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## **VCU and Saint Louis to host CBI Semifinals**

### **Boston University and Princeton also advance;**

### **Games set for March 24 and will be televised live on HDNet**

**PRINCETON, N.J.** – After three overtime games - two of which went into double overtime - Wednesday's semifinals are set for the 2010 College Basketball Invitational.

In Richmond, Joey Rodriguez scored 19 points on 8-11 shooting from the field and handed out nine assists as Virginia Commonwealth earned a 93-86 decision over Charleston. The Rams (24-9) also received 20 points from Brandon Rozzell, 18 points from Jamie Skeen, and 14 points and a CBI-record-tying 17 rebounds from Larry Sanders. Charleston (22-12) was led by Tony White Jr. and his 24-point, six-rebound, five-assist effort. White was 9-12 from the field. Andrew Goudelock posted 19 points and seven rebounds, Jeremy Simmons had 16 points and nine rebounds, and Matt Sundberg tallied 13 points.

VCU will host Boston University in the first CBI semifinal, slated for a 7:00pm (ET) tip on HDNet. Playing at home, BU downed Morehead State, 91-89 in overtime. John Holland scored a team-high 23 points, going 11-11 from the foul line, and hauled down eight rebounds for the Terriers (21-13). Carlos Strong tallied 22 points, Jake O'Brien had 20 points and 10 rebounds, and Tyler Morris posted 16 points, seven assists, and a CBI record eight steals. Morehead State (24-11) was led by Maze Stallworth, who had 27 points and nine rebounds. Terrace Hill scored 21 points coming off the bench, while Kenneth Faried had 19 points and 11 rebounds.

In Saint Louis, the Billikens needed double overtime before pulling away with a 68-62 win over Green Bay. Saint Louis (22-11) was paced by Willie Reed, who posted game highs of 21 points on 8-11 shooting, and 10 rebounds. Cody Ellis and Kwamain Mitchell each tallied 14 points. Green Bay (22-13) received 17 points from Troy Cotton 16 from Rahman Fletcher, and 14 from Rian Pearson.

Saint Louis will host Princeton in the second CBI semifinal, which will begin at 9:00pm (ET) and will be aired on HDNet. Princeton and IUPUI also went two overtimes before the Tigers emerged with a 74-68 win in Indianapolis. Princeton (22-8) was led by Dan Mavraides and his 18 points. Ian Hummer (16 points) Pawel Buczak (12 points), and Marcus Schroeder (10 points) also reached double figures. Robert Glenn posted 18 points and 16 rebounds to lead IUPUI (25-11). The Jaguars also received 17 points from Alex Young and 13 points and seven rebounds from Leroy Nobles.

In the history of the CBI, prior to Monday night only two games had ever gone to overtime. First was a 2009 quarterfinal round game that saw Oregon State beat Vermont, 71-70, on March 23, 2009. Oregon State then needed an extra session to beat Stanford, 65-62, two days later in the Semifinal Round.

#### **---- SEMIFINAL ROUNDS ----**

March 24 - 7:00pm (ET)  
Verizon Wireless Arena - Richmond, Va.  
Boston University at Virginia Commonwealth  
TV - HDNet

March 24 - 9:00pm (ET)  
Chaifetz Arena - St. Louis, Mo.  
Princeton at Saint Louis  
TV - HDNet