

**2010 NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA – ARCO ARENA
SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2010**

**STANFORD HEAD COACH TARA VANDERVEER POST GAME PRESS
CONFERENCE QUOTES**

On : Overview of the game

“Defensively, our team made it tough. We worked hard and we switched onto their shooters. They struggled from the field and we did a good job rebounding. We rebounded well, which was a focus. Offensively, once we got going ... we passed the ball well and finished. We're very excited to be playing in the Elite Eight.”

On : Being able to take away what Georgia was trying to do offensively

“In preparing to guard (Ashley) Houts, Roz (Roselyn Gold-Onwude) watched extra video. Roz has done such a phenomenal job against some of the best guards in the country. I feel like she can guard anybody. And our team was switching and bringing taller people on (Houts), taking away her vision a little bit.”

On: Stanford holding Georgia to such a low shooting percentage.

“In the beginning of the game, we weren't doing the things we needed to do. But, then it kind of got to be contagious as they struggled on their shots. It grew. We worked hard defensively, but they still got some open looks that didn't go down. What we did well was keep them off the offensive glass. I felt that was the real key. I told them if you win that battle, you win the war.”

On: (Jayne) Apple missing early in the game

“It's hard for someone who has not been able to practice to be sharp right from the start. Of course, they had a good 6-5, jump-out-of-the-gym, Ashley Robinson on her. We actually then moved Jayne to be a passer. She is a great passer who is not just limited to being on the low block. Of course, I'm always thinking that Jayne is going to make every shot she takes. When she misses, it surprises me.”

On: If winning big in the early rounds is a concern for later

“Well, I think it will be really tough on Monday night. Georgia was impressive coming into this game, but it was our night tonight. Kayla's (Pedersen) rebounding and JJ's (Hones) shooting were keys. Our guards were really playing well tonight. Jeanette (Pohlen) had some excellent moves. The guard play was very encouraging.”

On: Being able to rest your frontliners

“That’s definitely helpful this time of the year.”

On: Stanford being an exceptional passing team.

“I can think of another team that passes as well– they wear blue ... When you are around people that pass well, it grows – the unselfishness. Jayne (Appel) is the hub of the wheel, She makes everyone else look so good.”

On: Your players praise their preparedness

“I’m just an old dog and this is the way I approach the game. I watched every Georgia game of which we had a tape. We always say, let’s not let them do what they want to do.”

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PEDERSEN) AND (FORWARD, NEMKADI OGWUMIKE) POST GAME
PRESS CONFERENCE QUOTES**

On: The turning point in the first few minutes

Kayla Pedersen - “We persevered through those first five minute. Once the media timeout was called, everybody took a deep breath and said OK we’re here to play Stanford basketball and we just kept rolling with that. They weren’t used to it so that helped us.”

On: Guards being able to penetrate early and get on a roll

Jayne Appel - “Our guards played very well this game, especially getting us the ball down low. It helped when they would attract their defense then got us the ball for point blank shots.”

On: The ease of which Stanford has won their first three games

Nnemkadi Ogwumike - “I think we’re definitely getting the competition we need. Anyone who makes it to the tournament is good. We prepare very well for our games. It does get harder as you go. But if we continue to prepare the way we like to prepare, I think we’ll be just fine. We’ll take it one game at a time as we always do.”

On: Stanford's passing

Jayne Appel - "It is something that our team has adapted as our style of play, especially the high-low passes that we had a lot of during the game. Our post players can pass. When the ball goes inside, it's not just a black hole."

On: The team's versatility and ability to adapt

Kayla Pedersen - "Why we didn't hesitate against the press is because we're prepared for it. We practiced against the press, zone and traps."

On: Going back to basics after the start to the game

Jayne Appel - "Our team has a mindset on defense and rebounding. Our defense can create our offense. We knew we needed to control the boards."

On: Reaching the Elite 8

Ogwumiike - "We won, we move on."

Appel - "I'm excited, and it's neat our freshmen got to play."

Pedersen - "Our whole team is still hungry."