

**America East Men's Basketball Championship**  
**First Round: #9 Hartford 65, #8 Maine 56**  
**Postgame Quotes**

**Hartford Head Coach Dan Leibovitz**

"Maine has a very good young basketball team that we are evenly matched with and it could've been anyone's game, we are very fortunate and happy to come out on this side of this game."

"I'm very proud, to win a game after all we've been through, these play in games are a lot about desire and a lot about character... We wanted to be around, we wanted to survive and that says something when you've lost 15 in a row."

"We had really good contributions from up and down the roster and I thought that everybody who played tonight did something to help us win which is great. I'm very proud of the group, looking forward to tomorrow night, and also happy that Jaret (von Rosenberg) got his 1,000<sup>th</sup> point, I knew he needed 15 and Jaret was at 12 so I thought he needed one more to get there, so just a good night for our program"

**Hartford senior guard Jaret von Rosenberg**

"[Binghamton's] playing real well right now, when we played them they weren't playing their best basketball, with that being said I think it's important for us to get rest, they're real athletic, they'll try to defend us all up and down the floor. The biggest thing is if we can stop their transition and keep them in the half court the majority of the game, we've got a good shot"

**Hartford senior guard Michael Turner**

"I don't think it was any different than it has been the whole year, our whole team goes out to play hard. Obviously it's in your mind that if you lose you go home so you don't want to lose but I don't think we did anything different or got anymore energy than we did through the year."

**Maine Head Coach Ted Woodward**

"We knew they were a very dangerous team, especially on the offensive end, I give them a lot of credit, I thought they stepped up and played very good basketball. I wish we had played a little bit cleaner in spots."

"It's been a pleasure working with this group, and watching them continue to group and I have a lot of guys that are still hungry to continue to learn about the game of basketball. We're very positive about the group that we have, we like the character of them, we like the ability, but there are certain things that we need to continue to work hard on as far as our maturity and our consistency which I know they will continue to do once we get ourselves back up to school."

"I think the biggest thing with us right now is our need to get consistent across the board. We recognize we have a very young group, we had some very uncharacteristic turnovers. We worked crazy all week on rebounding because that has been our problem in the past, and we have to get mature so that we can work on one thing without getting slippage in another area and that comes from maturity and consistency. It's unfortunate because we hadn't turned the ball over very much in the last two regular season games."

**Maine Freshman Sophomore Forward Sean McNally**

"They did a great job changing their game plan at half time, they came out and fronted us in the post which we're not really used to because not too many teams front anybody anymore... That caused a little bit of problems for us but I think mostly it was our turnovers. That was the highest turnover game we've had all season and I think that's what really killed us in this game. "