



**June 4, 2012**

**Stony Brook University**

**Postgame Press Conference**

**Head Coach Matt Senk**

*Opening statement:*

“I’m not sure where to begin. Tyler Johnson did an unbelievable job this evening. Tyler has done an unbelievable job for four years. It begins and ends with your players. These guys have played great tonight, played great this weekend, the season, the time they’ve been with us, and I’m speechless. I can’t thank these young men enough for coming to a great university like Stony Brook and being a part of our program and bringing us to this point right now. “

*On what this means:*

“To come to this Regional and win the championship game over a great program like Central Florida and a storied program like Miami and Missouri State with their pitching staff, it just goes to show that with tremendous hard work and dedication and, more than anything, a belief that it can be done, it in fact can happen. This is an amazing accomplishment for our university and I want to thank all the people at Stony Brook.”

*On Johnson’s showing:*

“Just absolutely tremendous performance. He really exceeded what my expectations were. I was thinking we were going to have to use three pitchers to kind of piece it together. It seemed like Tyler [Johnson] really got a second wind. He started throwing the ball best from the fourth inning on. We were monitoring him every inning.”

*On William Carmona:*

“Willie [Carmona] is one of the best hitters I’ve ever been around. He has power from both sides of the plate; it’s scary how hard he can hit a baseball. Willie has done everything we’ve asked. Until this year, he was actually our closer as well. He is a tremendous baseball player who comes from a great family. He’s a great student. There aren’t a lot of Willie Carmona’s that come along too often.”

## **RHP Tyler Johnson**

### *On the feeling:*

“This feels amazing. Last year with how it went and the kind of disappointment we went through and getting this far and knowing how talented of a team we are...it’s quite an accomplishment for us. It’s a great feeling but we still have some work to do.”

### On pitching on two days rest:

“I can’t remember in my college career if I’ve ever pitched on two days rest. We have a good trainer, did some pool work this morning. When you get to this point in the year, it’s adrenaline. At this point you’re doing it for the guys next to you more than you’re doing it for yourself. I’m very tired, but it’s a great feeling. We did a great job today as a team.

## **IF Willie Carmona**

### *On the team’s offense:*

“When you have an offense like ours, things start to roll. Sometimes it comes one an inning, two an inning, or a few down the line that we score five in one inning. From that point on we didn’t stop scoring, and that’s how you win games. We were just up at the plate and no matter what we didn’t give in, didn’t want to give up. No matter how many outs or how many strikes were on us. “