

# Sports

## NU hires former Bradley coach

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The stability of the Nebraska football program and the success of the Big Eight Conference's men's basketball teams this season were enough to lure Angela Beck to the women's basketball coaching job at Nebraska.

Beck, a former coach at Bradley, succeeds former Cornhusker coach Kelly Hill. Hill resigned at the end of Nebraska's 11-17 season this year.

Although she left a Brave program that was on the upswing, Beck said her choice to become the second Cornhusker women's coach in four years wasn't difficult.

"I feel like I just won the lottery," she said at a news conference in the South Stadium lounge. "I feel very happy because the Husker program is going nowhere but up."

Beck said that she will try to use the tradition the Nebraska football program has established and the new-found success of the Big Eight Conference men's basketball teams as selling points for her program.

The Nebraska women's basketball program has always lacked stability, but Beck said she hopes to firmly establish it through the help of

the men's athletic program at Nebraska.

"I've stolen off everybody I could get my hands on," Beck said. "Nebraska football will help me because of the tradition. They're No. 1 — I understand that."

Beck said that she chose to leave her coaching position at Bradley largely because of the poor seed that the winner of the Gateway Conference was given in the NCAA tournament.

The Braves started four sophomores on a team that compiled a 16-12 record last season, and Beck said she knew that things were beginning to look even brighter at Bradley when she signed four highly touted recruits on the NCAA's early signing date last November.

But when the opportunity to coach in the Big Eight conference arose, Beck said, she knew she couldn't pass it up because of the vast difference between the two conferences. Comparably, the Gateway Conference is fairly weak, she said.

Beck said she is confident she can turn the troubled women's basketball program at Nebraska around enough that the Cornhuskers will find themselves one day competing in the NCAA tournament.

During her first coaching tenure, at Southeast Missouri State, Beck guided an Indian team,

which was 9-15 during her first year as coach in 1980-81, to a pair of 20-win seasons the following two years.

At Bradley, she guided a Brave program which was 9-18 in 1983-84 to 13-14 and 16-12 records. Beck's career coaching record is 92-78.

"I don't want to talk about concrete wins and losses," Beck said. "But I think you are going to see good things happen to the program."

Beck said that once basketball practice begins this October, she will continue to use her strict disciplinarian coaching style in hopes of establishing a fastbreak offense.

Under her leadership, Beck said the Huskers will use sound fundamentals to overcome their opponents.

Beck said that she credits much of her coaching success to John Wooden, the former UCLA basketball coach who captured seven consecutive national championships from 1967 to 1973.

It's from people like Wooden, North Carolina State coach Jim Valvano and Indiana coach Bobby Knight that Beck said she hopes to borrow coaching philosophies in establishing herself at Nebraska.

"I didn't want to feel as if my job was on the

line every year," she said. "I'm a confident individual — I'm not really scared about this."



Andrea Hoy/Daily Nebraskan  
Beck

## Nebraska snaps losing streak; takes two from Northern Colorado

Nebraska's baseball team swept a doubleheader from Northern Colorado, 10-9 and 11-2, Tuesday at Buck Beltzer Field, ending a four-game losing streak.

In the first game, the Cornhuskers led 7-3 after four innings, helped greatly by a five-run third inning. But Northern Colorado came back, scoring five runs in the top of the fifth, including a grand slam home run by catcher Tori Tomasino. Northern Colorado took the lead, 8-7.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, Nebraska regained the lead, 9-8, on two runs, and held on from there for the win. Both teams traded runs in the

eighth inning for the final score.

Husker right-hander Phil Goguen was credited with the win, raising his season record to 2-0. Rocky Johnson recorded the save.

Nebraska dominated the second game, taking a 7-1 lead after two innings. Leading 2-1 after the first inning, Nebraska led off the inning with a homerun by Rich King, his eighth of the season. Nebraska baserunners stole five bases in the inning advancing to scoring positions. Nebraska left only one runner on base in the inning.

Mark Kister added to Nebraska's final score, knocking a three-run homer over

the straightaway center-field wall in the eighth inning.

John Lepley was credited with the win for the Huskers, raising his record to 2-1.

Coach John Sanders said he was pleased with the performance of his Nebraska team.

"This was an important win for us at this point in the season," Sanders said. "We got to play a Division I team in the middle of the week, and we don't usually get to do that. They gave it their best shot and we turned it around."

Sanders said that this is the time of the season when the team should re-evaluate what needs to be done for the remainder of the season, both on a team and an individual basis.

Nebraska will host Creighton Wednesday and Thursday.

## Softball team shuts out Antelopes, sets records

The Nebraska women's softball team, behind the pitching of Lori Sippel and Donna Deardorff, shut out the Kearney State Antelopes in a double header Tuesday, 15-0 and 12-0.

The two Husker pitchers recorded 26 strikeouts between them.

Sippel, a sophomore from Canada, had 16 strikeouts in the first game, tying her record for strikeouts in a seven-inning game. She recorded 16 in two outings last year. Her previous high for this year had been 14 against both Oklahoma State and Texas-Arlington. At one point, Sippel struck out eight consecutive batters before Loper Julie Norskov grounded out.

Sippel almost had her second no-hitter in less than a week, but with two out in the seventh, Loper Mary

Olsufka reached first on an infield hit.

Three records were either tied or broken in the first game. The Huskers' 15 runs in a game was the most scored since the 1978-79 season. The Huskers' 16 hits in seven innings broke their previous record of 14 set against Drake in 1981. Heidi Schliabach and Katie Wolda tied a record for most runs scored, each scoring three. Margie Ogradowicz tied the record, scoring three in the second game.

The second game started as a defensive struggle. Nebraska didn't score until the third inning, using three hits to garner three runs.

In the fourth inning, Nebraska scored five runs to put the game away. Deardorff recorded 10 strikeouts in the win.

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