

# 2010 STATE FARM PAC-10 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT Post-Game Notes

GAME 4: #1 Stanford 72, #8 Arizona 52 Friday, March 12, 2010

- Stanford has qualified for the semifinals in each of the Tournament's 9 seasons, having won all of its quarterfinal contests.
- This was the 6<sup>th</sup> time that Arizona and Stanford have met in the Tournament, with the Cardinal winning each time. It was the 4<sup>th</sup> time in the quarterfinals ('06, '07, '09 and '10). Twice the teams met in the championship game ('03 and '04).
- Stanford's all-time record in Tournament games is 23-2. Arizona's all-time record is now 8-9.
- Stanford has a chance to complete the season without losing to a Pac-10 opponent, something no team has done since the Conference began playing a tournament in 2002. In that season, the Cardinal entered the Tournament undefeated in conference play but lost in the final to ASU. Stanford has a streak of 35 wins vs. conference opponents.
- Cardinal freshman Joslyn Tinkle started in place of Jayne Appel. It was Tinkle's second start of the season.
- Arizona forward Ify Ibekwe broke the school's single season rebounding record with 18:23 to go in the first half. It was her 340<sup>th</sup> of the season, eclipsing the 339 gathered by Shawntinice Polk in 2004.
- The Wildcats held the Cardinal scoreless (0-6 from the field) for the game's first 3:37 and took a 2-0 lead. Stanford took its first lead of the game, 7-5, on two Nnemkadi Ogwumike free throws at 15:38. The points were part of a 14-2 run that gave the Cardinal a 16-7 lead. Six straight points by lbekwe cut that lead to 16-13 at 7:47. Stanford pushed its lead to 10 points on 4 occasions, including at the half (34-24). Ogwumike and lbekwe each had 15 first half points.
- Arizona's Soana Lucet, who had a game high 22 points against WSU in the opening round, scored her first points of the game on 2 free throws with 17:17 to go in the game. She then quickly added 2 field goals to cut the Cardinal lead to under double digits (41-33). Wildcat Brooke Jackson's 3 point field goal at 13:35 cut the Cardinal lead to 43-40. Stanford then inserted Appel into the game for the first time, which was quickly followed by an 8-0 Cardinal run. After the Wildcats closed to within 8 points (54-46), the Cardinal went on an 8-0 run to put the game away; Appel had 6 points in the run.
- Ibekwe earned her second double-double of the tournament and 40<sup>th</sup> of her career (in 84 games). She had 18 points and 13 rebounds.
- Ogwumike scored 25 points, her 15<sup>th</sup> 20+ point game of the season. Her 10 rebounds gave her the 11<sup>th</sup> double-double of the season. Teammate Kayla Pedersen added her 11<sup>th</sup> double-double of the season (11 points -11 rebs.)
- Stanford's Jeanette Pohlen attempted 11 3 point field goals, equaling the most in a Tournament quarterfinal game. Her 5 made three pointers ties for 2<sup>nd</sup> in a quarterfinal contest.



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# Arizona Head Coach Niya Butts

#### On her team's effort

"We just didn't have enough power down the stretch to stay in it, but we fought hard and I'm certainly proud of them for that."

## On the impact of Jayne Appel coming off the bench for Stanford

"(Jayne) Appel is a whole other dimension. She requires so much attention and she's such a great passer. Even when you double-team her, she finds the open player and they just rotated the ball so much better when she's in the post."

#### On being able to contend with top teams

"We certainly feel like we can play in that game. It's a matter of 'how long can we sustain it?'"

## On why her offensive gameplan was to attack the basket

"They're so well-versed offensively that if you don't go at them, I think you're just sitting back and playing into their hands."

## Arizona senior guard Ashley Frazier

#### On playing Stanford evenly for much of the game

"I feel like we fought hard the whole game, but so did Stanford. Stanford is a great team. It's hard to play a team that makes very few mistakes."

## Stanford head coach Tara VanDerveer

On putting Jayne Appel in the game:

"I thought Jayne (Appel) came in and gave our team a great spark. Her presence out there was really relaxing to everyone."

On Jayne Appel's effect on the rest of the team:

"When she came in the game, I saw this whole different demeanor come over our team."

On the remainder of the Pac-10 tournament:

"It was a win, but I think we're going to have to play a lot better if we want to win the Pac-10 Championship."

## Stanford senior center Jayne Appel

*On playing with her ankle injury:* "It just kind of felt like an old ankle. You just kind of forget about it. I think almost every athlete does."

## Stanford sophomore forward Nnemkadi Ogwumike

On having Jayne Appel back on the court:

"I think most of my teammates felt a little bit more comfortable in the sense that we had that one person we depend on for a lot of things in (the game)."