

TWO-TIME DEFENDING MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS | SIX STRAIGHT POSTSEASON APPEARANCES | SIX CONSECUTIVE 20-WIN SEASONS





## **Postgame Notes**

## (3) No. 9/8 Connecticut vs. (2) No. 6/5 San Diego State NCAA West Regional Semifinal | March 24, 2011

Final Score: No. 9/8 Connecticut 74, No. 6/5 San Diego State 67 - NCAA West Regional Semifinal Records: San Diego State: 34-3; Connecticut: 29-9



## **GENERAL TEAM NOTES**

- \* Despite the loss, San Diego State finished its season with a 34-3 record, the best mark in school history.
- \* The 34 wins were the most in program history, easily eclipsing the 26 victories in 2008-09.
- \* The 34 wins were the most by a Steve Fisher-coached team. His previous best occurred in 1992-93 when he guided Michigan to a 31-5 overall record. That season, the Wolverines advanced to the NCAA championship game.
- \* The Aztecs finished the season with a 20-2 road/neutral record.
- \* After San Diego State went 15,713 days between NCAA Tournament victories (Div. II on March 9, 1968 to Div. I on March 17), the Aztecs won two in three days at last weekend's NCAA Regional in Tucson, Ariz.
- \* Steve Fisher suffered his first loss in a Sweet 16 game. His teams are now 4-1 in Sweet 17 games.
- \* Steve Fisher's NCAA Tournament record is now 22-10.

## PLAYER NOTES

- \* D.J. Gay (16 points, 4 rebounds) Had 16 points, two more than he had in his last three games combined... Posted his 19th double-figure scoring game of the season and his first since scoring 15 points at UNLV in the MWC Championship semifinals.
- \* Billy White (14 points, 6-for-8 FG's) Reached double-figures in scoring for the seventh consecutive game, extending his season-long streak... The double-figure scoring performance is his 19th of the season and the 63rd of his career... Finished the postseason (three games in MWC tournament, three in NCAA tournament) by averaging 14.3 points and 9.0 rebounds per game.
- \* Malcolm Thomas (13 points, 8 rebounds) Posted his 22nd double-figure scoring game of the season and 39th of his career..
- \* Kawhi Leonard (12 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists) Posted his 32nd double-figure scoring effort, which extends his career-long streak of 14 straight games with at least 10 points... In the postseason (three games in MWC tournament, three in NCAA tournament), averaged 16.7 points and 9.3 rebounds per game.
- \* Chase Tapley (12 points, 4-for-5 3PT FG's) Matched his career high for three-point field goals with four this afternoon... Knocked down at least two three-point field goals in each of his last three games (8-for-15 over that stretch)... Posted third straight 10-plus point effort, his 14th such game of the season and the 27th of his career... Today marked the first time this season, and the second time of his career, in which he registered double figures in scoring.