

## 2008 NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL REGIONAL AT TALLAHASSEE POSTGAME QUOTES

### GAME FOUR: Tulane 4, Bucknell 1

#### BUCKNELL QUOTES

##### HEAD COACH GENE DEPEW

###### (opening statement)

"First of all, I'd like to congratulate Tulane on a very well-played ball game. They had quality pitching from both their pitchers and their aggressive base running was a very good thing for them. You know, we obviously needed more than three hits to win a ball game. I think that we had a lot of opportunities earlier in the game. We had some bases on balls and just couldn't get the hit that we needed at the right time. We had a lot of hard hit balls that were outs but just didn't get it done when we needed to. I think every game has a defining moment kind of thing and for Tulane I think it was the bottom of the fourth with two out and the centerfielder stumbled and drove in two runs was a very big blow for us. Then we came out in the top of the fifth and left the bases loaded with one out and didn't score and the combination of those two things were probably the story of the ball game."

"I'm very pleased with how our guys played defensively and how Eric Jarrett, our freshman pitcher battled early and certainly how Jason Buursma came in and went the last four and two-thirds innings."

#### TULANE QUOTES

##### HEAD COACH RICK JONES

###### (opening statement)

"I'm real excited about the win because I thought we had to play very, very well. Bucknell played so well defensively and you know they're going to score unless you really make good pitches because they showed that last night and when they brought in their best guy and he is outstanding, that was a concern. He held us at bay and it was when that situation where, can we protect the lead? Anthony's (Scelfo) double was huge for us to stretch the lead and Preston (Claiborne) was just outstanding in getting out of the jam in the eighth when we turned the double play, we didn't panic and then really going to work in the ninth, two outs, two pitches, just a good win for us. This is our fourth regional final in the last five years so it's not uncharted territory for us to be where we are but it is for a lot of these players and so it was good to see us play the way we did today knowing what was riding on it. We still know that we have a very, very tough challenge ahead of us tomorrow night."

###### (on Tulane's pitching)

"Matt Petiton really set the tone early, got a lot of quick outs and that was big but started to tire a little bit and losing a little bit of his command and in this heat and humidity that's not something that would be unique to him or to anybody on our staff or anybody on our team. That's just the nature of where you are this time of year and in the sixth when he had the two free passes, Preston came in and just did such a good job."