



# **Locker Room Quotes**

## **Thursday, March 24, 2011**

### **Regional Semifinal Game**

#### **Duke vs. Arizona**



#### **Arizona Sophomore Guard Kevin Parrom**

(On the difference between the first and second halves) "In the first half we tried to drive and they closed the gaps and Derrick was the only one scoring. It seemed like they kind of got tired in the second half. They laid off the defensive pressure a little bit, just backed off a little bit. They kind of disrespected us by saying we're going to back off and focus on Derrick and we came in started to make our open shots.

(On defeating Duke and advancing to the Elite 8) "Nobody really believed in us and that put a chip on our shoulder, like nobody in the world thought we could win this game. It's a great feeling."

(On Arizona's depth) "We have a very deep bench and the trust we have in them, they came in and gave us that extra boost. That shows what our season's been like, we have 10 or 11 guys that can come in and do a lot of things. Derrick had 25 points in the first half and in the second half they figured they would focus only on Derrick and that's what happened, we came in and did what we can do.

(On being from New York and taking on UConn Saturday) "It's going to be fun, I know Kemba personally, he's a great guy and a great point guard. It's going to be fun playing against him.

#### **Arizona Junior Forward Jesse Perry**

(On difference in the second half) "We wanted to come out and play hard and match their intensity. Duke's a great team. To beat that team with their tradition and the great players they have, we just wanted to come and compete and I think that's what we did."

(On what this means for the Pac Ten) "We're representing. We're representing for the Pac Ten, and everyone around the world that believes in us.

#### **Arizona Junior Guard Kyle Fogg**

(On matching up against Duke's Nolan Smith) Coach just said before the game for us to play our basketball and that I'd be matched up against Nolan Smith. I was really excited to play at his caliber. He's at the National Player of the Year contest level, he's a great all-around player. I took it upon myself to play at my best."