

## NU freshman works to earn her first start

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Monson's troubles at the start of the first game Sunday, Pettit stuck with her.

"As the match progressed," Monson said, "my confidence grew. And as my confidence grew, my passing improved and I did a lot better."

With Krondak still suffering from the flu, Monson recorded a career-high five kills on 20 hitting attempts in the Huskers' three-game win over the Sooners. Entering the match, Monson had just one kill this season.

Monson credited her increased playing time to improved play in practice.

"The first couple of weeks," she said, "I came in and wasn't sure what to expect. But this last week, I stepped it up in practice."

Monson is satisfied with her new role, even if she doesn't start for the rest of the season, she said.

"At least now I know I can go out there if Jaime or Kate is struggling and add something to the team," Monson said.

"I feel like I've found a role on this team."

## Huskers look to Tyronn Lue

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Since then, NU has lost nine lettermen. The Huskers return just five players: seniors Bernard Garner and Mikki Moore and sophomores Markowski, Tyronn Lue and Venson Hamilton.

Lue will fill the leadership role left by four seniors from last season, Markowski said.

"He's only a sophomore," Markowski said of Lue, who started every game but one as a true freshman, "but we all look up to him because he's the point guard — the leader of the team. Tyronn is very vocal. That's what

a good team needs."

Lue, who averaged 8.5 points and 4.1 assists per game a year ago, said he felt no pressure leading the team.

"I like to be the leader," he said. "It makes me feel more confident."

Sophomores Troy Piatkowski, Alvin Mitchell, Larry Florence and true freshman Cookie Belcher will join the team this fall.

"Our newcomers are going to have to step up and play like juniors and seniors," Lue said.

"I think we can do well. It doesn't matter how much talent we have as long as everybody plays hard."

## Freshmen excited to play

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freshmen start learning the NU system immediately. Beck said she has no major expectations for the freshman class, except that the newcomers play with intensity every day at practice.

However, some may be called on to make an immediate impact for NU, which is trying to fill the void left by Kate Galligan, Lis Brenden and Pyra Aarden.

Seniors Tina McClain, Sheila McPherson and Amy Gusso; juniors Anna DeForge, J.J. Jurgens, Jami Kubik and Emily Thompson; sophomores Kate Benson and Cori McDill

return for NU, which finished 19-10 and lost to Colorado State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Brooke Schwartz, a freshman from Gering, may make the biggest impact. She will probably battle senior LaToya Doage for the starting point guard spot vacated by Brenden, Beck said.

Another freshman who may battle for a starting spot is freshman Nicole Kubik.

True freshmen Charlie Rogers, Naciska Gilmore, Jill Fosdick and redshirt freshman Renee Saunders also join the team this season.

## Major League Playoffs

### Brave bats awaken in 14-0 rout

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Back from the brink of elimination, the Atlanta Braves aren't about to go quietly.

Spraying hits with a vengeance from the start, the defending World Series champions equaled the biggest rout in postseason history, overwhelming the St. Louis Cardinals 14-0 Monday night to close their deficit in the National League Championship Series to 3-2.

The Braves silenced the Busch Stadium record crowd of 56,782 that came to see a clincher with a five-run first inning, then kept attacking in a frightening display.

When Javier Lopez homered to dead center the next inning, Atlanta led 11-0 and already had set an NLCS record with 17 hits. John Smoltz got the win for the Braves.

Four-time Cy Young Award winner Greg Maddux will pitch game six Wednesday night against Donovan Osborne in Atlanta. If the Braves win, they'll start Tom Glavine in game seven on Thursday.

The winner of the series will play the New York Yankees in game one of the World Series Saturday in New York.

## NU golfers 2 shots back; Tacha leads

*From Staff Reports*

The Nebraska women's golf team is two shots behind first-place Texas A&M after two rounds of the Marilyn Smith-Sunflower Invitational in Lawrence, Kan.

The Cornhuskers shot a 317 on Monday, the best round of the day, for a two-day total of 638. The Aggies, who shot a tournament-best 314 on Sunday, lead the 14-team invitational with a 636.

NU junior Rachelle Tacha leads the tournament with a 153 after shooting a 78 on Tuesday. Tacha fired the low round of the invitational on Sunday, a 75. Isabelle Rosberg of Texas A&M is one shot behind Tacha. Kelly Heffer of Colorado and Colorado State's Kim Pulliam are at 156.

Nebraska's Hanne Nyquist and Shirin Hornecker are tied at 159, good for eighth place. Other Husker golfers include: Melissa Becker, 30th at 167; Elizabeth Bahensky, 40th at 169; Denise Woodard, 49th at 173 and Gretchen Doerr, 61st at 176.

The tournament is being played at the par-72 Alvarum Public Course. The final round begins today at 8:30 a.m.

Despite Nebraska's position, Krapfl said she was disappointed with Monday's round.

"Fortunately, we're only two shots back of Texas A&M," Nebraska Coach Robin Krapfl said. "As poorly as we played today, that's one bright spot that we're still in contention for the tournament title."



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3. Alpha Xi Delta B (3-1)
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5. Kappa Delta (2-1)

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1. The House (1-0)
2. Alpha Delta Pi (1-0)
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4. Delta Gamma (0-1)

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