# NCAA Men's College World Series Game 11 (Georgia vs. Stanford) Hall of Fame Room, Rosenblatt Stadium Saturday, June 21, 2008

#### Georgia Head Coach Dave Perno

(opening statement): "Today was about getting our offense going and getting those clutch hits early. We have come through a really tough bracket with some of the top teams and I'm proud of our guys for hanging in there and making it through."

(about bullpen's performance): Our bullpen was phenomenal in the middle innings. It's who we are."

### Georgia third baseman Ryan Peisel

(about the difference from this year to last year): "We've learned that it's not over until it's over and to keep pressing. We're mentally tougher after last year and we've banded together."

# Georgia shortstop Gordon Beckham

(about the difference from this year to last year): "We're so much better at the mental game. Last year we thought things would go wrong and they did. This year we just think happier thoughts."

(about playing after so many days off): "We were ready to go. Now we're in the national championship and we want to be playing on the last day."

## Georgia first baseman Rich Poythress

(about performance at the plate) "I wanted to help take the pressure off the top of the lineup and I was able to sneak a couple of balls through. We got the W and that's what's important."

## **Stanford Head Coach Mark Marquess**

(opening statement): "First of all I'd like to congratulate Georgia. They're a great team. They were too much for us today. We couldn't stop them. We played them twice here, and they're a better team than we are. As far as our team is concerned, I'm very proud of this team. We surprised a lot of people, including me. This (College World Series) is a great experience for all of us, not only the coaches, but most importantly the student-athletes. I'm proud of how we completed. This game belongs to a stronger team in Georgia."

(about rally in bottom of the 9<sup>th</sup>): "That's indicative of what we've done all year. We've battled all year. It's tough to come back, but two freshmen came off the bench to start the rally."

(about Georgia's success at the CWS): "I thought they were playing well (coming into the CWS). Sometimes it helps to have a tougher super regional. They lost one there. The key is when you get here to play like you're capable of playing. They not only got a lot of hits, but they got timely hits. I think they're playing like they've played all year."

# Stanford starting pitcher Jeremy Bleich

(about whether Georgia was hitting good pitches or he was throwing bad pitches): "It was a mixture of both. They're a great hitting ballclub."

#### Stanford catcher Jason Castro

(about Georgia's pitching): "They did a great job of pitching inside and out and mixing offspeed pitches effectively. They came up in big spots and made some plays."

(about this team's success this year ): "Coming into this year we knew we had a good group, a special group of guys that could do something special. We knew we could come out and do what we did today."