career high with her 14-point performance against Creighton on March 11th and then one day later, scored 20 points in the loss to Drake. King picked up the garbage at the offensive end with eight rebounds and finished with 17 total rebounds on the weekend. She was 14-of-14 from the line and also handed out two assists and came away with two steals in the tournament.

GUESS WHO’S BACK: UNI was back in the semifinals of the MVC tournament for the second season in a row. Last year the Panthers beat Bradley (72-62) before falling to Indiana State on March 14.

THANKS FOR THE CHARITY: The Panthers know how to get to the line. UNI made 35 free throws (March 4-6) while Indiana State and Illinois State only took 22 shots at the charity stripe. Cassie Hager was a perfect 12-12 from the line in the two games and was 16-17 in the last six games.

BERRY THE THREE: Emily Berry was on fire from behind the arc March 4-6 hitting seven three-pointers. She torched Illinois State with five bombs en-route to a 22-point performance.

SO LONG, FAREWELL: Senior Amy Swisher said goodbye to the West Gym on (March 6) with a 14-point, six-rebound performance. UNI’s career scoring leader was honored before the game and then made the night even more special delivering the Panthers the win (in a must-win game) to secure a spot in the MVC conference tournament.

CAN’T STOP THE THREE: As a team, the Panthers have had at least one three-point shot in the last 141 games, dating back to November 27, 1999, in the 74-58 loss to Butler, when no UNI player was able to hit a three.

NO. 1 ON THE BLOCK: The Panthers led the Valley with an average of 4.24 blocks per game. UNI had a total of 127 blocks on the season.

BIG TIME: Freshman Jessie Biggs played all 40 minutes against Illinois State. The 5-9 guard was a rebound machine, getting eight

deffensive and two offensive boards for her first double-digit rebound performance of her collegiate career.

HAGER'S HOUSE: Sophomore Cassie Hager dominated the paint (Feb. 27-29) against Evansville and Southern Illinois, scoring 35 points, grabbing 10 rebounds and swatting away seven shots. She was 16 of 18 from the field. She scored a career-high 15 points against Evansville and then broke her record again when she poured in 20 points on a perfect nine-of-nine shooting from the field (tying a school record) against SIU. All in all, she broke six individual career records that weekend.

FAB 5: All five starters scored in double digits on Feb. 27 against Evansville. School scoring champion Amy Swisher and sophomore Cassie Hager led the way with 15 points apiece, Emily Berry followed with 14, while Jessie Biggs chipped in 12 and Tara King added 11. The last time all five starters scored in double digits for UNI was on Dec. 30th, 1994, against Northern Arizona.

SHARPSHOOTER: Cassie Hager tied a school record when she went nine-of-nine from the field on Feb. 29. Hager mixed it up with long-range jump shots and solid post play. She also was two-for-two from the line. She was nearly perfect, hitting 16-of-18 field goals and a perfect three-of-three from the charity stripe on the weekend.

HAVE NO FEAR, SWISHER IS HERE: Senior Amy Swisher scored the team's final 11 points in the Panthers' come-from-behind victory against Southern Illinois on Feb. 29, including a last second jump shot for the win. Swisher hit clutch free throws and a big three-pointer down the stretch. She ended with 26 points, 10 rebounds and six assists and was 10-of-13 from the line.

BIG-TIME MINUTES FOR BIGGS: Freshman Jessie Biggs played in all but 30 seconds on Feb. 27th and 29th against Evansville and Southern Illinois. Biggs did some serious damage offensively, scoring in double digits in both games with 12 points and 13 points, respectively. She averaged six rebounds a game, dished out seven assists and came up with two steals on the road trip.

STREAKY: Cassie Hager and Amy Swisher had dominant performances against Evansville and SIU Feb. 27-29 and there were stretches when they took the game into their own hands. Hager scored the first eight points (off of four baskets) to start things off against Evansville and then scored six consecutive points in the second half of the Southern Illinois game to get the Panthers on a roll. Swisher scored the final 11 points in the final minutes of play against SIU, including the game-winning jump shot.

SWISHER AND KING SWEEP MVC HONORS: Two Panthers stepped up and had tremendous performances against Creighton and Drake (Feb. 20-22). Amy Swisher earned Player of the Week and Tara King took home Rookie of the Week honors for their efforts. Swisher scored 52 points and had 29 rebounds on the weekend. King had a double-double against Drake.

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME: With just nine players suited to play for the Panthers Feb. 20 and 22 due to injuries, they needed a boost and they looked no further than lone senior Amy Swisher. Known for her offensive style at UNI, she broke the all-time scoring record, which came on her first basket against Creighton. She finished the weekend scoring an unbelievable 52 points, including a season-high 29 points against CU. Besides her ability to shoot the ball, she also dominated defensively, as well. In her two games, she recorded 29 rebounds, 17 of which came against Drake. She shot .512 from the field and .556 from beyond the arc.

DOUBLING UP FOR KING: For the first time this season, freshman Tara King had a double-double. In the game against Drake (Feb. 22), the forward was .500 from the field and 3-for-3 at the line, finishing with 13 points and tying her career high. King also crashed the boards, finishing the night with 11 rebounds. On the weekend, she averaged 10.5 points and nine rebounds while leading the team with five assists.

WHAT A NIGHT FOR CAS: Sophomore Cassie Hager earned her first start this season against Bradley Feb. 14. The 6-7 center did it in style with a career night. She tied her personal high of nine points, going 4-of-7 from the field. She had five blocks and five rebounds in her 31 minutes on the court. In the first half, she was 3-for-3 from the field and 1-for-1 at the line while grabbing three rebounds and blocking three shots.

BIGGS PLAYS BIG: Jessie Biggs was unstoppable Feb. 14 against Bradley. The freshman had a career night with 18 points, eight assists, three steals and two rebounds. She finished the first half with 10 points. She shot .500 (4-8) from the field, made two three-pointers and was 8-for-9 at the line.

Swishes the Game Winner: When the game is on the line and the Panthers need a victory, look no further than senior team captain Amy Swisher to get the ball. Against Wichita State Feb. 5, UNI was down by as many as 14 when freshman Jessie Biggs tied the game at 65. With time running out on a missed basket by the Shockers, Swisher took the ball down the court and made a 17-foot shot with 3.8 seconds remaining to give the Panthers their first MVC road victory.

DOUBLE TROUBLE FOR COOK: Forward Alex Cook had two great games against Wichita State and SMS on the road, recording a double-double in both games Feb. 5th and 7th. Against the Shockers, she scored 12 points and finished with 14 rebounds, while versus the Lady Bears, the junior had 14 points and 11 rebounds. Her 14 rebounds is the third time she has had as many this season, while the double-doubles bring her season total to 15 and her career number to 39.

KING BIG OFF THE BENCH: Freshman Tara King stepped up her play Jan. 29-31 after starting center Kim Hansen was injured and was named the Missouri Valley Conference Newcomer of the Week. King had a career night against Southern Illinois, scoring a

career-high 13 points and leading the Panthers with six rebounds. She finished the game shooting .500 (3-for-6) from the field and .875 (7-for-8) at the line. Against Evansville, she earned her second start of the season and for the second straight game, scored in double digits with 11 points. On the week, King averaged 12 points and five rebounds. She was .400 (6-for-15) from the field and .857 (12-for-12) at the line.

BLOCKING OUT THEIR OPPONENTS: The UNI women's basketball team had a great defensive game against Evansville Jan. 31 with a season-high 11 blocked shots, one shy of the school record. Individually, sophomore Cassie Hager led the team with six blocks, one shy of the school record of seven. On the season, the Panthers had 127 blocked shots to their opponents' 79.

WHAT A WEEK FOR BERRY: Junior Emily Berry had been struggling offensively, but against Southern Illinois Jan. 29 and Evansville, Jan. 31 she was on fire. She finished the week averaging 17 points while shooting .471 (8-17) from beyond the arc. In the 90-55 victory over SIU, she was 6-for-7 from three-point land, finishing the night with 21 points. Not only was she able to find the bottom of the basket, but she also found ways to feed her teammates with six assists. In the 68-52 victory over UE, she was one of three Panthers to score 13 points. Again, she finished the night with a team-high five assists. The Cedar Falls, IA, native was 8-of-11 (.727) at the line, finished with 11 assists, six rebounds and 34 points for the week.

UNI BLOWS PAST SIU: The Panthers have had success against Southern Illinois and Jan. 29 was no different as they went on to win by 35 points. UNI's largest Valley margin of victory also was against the Salukis when in 2002 it won by 37 (79-42). Since the Panthers started women's basketball in the 1968-69 season, their largest victory over any team was a 49-point win over Loras in 1980-81.

BERRY GOOD: Junior Emily Berry was unstoppable from beyond the arc against Southern Illinois Jan. 29. The guard was 6-of-7 from three-point land, tying a career-high six made three-point shots. She finished the night with 21 points and six assists in the 90-55 victory. The last time she made six treys was last season at Bradley (2/15/03).

HELLE HELPS OUT: Sophomore Amy Helle had not seen much playing time this season, but was able to help out at center with the loss of Kim Hansen. In the Panthers' win over Southern Illinois Jan. 29, she had a season-high eight points and four rebounds and her success from the field continued against Evansville Jan. 31, making three of her four shots from the field and scoring six points.

EVERYONE TAKES ONE STEP FORWARD: In the Panthers' 90-55 victory over Southern Illinois Jan. 29, not only did they break a three-game losing streak, but did it as a team. Everyone that suited up found ways to contribute in the victory with either a rebound, an assist, a point or a steal. UNI finished the night with 28 points coming off the bench.

KAUTZKY ADDS UP SOME POINTS: Sophomore Rachel Kautzky had her best performance wearing the Purple and Gold at Creighton on Jan. 25. The Perry, IA, native finished the night with a career-high seven points and her first career three-pointer while playing 18 minutes, by far the most of her career.

CAREER FIRST FOR COOK: Junior Alex Cook is known to do many things for the Panthers, from scoring to great defensive plays, but the forward from Cedar Falls, IA, is not known for her play from beyond the arc. Against Creighton on Jan. 25, Cook drained her first three-pointer of her career.

SHOOTING TO IMPROVE: The Panthers were able to get back their shooting rhythm against Drake and Creighton Jan. 22-25. Combined, UNI shot 45.8 percent from the field compared to its opponents' 43.1 percent. Against DU, the Panthers finished the night shooting 46 percent, while the Bulldogs were 39.6 percent from the field.

CAREER NIGHT FOR HANSEN: Kim Hansen enjoys playing in front of the home crowd and on Jan. 8 against Southwest Missouri state, it showed. The Cedar Falls native scored a career-high 21 points. In the first half, the sophomore was perfect from the field, shooting 4-for-4. She finished the night shooting 72.7 percent (8-11) from the field. Hansen came into the game struggling at the line, but against the Lady Bears, she was perfect (5-for-5).

WHAT A WEEK FOR HANSEN: The week of Jan. 5, Kim Hansen shot an unbelievable .682 (15-22) from the field and a team-high 35 points combined against Southwest Missouri and Wichita State. She was perfect from the line (5-5) and grabbed 4.5 rebounds while finishing the week with two assists, three blocks and two steals.

BIGGS CRASHES THE BOARD: Freshman Jessie Biggs might be a 5-9 guard, but against Southwest Missouri State Jan. 8, she played like a power forward. The Ottumwa, IA, native had a career-high seven rebounds, including six offensive boards. She finished with 67 rebounds on the year.

FAAS SPARKS THE PANTHERS: Sophomore Amanda Faas sparked the UNI offense off the bench against Southwest Missouri State and Wichita State. At the 15:19 mark in the first half, the guard from Cedar Rapids, IA, forced a steal on SMS' K.C. Cowgill and on a fast break, she scored unattended to give UNI its first lead. The Panthers went on an 8-0 run with that basket. With 11:30 remaining against WSU, she swiped a key steal, taking it coast-to-coast to put the Panthers up 49-43.

SWISHER STEPS UP AGAIN: Amy Swisher had another outstanding week Dec. 30-Jan. 4 for the Panthers, averaging 19.7 points,

6.3 rebounds and finishing the week with six assists and four steals. She was .447 from the field (21-47) and hit .500 from beyond the arc, making 10-of-20. Against intra-state rivals Iowa State, she led UNI with 19 points while finishing the night with four assists. In the two Valley games, the senior had a total of 40 points, including 15 rebounds. In the game at Indiana State, she recorded a double-double with 22 points and 10 rebounds.

King Starts In First Valley Game: Redshirt freshman Tara King earned her first spot in the starting lineup against Illinois State Jan. 2. The forward from Ottumwa, IA, stepped in for Kim Hansen and finished the night with six points and eight rebounds. She finished the two league games averaging 7.5 points and 4.5 rebounds.

SWISHER WAS UNSTOPPABLE: Amy Swisher was unstoppable in Hawaii. The Cedar Falls, IA, native finished the weekend averaging 26.5 points for a tournament-high 53. She shot .488 (21-43) from the field, including three from beyond the arc. The senior was perfect at the line making all eight attempts. Besides finding a way to score, she also finished the week averaging nine rebounds. In the championship game against Fairfield, she earned her first double-double of the season with 26 points and 10 rebounds. For her play, she was named the MVP of the Paradise Classic.

BIGGS HELPS OFF THE BENCH: True freshman Jessie Biggs had a great weekend off the bench and was named the MVC's Newcomer of the Week Dec. 29. The guard from Ottumwa, IA, entered the week making only two three-pointers and came up big for UNI in Hawaii, going 4-for-4 in the tournament. Not only did she make the shots but did it at some crucial times to give the Panthers the edge. She also finished the weekend with 19 points, seven coming from the free throw line.

BERRY SETS PERSONAL MARK: Emily Berry set a personal best in the 83-77 victory over Fairfield in overtime. The junior guard finished the night with a career-high 10 assists. Entering the game, she had seven assists in a game on three different occasions, including the day earlier in the win over Tennessee Tech. The Cedar Falls, IA, native was just three points shy of her first double-double of her career. The last Panther to have 10 assists in a game was Kary Dawson on Nov. 17, 1997.

COOKING FOR CHRISTMAS: Alex Cook had a great week Dec. 8-14 for the Panthers both offensively and defensively. The junior forward finished the week with 51 points, 33 rebounds, eight assists, seven steals and five blocked shots. In the game against in-state rival Iowa, Cook led the team with 20 points and 12 rebounds for one of her two double-doubles on the week. Against Wyoming, she was one rebound shy of a double-double with 17 points, nine rebounds, five assists, five steals and three blocked shots. To close out the week, she had 14 points and 12 rebounds against UMKC, 10 rebounds in the first half alone. Cook shot .513 (20-39) from the field and was 11-13 at the line.

HANSEN BLOCKS OUT IOWA: Sophomore Kim Hansen did a good job of blocking out the Iowa Hawkeyes. The Panther center had five blocks and six rebounds in the loss. Those were her first blocks as a Panther.

KING STEPS UP: The Panthers needed some assistance off their bench and in the 79-52 win over UMKC, freshman Tara King did just that. The forward from Ottumwa, IA, had a career night when she scored 10 points, including six at the foul line. In her 21 minutes on the court, she also had four rebounds and a blocked shot.

HONORING THOSE LOST: When the Panthers stepped on the court, they honored two people close to the program that lost their lives this year. On the bottom of their shorts, they had the initials KE and JS, which represent the lives of Kaitlyn Evans and John Sanders. Evans was an 11-year-old girl who loved UNI athletics and especially the women's basketball team. She passed away with her battle of cancer on July 14, 2003. Sanders worked for the Missouri Valley Conference and had just been named Assistant Commissioner for Operations and Championships before he was killed in a car accident on Nov. 1, 2003, in St. Louis, MO.

JESSIE MAKES BIG STEPS: True freshman Jessie Biggs not only had to make the adjustment to the collegiate game, but also to being in the starting lineup. A 5-9 guard from Ottumwa, IA, Biggs earned the starting role after senior Kara Opp decided to forgo her senior season. In her first game against Houston, she scored five points, had four assists and grabbed three boards.

FORMER TIGERS SCORE DOUBLE: In the overtime loss to Houston on Nov. 24, four Panthers scored in double figures. Amy Swisher (15), Emily Berry (13), Kim Hansen (13) and Alex Cook (12) all saw double digits in the game. The four all played high school for the Cedar Falls Tigers.

CEDAR FALLS CONNECTION: The 2003-04 Panthers had a very special bond and a large part of that was due to the fact that four of the athletes played in front of their hometown fans. Amy Swisher, Emily Berry, Alex Cook and Kim Hansen all grew up in Cedar Falls and

played basketball at Cedar Falls High School. Swisher, Berry and Cook had played together since the sixth grade, but Hansen was the only one to win a state title.

PANTHERS PICKED FOURTH: The UNI women's basketball team was picked fourth in the Missouri Valley Conference preseason poll. Southwest Missouri State was the preseason favorite, receiving 27 first-place votes. Creighton and Indiana State rounded out the top three. Senior Amy Swisher was named to the preseason team.

HOME GROWN: The UNI Panther roster had a “home grown” feeling to it again this season, as all 16 players were from the state of Iowa. The athletes represent 12 different towns, including three from Cedar Falls — the home of the University of Northern Iowa.

SURF THE WEB: The latest press releases, statistics, schedules, biographies and results for all UNI sports are available on the UNI Athletics home page. Updated daily, the new site is located at <http://www.unipanthers.com>. Panther fans also can listen live to all of the women’s basketball games at the same location. To follow what is going on in the Missouri Valley Conference, fans can log on at <http://www.mvc.org>.

2003-04 UNI Women’s Basketball Schedule

(12-17, 7-11 MVC)

Nov. 10 Johnson Financial (EX) W 77-76

Feb. 27 at Evansville* L 67-76

Nov. 17 Wayne State (EX) W 88-40

Feb. 29 at Southern Illinois* W 70-68

Nov. 24 Houston L 58-63 (OT)

Mar. 4 Indiana State* W 60-58

Dec. 2 at Wisconsin-Milwaukee L 40-67

Mar. 6 Illinois State* W 72-63

Dec. 4 at Illinois-Chicago L 61-70

Mar. 11-13 State Farm MVC Tournament

Dec. 8 Iowa (UNI-Dome) L 67-76

Mar. 11 Creighton **W 71-65**

Dec. 10 Wyoming W 53-46

Mar. 12 Drake L 54-66

Dec. 14 UMKC W 79-52

*Missouri Valley Conference Games

Dec. 22 vs. Tennessee Tech W 76-73

Home games are **bold**

Paradise Classic Christmas Tourney

2003-04 Missouri Valley Standings (3/31/04)

Dec. 23 vs. Fairfield W 83-77 (OT)

MVC .Pct Overall Pct. H A N

Paradise Classic Christmas Tourney

SMS 16-2 .889 28-4 .875 17-0 9-3 2-1

Dec. 30 at Iowa State L 48-75

Creighton 15-3 .833 24-9 .727 12-1 11-6 1-2

Jan. 2 at Illinois State* L 74-83

Drake 11-7 .611 16-14 .533 11-2 3-12 2-0

Jan. 4 at Indiana State* L 61-72

Indiana St. 10-8 .556 16-11 .571 9-3 5-7 2-2

Jan. 8 Southwest Missouri State* L 65-80

Illinois St. 9-9 .500 16-13 .552 9-5 6-7 1-1

Jan. 10 Wichita State* W 69-62

UNI 7-11 .389 12-17 .414 7-6 2-10 3-1

Jan. 17 Bradley* L 52-53

Bradley 7-11 .389 9-19 .357 6-6 3-11 0-2

Jan. 22 at Drake* L 58-65

Wichita St. 7-11 .389 10-18 .321 8-6 2-10 0-2

Jan. 25 at Creighton* L 54-81

Evansville 6-12 .333 11-16 .407 8-5 3-11 0-0

Jan. 29 Southern Illinois* W 90-55

SIU 2-16 .111 3-24 .111 1-10 2-13 0-1

Jan. 31 Evansville* W 68-52

MVC Team Leaders (3/31/04)

Feb. 5 at Wichita State* W 67-65

Scoring Offense 7th 64.1

Feb. 7 at Southwest Missouri State* L 54-68

Scoring Defense 4th 66.7

Feb. 14 at Bradley* L 70-76

Scoring Margin 6th -2.6

Feb. 20 Creighton* L 56-69

Free Throw Pct. 5th .714

Feb. 22 Drake* L 53-59

Field Goal Pct. 6th .403

Field Goal Pct. Defense 5th .415
3-point Field Goal Pct. 6th .315
3-point Field Goal Pct. Defense 9th .352
Rebounding Offense 2nd 39.5
Rebounding Defense 2nd 34.9
Reboundin Margin 2nd +4.6
Blocked Shots 1st 4.38
Assists 5th 14.38
Steals 9th 6.66
Turnover Margin 8th -3.07
Assist/Turnover Ratio 5th 0.78
Offensive Rebounds 5th 13.52
Defensive Rebounds 3rd 25.97
3-point Field Goals Made 8th 4.66

MVC Individual Leaders (3/31/04)

Scoring Amy Swisher 4th 16.4
Alex Cook 6th 13.9
Rebounding Alex Cook 2nd 10.3
Amy Swisher 6th 7.8
Field Goal Pct. Alex Cook 12th .450
Assists Emily Berry 11th 3.66
Free Throw Pct. Tara King 7th .819
Steals Alex Cook 14th 1.81
3-point FG Pct. Amy Swisher 9th .363
Jessie Biggs 10th .350 **3-point FG Made** Emily Berry 4th 2.03
Blocked Shots Cassie Hager 1st 2.22
Alex Cook 4th 1.24
Assist/Turnover Ratio Emily Berry 15th 1.03
Offensive Rebounds Alex Cook 3rd 3.00
Tara King 15th 2.00
Defensive Rebounds Alex Cook 1st 7.33
Amy Swisher 4th 5.83

2003-04 All-MVC First Team

Kari Koch SMS
Katie Donovan Illinois State
Jamie Gray Evansville
Laura Spanheimer Creighton
Amy Swisher UNI
Jenni Lingor SMS
Angela Buckner Wichita St.
Alex Cook UNI
Christy Neneman Creighton
Melanie Boeglin Indiana State

2003-04 Honorable-Mention

Erin Rhodes Indiana State
Dayna Finch Creighton
Meg Tierney SMS
Linda Sayavongchanh Drake
Genny Mueller Bradley

2003-04 All-Freshman Team

Stephanie Lisch Indiana State
Jill Martin Drake
Jen Brown Bradley
Erin Dohrmann Drake

Jessie Biggs UNI

2003-04 All-Defensive Team

Laura Spanheimer Creighton
Linda Sayavongchanh Drake
Melanie Boeglin Indiana State
Kari Koch SMS
Alex Cook UNI

2003-04 Situational Records When

UNI leads at half 8-4
UNI is tied at half 0-2
UNI is behind at half 4-11
UNI shoots under 30% FG 0-1
UNI shoots 30-39.9% FG 2-9
UNI shoots 40-49.9% FG 8-7
UNI shoots over 50% FG 2-0
UNI has better shooting pct. 9-4
UNI has same shooting pct. 1-0
Opp. has better shooting pct. 2-12
UNI outrebounds opponents 9-9
UNI ties opponents in rebounds 1-0
Opponent outrebounds UNI 2-8
UNI commits fewer turnovers 3-3
UNI and opp. have same turnovers 1-1
UNI commits more turnovers 7-14
UNI makes 0-4 3-pointers 7-9
UNI makes 5-9 3-pointers 5-8
UNI makes 10 or more 3-pointers 0-0
UNI scores under 50 points 0-2
UNI scores 50-59 points 1-7
UNI scores 60-69 points 4-6
UNI scores 70-79 points 5-2
UNI scores 80 or more points 2-0
Opp. scores under 50 points 1-0
Opp. scores 50-59 points 3-2
Opp. scores 60-69 points 4-7
Opp. scores 70-79 points 3-6
Opp. scores 80 or more points 0-3
Overtime Games 1-1
vs. Ranked Teams 0-1
MVC Only Team Leaders (3/07/04)

Scoring Offense 7th 64.9
Scoring Defense 5th 67.8
Scoring Margin 7th -2.9
Free Throw Pct. 5th .708
Field Goal Pct. 4th .419
Field Goal Pct. Defense 5th .418
3-point Field Goal Pct. 4th .340
3-point Field Goal Pct. Defense 7th .349
Rebounding Offense 2nd 38.3
Rebounding Defense 3rd 35.8
Rebounding Margin 4th +2.6
Blocked Shots 1st 4.50
Assists 4th 15.31
Steals 9th 6.31
Turnover Margin 9th -3.31
Assist/Turnover Ratio 6th 0.81
Offensive Rebounds 6th 12.62
Defensive Rebounds 3rd 25.69
3-point Field Goals Made 6th 5.06
MVC Individual Leaders (3/07/04)
Scoring Amy Swisher 4th 16.1
Alex Cook 7th 13.8
Rebounding Alex Cook 2nd 10.1
Amy Swisher 6th 8.0
Field Goal Pct. Alex Cook 7th .476
Assists Emily Berry 11th 3.67
Jessie Biggs 15th 3.17
Free Throw Pct. Tara King 14th .764
Steals Alex Cook 13th 2.00
3-point FG Pct. Amy Swisher 10th .380
Jessie Biggs 14th .355 **3-point FG Made** Emily Berry 4th 2.17
Amy Swisher 15th 1.50
Blocked Shots Cassie Hager 1st 2.47

Alex Cook 5th 1.33

Assist/Turnover Ratio Emily Berry 14th 1.00

Jessie Biggs 15th 0.95

Offensive Rebounds Alex Cook 8th 2.50

Amy Swisher 15th 2.11

Defensive Rebounds Alex Cook 1st 7.58

Amy Swisher 4th 5.89

Starting Lineups

Irons, Berry, Swisher, Cook, Hansen 6-8

Biggs, Berry, Swisher, Cook, King 2-1

Biggs, Berry, Swisher, Cook, Hansen 1-3

Irons, Berry, Swisher, Cook, King 0-1

Biggs, Berry, Swisher, Cook, Hager 0-1

Biggs, Berry, Swisher, King, Hager 3-3

Bench Scoring

Opponent UNI Opp. Diff. W L

Houston 0 5 (-5) L

UW-Milwaukee 5 16 (-11) L

Illinois-Chicago 2 26 (-24) L

Iowa 6 22 (-16) L

Wyoming 2 12 (-10) W

UMKC 19 14 (+5) W

Tennessee Tech 21 16 (+5) W

Fairfield 20 22 (-2) W

Iowa State 8 27 (-19) L

Illinois State 24 10 (+14) L

Indiana State 9 16 (-7) L

SMS 6 27 (-21) L

Wichita State 34 12 (-22) W

Bradley 18 22 (-4) L

Drake 18 19 (-1) L

Creighton 18 24 (-6) L

Southern Illinois 28 19 (+9) W

last Dec. 12, 1981-Jan. 8, 1982

Consecutive Losses: 17, Dec. 17, 1983-Feb. 24, 1984

Consecutive Home Losses: 11, Jan. 19, 1979-Jan. 24, 1980

Consecutive Road Losses: 23, Feb. 23, 1983-Jan. 5, 1985

Points Per Game Scored: 73.7, 1974-75

Points Per Game Allowed: 83.6, 1978-79

2003-04 MVC Preseason Poll

1 SMS (27) 379

2 Creighton (12) 365

3 Indiana State (1) 301

4 UNI 277

5 Wichita State 230

6 Drake 212

7 Bradley 147

8 Evansville 129

9 Illinois State 105

10 Southern Illinois 52

2003-04 MVC Preseason Team

Melanie Boeglin Indiana St.

Angela Buckner Wichita St.

Kari Koch SMS

Christy Neneman Creighton

Amy Swisher UNI

What Happened By UNI Player

Player had 25 points 26, Amy Swisher at Southern Illinois (2/29/04)

Player had 30 points 36, Amy Swisher vs. Bradley (3/13/03)

Player had 40 points 40, Diane Roberts, Illinois St. (3/1/85)

Player had 5+ three-pointers 5, Emily Berry vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Player had 10-15 rebounds 10, Jessie Biggs and Cassie Hager vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Player had 15+ rebounds 15, Amy Swisher vs Indiana State (3/4/04)

Player had 10 assists 10, Emily Berry vs. Fairfield (12/23/03)

Player had 8 steals 8, Nikki Spettel, UW-Green Bay (11/19/00)

Player had 4 blocked shots 6, Cassie Hager vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Player had 8 turnovers 8, Amy Swisher at SMS (2/7/04)

8, Emily Berry at SMS (2/7/04)

Player had a double-double 14p-10r, Cassie Hager vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Player had a triple-double 12p-10r-10a, Kris Huffman, E. Illinois (3/7/02)

Player had 40 minutes Jessie Biggs vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

What Happened By UNI Team

Team had 80+ points 90, vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Team had 80 points and lost 88-90, Indiana State (1/11/03)

Team had 90+ points 90, vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Team had 90 points and lost 106-112 (4OT), Drake (1/23/93)

Team had 100+ points 106, Drake (1/23/93)

Team had 50 points in a half 57, SMS (2/20/03) (2nd)

Team had 50 points or less 48 at Iowa State (12/30/03)

Team had 50 pts. or less & won 48-46, Buena Vista (3/1/74)

Team had 40 points or less 40, Wisconsin-Milwaukee (12/2/03)

Team had 60 rebounds 64, Sam Houston (11/30/02)

Team had 20 off. rebounds 28, at Illinois St. (1/2/04)

Team had 35+ def. rebounds 37, Wichita State (2/22/03)

Team had 20 assists 25, vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Team had 15 steals 15, UW-Green Bay (11/19/00)

Team had 6+ blocked shots 7 vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Team had 30 turnovers 30, SMS (3/5/98)

Team had 9 turnovers or less 9, Illinois State (1/4/02)

Team made 50% FG 50.0, at SIU (2/29/04)

Team made 55% FG 58.5, Drake (1/19/02)

Team made 60% FG 60.0 vs. Nebraska (11/24/01)

Team made 50% FG and lost 60.0 vs. Nebraska (11/24/01)

Team made less than 25% FG 22.2, SW Missouri St. (1/30/99)

Team made 10 three-pointers 11, at Bradley (2/15/03)

Team made 0 three-pointers 0, Butler (11/27/99)

Team had 5 players w/ 10+ pts. Evansville (2/27/04)

Team had 6 players w/10+ pts. Creighton (2/20/90)

Team had 5 starters w/10+ pts. Evansville (2/27/04)

Team had all who played score Bradley (1/19/03)

No players with 10+ points Nevada (11/22/96)

What Happened Miscellaneous by UNI

Overtime win 83-77 vs. Fairfield (12/23/03)

Overtime loss 58-63, Houston (11/24/03)

Away crowd over 5,000 7,762 at SMS (2/7/04)

Home crowd over 4,000 4,048 vs. Iowa State (12/20/00) at UNI-Dome

Home sellout 2,145, Drake (2/17/02)

Technical foul UNI Bench vs. Drake (2/22/04)

Home loss 53-59 vs. Drake (2/22/04)

Away win 70-68 vs Southern Illinois (2/29/04)

Neutral site win 83-77 vs. Fairfield (12/23/03)

Beat a ranked team 65-58, #24 Iowa State (12/8/02)

Lost to a ranked team 54-68, #25 SMS (2/7/04)

Postseason Game Lost 58-56 at Baylor (3/20/03) (WNIT)

#3 Jessie Biggs

Season/Career Game Highs

Points: 18, at Bradley (2/14/04)

Rebounds: 10, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Assists: 8, at Bradley (2/14/04)

Steals: 3, at Bradley (2/14/04)

Field Goals Made: 5, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04)

Field Goal Att.: 12, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04)

3-pt. FG Made: 3, at Evansville (2/27/04)

3-pt. FG Att.: 7, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04)

Free Throws Made: 8, at Bradley (2/14/04)

Free Throws Att.: 9, at Bradley (2/14/04)

Minutes: 40 vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Double-Figure Point Games: 6

3-pt. FG Att.: 0 1, Illinois State (1/9/03)

Free Throws Made: 8, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 8, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Free Throws Att.: 8, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 8, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Minutes: 36, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04) 36, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04)

Double-Figure Points Games: 6 6

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 1 2

Double-Doubles: 1 1

#14 Chelsey Matthias

Season/Career Game Highs

Points: 3 twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Rebounds: 1 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Assists:

Steals: 2 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Field Goals Made: 1, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Field Goal Att.: 4, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

3-pt. FG Made: 1, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

3-pt. FG Att.: 4, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Free Throws Made: 1 at UW-Milwaukee (12/2/03)

Free Throws Att.: 2 at UW-Milwaukee (12/2/03)

Minutes: 10 vs. UMKC (12/14/03)

Double-Figure Point Games: 0

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 0

Double-Doubles: 0

#22 Alicia Irons

Season/Career Game Highs

Points: 4, three times last vs. Wichita State (1/10/04)

Rebounds: 4 at UW-Milwaukee (12/2/03)

Assists: 6 vs. Iowa (12/8/03)

Steals: 6 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

Field Goals Made: 2, twice last at Indiana State (1/4/04)

Field Goal Att.: 7 vs. Wyoming (12/10/03)

3-pt. FG Made: 0

3-pt. FG Att.: 1, four times last vs. UMKC (12/14/03)

Free Throws Made: 4 vs. Wichita State (1/10/04)

Free Throws Att.: 4, twice last vs. Wichita State (1/10/04)

Minutes: 35 vs. Wyoming (12/10/03)

Double-Figure Point Games: 0

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 0

Double-Doubles: 0

#24 Rachel Kautzky

Season Game High Career Game Highs

Points: 7 at Creighton (1/25/04) 7 at Creighton (1/25/04)

Rebounds: 4 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 4 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Assists: 1, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 1, several times

Steals: 1, vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 1, at Indiana State (2/9/03)

Field Goals Made: 3 at Creighton (1/25/04) 3 at Creighton (1/25/04)

Field Goal Att.: 6 at Creighton (1/25/04) 6 at Creighton (1/25/04)

3-pt. FG Made: 1 at Creighton (1/25/04) 1 at Creighton (1/25/04)

3-pt. FG Att.: 3 at Creighton (1/25/04) 3 at Creighton (1/25/04)

Free Throws Made: 0 1, Bradley (1/19/03)

Free Throws Att.: 0 4, Bradley (1/19/03)

Minutes: 18 at Creighton (1/25/04) 18 at Creighton (1/25/04)

Double-Figure Point Games: 0 0

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 0 0

Double-Doubles: 0 0

#25 Tara King

Season/Career Game Highs

Points: 20 vs. Drake (3/12/04)

Rebounds: 11 vs. Drake (2/22/04)

Assists: 4 at Evansville (2/27/04)

Steals: 3, twice last vs. Illinois State (3/6/04)

Field Goals Made: 7 vs. Drake (3/12/04)

Field Goal Att.: 10 at Evansville (2/27/04)

3-pt. FG Made: 0

3-pt. FG Att.: 1, twice vs. Tennessee Tech (12/22/03)

Free Throws Made: 8 vs. Creighton (3/11/04)

Free Throws Att.: 8, last vs. Creighton (3/11/04)

Minutes: 40 vs. Creighton (3/11/04)

Double-Figure Point Games: 7

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 1

Double-Doubles: 1

#32 Emily Berry

Season Game High Career Game Highs

Points: 22, twice last vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 27 vs. Arkansas State (12/13/02)

Rebounds: 5, twice last vs. Bradley (1/17/04) 6 twice

Assists: 10 vs. Fairfield (12/23/03) 10 vs. Fairfield (12/23/03)

Steals: 4, vs. SMS (1/8/04) 4 four times, last vs. SMS (1/8/04)

Field Goals Made: 6 seven times, last vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 9 vs. Arkansas State (12/13/02)

Field Goal Att.: 17 vs. Houston (11/24/03) 17 vs. Houston (11/24/03)

3-pt. FG Made: 6 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 6 three times last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

3-pt. FG Att.: 13 at Indiana State (1/4/04) 13, twice last at Indiana State (1/4/04)

Free Throws Made: 6, twice last vs. UMKC (12/14/03) 7 vs. Indiana State (1/6/02)

Free Throws Att.: 7, twice last vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 9 vs. Indiana State (1/6/02)

Minutes: 39, vs. Illinois State (3/6/04) 40 several times

Double-Figure Point Games: 12 14

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 0 0

Double-Doubles: 0 0

#44 Amy Swisher

Season Game High Career Game Highs

Points: 29 vs. Creighton (2/20/04) 36 vs. Bradley (3/16/03)

Rebounds: 17 vs. Drake (2/22/04) 18 at Southern Illinois (2/21/02)

Assists: 6, at SIU (2/29/04) 6, at SIU (2/29/04)

Steals: 4, vs. SMS (1/8/04) 6 at Tennessee-Martin (11/18/01)

Field Goals Made: 13 vs. Creighton (2/20/04) 15 at Illinois State (2/7/03)

Field Goal Att.: 25, twice last vs. Fairfield (12/23/03) 27 at UW - Green Bay (12/13/01)

3-pt. FG Made: 4, twice last at Indiana State (1/4/04) 5 at UW - Green Bay (12/13/01)

3-pt. FG Att.: 8 vs. Houston (11/24/03) 11 at UW-Green Bay (12/13/01)

Free Throws Made: 10 at SIU (2/29/04) 10 at SIU (2/29/04)

Free Throws Att.: 13 at SIU (2/29/04) 13 at SIU (2/29/04)

Minutes: 38, vs. Indiana State (3/4/04) 38 several times last vs. Indiana State (3/4/04)

Double-Figure Point Games: 26 74

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 9 23

Double-Doubles: 9 22

#45 Alex Cook

Season Game High Career Game Highs

Points: 20 vs. Iowa (12/8/03) 22, twice

Rebounds: 14, three times last at Wichita State (2/5/04) 19 vs. Wichita State (2/22/03)

Assists: 5, twice last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 5, three times last vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04)

Steals: 5 twice last vs. Evansville (1/31/04) 5, three times last vs. Evansville (1/31/04)

Field Goals Made: 9 vs. Iowa (12/8/03) 9, twice last vs. Iowa (12/8/03)

Field Goal Att.: 17 vs. Fairfield 17 vs. Fairfield

3-pt. FG Made: 1 at Creighton (1/25/04) 1 at Creighton (1/25/04)

3-pt. FG Att.: 1 three last at Creighton (1/25/04) 1, several times

Free Throws Made: 9 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03) 9 twice last at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

Free Throws Att.: 10 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03) 10 twice last at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

Minutes: 38 twice last at Wichita State (2/5/04) 40, several times

Double-Figure Point Games: 19 40

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 14 38

Double-Doubles: 13 34

Minutes: 36 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

#52 Amy Helle

Double-Figure Point Games: 9

Season Game High Career Game Highs

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 3

Points: 8 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 10 vs. Sam Houston State (11/30/02)

Double-Doubles: 3

Rebounds: 4 twice last at Wichita State (2/5/04) 7, twice

Assists: 1 vs. Houston (11/24/03) 1, three times last vs. Houston (11/24/03)

Steals: 1, twice last at Illinois State (1/2/04) 1, five times last at Illinois State (1/2/04)

Field Goals Made: 4 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 4 vs. Sam Houston State (11/30/02)

Field Goal Att.: 7 vs. Southern Illinois (1/29/04) 5 vs. Sam Houston State (11/30/02)

3-pt. FG Made: 0 0

3-pt. FG Att.: 0 0

Free Throws Made: 2, twice last at Drake (1/22/04) 4, at Indiana State (2/9/03)

Free Throws Att.: 3 vs. Creighton (2/20/04) 4, twice

Minutes: 23 vs. Drake (2/22/04) 23 vs. Drake (2/22/04)

Double-Figure Point Games: 0 1

Double-Figure Rebound Games: 0 0

Double-Doubles: 0 0

#53 Kim Hansen

Season/UNI Career Game Highs

Points: 21, vs. SMS (1/8/04)

Rebounds: 12 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

Assists: 2 twice last at Illinois State (1/2/04)

Steals: 3 vs. Wyoming (12/10/03)

Blocks: 5 vs. Iowa (12/8/03)

Field Goals Made: 8, vs. SMS (1/8/04)

Field Goal Att.: 13 twice last at Illinois State (1/2/04)

3-pt. FG Made: 0

3-pt. FG Att.: 0

Free Throws Made: 5, vs. SMS (1/8/04)

Free Throws Att.: 7 at Illinois-Chicago (12/4/03)

