



AMERICAN HOCKEY COACHES ASSOCIATION

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FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR SPENCER PENROSE AWARD PRESENTED TO AHCA MEN'S ICE HOCKEY DIVISION ONE COACH OF THE YEAR

Nine coaches who have enjoyed on-ice success in 2008-09 have been named finalists for the Spencer Penrose Award, given annually to the top NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey Coach of the Year. To be a finalist for this award, you must either be voted Coach of the Year in your conference or take your team to the NCAA Frozen Four.

Noteworthy among this year's finalists:

- The list includes two former Penrose Award winners: Enrico Blasi of Miami, who won in 2006, and Jack Parker of Boston University, the 1978 winner. With two wins this past weekend, Parker now has 813 wins, third on the all-time coaching list behind Ron Mason (924) and Jerry York (814).
- Repeat finalists include Dave Hakstol of North Dakota, Tom Serratore of Bemidji State, and Kevin Sneddon of Vermont.
- Serratore is the only finalist who is both a conference Coach of the Year award winner and coach of a Frozen Four semifinalist.

The award is named in honor of the former Colorado Springs benefactor who built the Broadmoor Hotel Complex, site of the first 10 NCAA Hockey Championships. It will be presented at the American Hockey Coaches Association (AHCA) Coach of the Year Banquet on Saturday, April 25, in Naples, Fla.

2008-2009 AHCA Men's Ice Hockey Division One Coach of the Year Finalists

Keith Allain, Yale*
Enrico Blasi, Miami#@
Greg Cronin, Northeastern*
Dallas Ferguson, Alaska*
Dave Hakstol, North Dakota*
Jack Parker, Boston University#@
Tom Serratore, Bemidji State*#
Kevin Sneddon, Vermont#
Ryan Soderquist, Bentley*

* Conference Coach of the Year

NCAA "Frozen Four" Participant

@ Previous Winner of the Spencer Penrose Award

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PICK-UP: Past Winners List

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Past Winners of the Spencer Penrose Award Division One Coach of the Year

1951	Edward Jeremiah, Dartmouth	1980	Rick Comley, Northern Michigan
1952	Cheddy Thompson, Colorado College	1981	Bill O'Flaherty, Clarkson
1953	John Mariucci, Minnesota	1982	Fernie Flaman, Northeastern
1954	Vic Heyliger, Michigan	1983	Bill Cleary, Harvard
1955	Ralph "Cooney" Weiland, Harvard	1984	Mike Sertich, Minnesota-Duluth
1956	William Harrison, Clarkson	1985	Len Ceglarski, Boston College
1957	Jack Riley, Army	1986	Ralph Backstrom, Denver
1958	Harry Cleverly, Boston University	1987	John "Gino" Gasparini, North Dakota
1959	John "Snooks" Kelley, Boston College	1988	Frank Anzalone, Lake Superior
1960	Jack Riley, Army	1989	Joe Marsh, St. Lawrence
1961	Murray Armstrong, Denver	1990	Terry Slater, Colgate
1962	Jack Kelley, Colby	1991	Rick Comley, Northern Michigan
1963	Tony Frasca, Colorado College	1992	Ron Mason, Michigan State
1964	Tom Eccleston, Providence	1993	George Gwozdecky, Miami
1965	Jim Fullerton, Brown	1994	Don Lucia, Colorado College
1966	Amo Bessone, Michigan State	1995	Shawn Walsh, Maine
1967	Edward Jeremiah, Dartmouth	1996	Bruce Crowder, MA-Lowell
1968	Ned Harkness, Cornell	1997	Dean Blais, North Dakota
1969	Charlie Holt, New Hampshire	1998	Tim Taylor, Yale
1970	John MacInnes, Michigan Tech	1999	Richard Umile, New Hampshire
1971	Ralph "Cooney" Weiland, Harvard	2000	Joe Marsh, St. Lawrence
1972	John "Snooks" Kelley, Boston College	2001	Dean Blais, North Dakota
1973	Len Ceglarski, Boston College	2002	Tim Whitehead, Maine
1974	Charlie Holt, New Hampshire	2003	Bob Daniels, Ferris State
1975	Jack Parker, Boston University	2004	Scott Sandelin, Minnesota-Duluth
1976	John MacInnes, Michigan Tech	2005	George Gwozdecky, Denver
1977	Jerry York, Clarkson	2006	Enrico Blasi, Miami
1978	Jack Parker, Boston University	2007	Jeff Jackson, Notre Dame
1979	Charlie Holt, New Hampshire	2008	Red Berenson, Michigan



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