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BC'S KELLI STACK NAMED TPS HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE YEAR

~PC's Genevieve Lacasse named Top Rookie: UNH's McCloskey earns Top Coaching Honor~

DURHAM, N.H. - The Women's Hockey East Association announced that junior forward Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) from Boston College was named the recipient of the Cammi Granato Award/TPS Hockey Player of the Year for the second time in her career at the seventh annual league award banquet on Friday night at Huddleston Hall on the campus of the University of New Hampshire.

In addition to Stack, Providence College freshman goaltender Genevieve Lacasse (Scarborough, Ont.) was named Mission Rookie of the Year, while UNH's Brian McCloskey was tabbed the CCM Coach of the Year for the fourth time in league history.

Stack, who was named the Player of the Year in 2007, as a freshman, notched 36 points (15g,21a) in league play to lead the conference and her 54 points overall leads the Eagles' squad. Her 1.69 points per game ranks 10th in the nation among Division I players. She was also named TPS Hockey Player of the Month in October and November. Stack recorded at least one point in 28 of 33 contests and she scored multiple points in 16 games for BC.

Lacasse started 27 of 35 games for the Friars in her first season on campus and recorded a 15-10-1 record with a 1.90 GAA, a .935 save percentage and six shutouts.

McCloskey helped the No. 5 ranked Wildcats to their sixth regular-season title with a 22-5-5 record with only a roster of 16 healthy players. He led the team to its seventh straight 20-win season and is looking for the teams fourth straight WHEA Tournament title.

Stack, in addition to her second Player of the Year honor, was also honored as the Scoring Champion and the Hockey East "Three Stars" Award Winner. Her teammate Colleen Harris (Kenmore, N.Y.) took home the WHEA Sportsmanship Award given annually to the league player who has consistently played at a high level, while maintaining high standard of conduct both on and off the ice. Harris did not commit a penalty in 21 conference games this season for the Eagles.

Lacasse was also crowned the ITECH Goaltending Champion for her 1.55 GAA and .930 save percentage in 21 league games.

TPS Hockey Player of the Year Kelli Stack, Boston College (Jr., F. Brooklyn Heights, Ohio)

Runner-up: Kacey Bellamy, New Hampshire (Sr., D. Westfield, Mass.)



Mission Rookie of the Year Genevieve Lacasse. Providence College (Fr., F, Scarborough, Ont.)

Runner-up: Mary Restuccia, Boston College (Fr., F, Chester Springs, Pa.)



CCM Coach of the Year Brian McCloskey, New Hampshire

Runner-up: Dave Flint, Northeastern



Hockey East Scoring Champion Kelli Stack, Boston College (36 points) (Jr., F, Brooklyn Heights, Ohio)

Runner-up: Jenn Wakefield, New Hampshire (30 points) (So., F, Pickering, Ont.)

ITECH Goaltending Champion Genevieve Lacasse, Providence College (1.55 GAA, .940 save%) (Fr., G, Scarborough, Ont.)

Runner-up: Molly Schaus, Boston College (1.64 GAA, .934 save%) (Jr., G, Natick, Mass.)



Hockey East "Three Stars" Award Kelli Stack, Boston College (Jr., F, Brooklyn Heights, Ohio)

Runner-up: Molly Schaus, Boston College (Jr., G, Natick, Mass.)

> Sportsmanship Award Colleen Harris, Boston College (Sr., F, Kenmore, N.Y.)

Runner-up: Missy Elumba, Northeastern (Sr., F, Cottage Grove, Minn.)