



AMERICAN HOCKEY COACHES ASSOCIATION

Executive Director: Joe Bertagna — 7 Concord Street — Gloucester, MA 01930 — (781) 245-4177

For immediate release:

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR LAURA HURD AWARD AHCA WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY COLLEGE DIVISION PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Five players who have distinguished themselves on the ice in 2009-10 have been named finalists for the 2010 Laura Hurd Award, given annually to the best NCAA Division III women's ice hockey player in the country. The list of finalists includes three players who led their teams into the NCAA Women's Division III Tournament. They are Isabel Iwachiw, a senior goalie from Trinity; Jamie Kivi, a senior defenseman from Elmira; and Stephanie Moberg, a senior forward from Plattsburgh. The other finalists are sophomore forward Kim Herring of Lake Forest and junior forward Michaela Michaelson of St. Catherine. The only finalist still playing is Elmira's Kivi, who will play in the NCAA semi-finals on Friday.

Sponsored by the American Hockey Coaches Association, the Hurd Award honors the memory of former Elmira College standout Laura Hurd. A 2005 graduate of Elmira, and a four-time All-American, Hurd died in an automobile accident shortly after graduation. She was the recipient of the AHCA Player of the Year Award in 2005.

The recipient of this year's Hurd Award will be announced this Thursday at the Frozen Four at Gustavus Adolphus.

Finalists for the 2009-10 Hurd Award

AHCA Women's Ice Hockey

College Division Player of the Year

Kim Herring, Sophomore Forward, Lake Forest
(Dover, NH)

Isabel Iwachiw, Senior Goalie, Trinity
(New York, NY)

Jamie Kivi, Senior Defense, Elmira
(Green Bay, WI)

Michaela Michaelson, Junior Forward, St. Catherine
(Inver Grove Heights, MN)

Stephanie Moberg, Senior Forward, Plattsburgh
(Saratoga Springs, NY)

Past Winners of the Laura Hurd Award

2000	Sylvia Ryan, Middlebury College
2001	Michelle Labbe, Middlebury College
2002	Sarah Moe, Gustavus Adolphus
2003	Angela Kapus, Middlebury College
2004	Molly Wasserman, Williams College
2005	Laura Hurd, Elmira College
2006	Emily Quizon, Middlebury College
2007	Andrea Peterson, Gustavus Adolphus
2008	Danielle Blanchard, Plattsburgh State
2009	Kayla Coady, Elmira College

CONTACT: Joe Bertagna (781-245-4177)

###