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~ UML RADIO VOICE VOICE BOB ELLIS WINS 2009 CONCANNON MEDIA AWARD ~

BOSTON - Hockey East Commissioner Joe Bertagna announced on Wednesday at the league's annual media day that UMass-Lowell's Bob Ellis has been named the 18th recipient of the Joe Concannon Hockey East Media Award.

Ellis returns to the airwaves for his 26th season of UMass Lowell hockey in 2009-2010. Ellis calls the action on WUML 91.5 FM, the University's radio station which can be heard within a 25 to 30-mile radius of Lowell. He currently hosts a morning news magazine/interview program, "Sunrise," on the University's station.

A well-known radio personality throughout Massachusetts, Ellis has served for nine years as the play-by-play announcer for the Lowell Spinners, the Class A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox of the New York-Penn League.

Over the course of his career, Ellis has been the recipients of several awards from the United Press International. He is also the co-founder and co-instructor of the Baseball Official Scoring Seminars, providing official scoring clinics several times a year.

A 1975 graduate of Emerson College, Ellis earned his bachelors degrees in mass communication and history and began his broadcasting career at WATS/WAVR-FM in Sayre, Pa. in 1975. He came to WLLH Radio in Lowell as a news reporter in 1984 and became a fixture at UML games. He has also previously worked at WKBK in Keene, N.H. Ellis' broadcasting career includes interviews with Presidents, Presidential candidates and reporting from overseas. Ellis resides in Lowell, Mass.

The Hockey East Association is a 10-team Division I college men's hockey conference and an eight-team Division I women's league which began play in 2002-03. Founded in 1983, the men's league has won six NCAA championships in the past 17 years.

HOCKEY EAST MEDIA AWARD HISTORY

Year	Recipient, Affiliation
1992	Larry Mahoney, Bangor Daily News
1993	Bob Whitelaw, New England Sports Network
1994	Bob Monahan, Boston Globe
1995	John Connolly, Boston Herald
1996	Charles Scoggins, Lowell Sun
1997	Bob Norton, New England Sports Network
1998	Joe Concannon, Boston Globe
1999	Dick Osborne, UNH Sports Network
2000	Bill Doherty, Huskies Radio
2001	Dave Hendrickson, U.S. College Hockey Online
2002	Roger Brown, Portsmouth Herald
2003	Bernie Corbett, Giant Sports Associates
2004	Rob Rudnick, Huskies Radio
2005	Eric Frede, NESN / CodRock Media
2006	Dan Hannigan, WZON / CodRock Media
2007	Allen Lessels, New Hampshire Union Leader
2008	Mike Logan, Providence College Radio
2009	Bob Ellis, UMass-Lowell Radio

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