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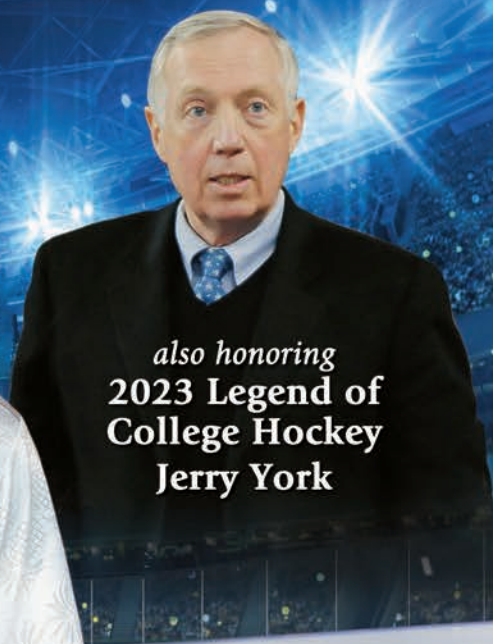


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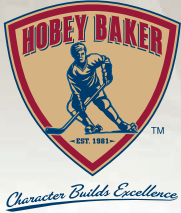
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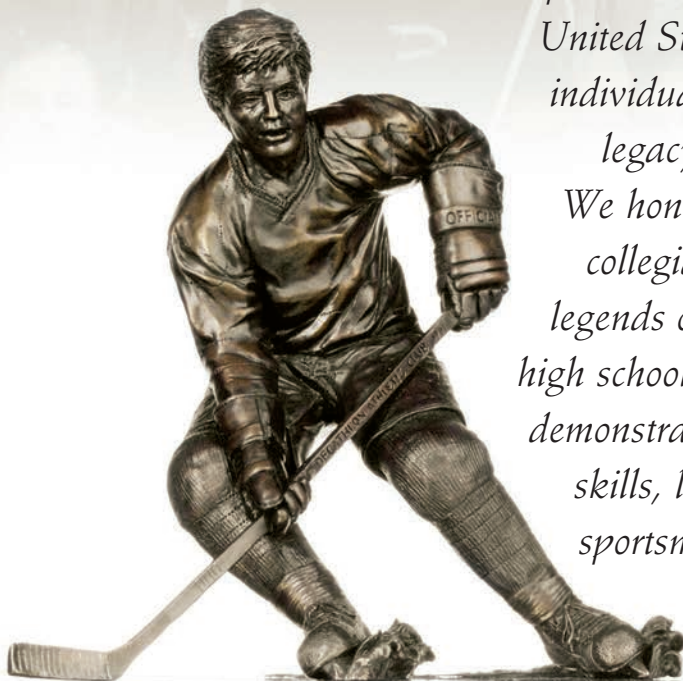
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To promote amateur hockey in the United States by recognizing individuals who embody the legacy of Hobey Baker. We honor outstanding men's collegiate hockey players, legends of college hockey, and high school hockey players who demonstrate exceptional hockey skills, leadership, character, sportsmanship and scholastic achievement.

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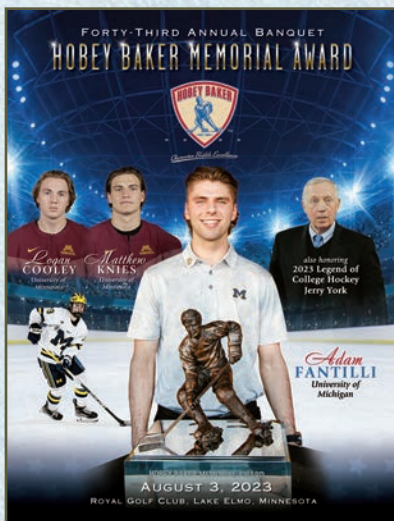
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Foundation Message



Wally Olson

On behalf of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation, welcome to the 43rd annual Awards Banquet. We are here today to celebrate our 2023 winner, Adam Fantilli (University of Michigan) for an outstanding year of college hockey along with this year's legend of College Hockey, Jerry York (Boston College, Clarkson and Bowling Green) for his tremendous contributions to college hockey. Character Builds Excellence is truly shown with both award recipients. We want to thank you for attending this event that celebrates the excellence in college hockey.

This year's announcement was held in Tampa as part of the Frozen Four Weekend. This was a first in having our announcement outdoors at Sparkman's Wharf in Tampa on Friday, April 7, 2023. Our broadcast was aired live on the NHL Network, as well as on the hobeybaker.com website. We want to congratulate our Hat Trick Finalists, Logan Cooley and Matthew Knies, both from the University of Minnesota for having excellent collegiate careers.

Congratulations to Jack Eichel (2015 Hobey winner) in winning the Stanley Cup with the Las Vegas Golden Knights along with George McPhee (1981 Hobey winner – President of Hockey Operations with the Golden Knights).

A special thank you to our major sponsors: BioSteel, BNY Mellon, Columbia Threadneedle, Lord Abbett, and National Hockey League, along with our past award recipients, Hobey Baker Foundation and Committee members and our other supporters for their continued financial support. A special thanks to the Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Wild Foundation for their continued support, under the leadership of Matt Majka. Thank you to Bethany Boelter of Jostens and Andy Erzar of PriceWaterhouseCoopers for their continued support of our award.

The High School Character Award has had another great year as we continue to expand its outreach. Thank you to our state sponsors and the Minnesota Wild for their financial support in driving the ideal that "Character Builds Excellence" to the high school level.

I also want to thank our Chairman, Joey Reilly and Vice Chairman, Corey Grothman for their contributions this season. The direction and passion of these individuals, along with the voluntary committee members, have made this year's award, golf tournament and banquet tremendously successful.

Thank you again for joining us with today's events celebrating the finest of College Hockey.

Wally Olson, President

Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation

Message from the Committee Chairman



Joey Reilly

Memorial Award.

Welcome, as we recognize the 43rd recipient of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award – Adam Fantilli of the University of Michigan. Fantilli is a force to be reckoned with on the ice. He plays with heart, determination, focus and conviction, and is truly a play maker on both ends of the ice. He was honored earlier this year as the third overall draft pick by the Columbus Blue Jackets, joining forces with another notable Hobey Baker Award Winner, Johnny Gaudreau.

Additionally, I wanted to commend Jerry York, from Boston College on being named as the 2023 Legend of College Hockey. He is the winningest coach in NCAA hockey, and leads the all-time list as the only Division I head coach with over 1,000 wins. His lasting contributions to hockey as a whole will live on through the players, coaches, and fans for generations to come.

I want to take a moment and thank the Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Wild Foundation for their on-going support. Thank you may never be enough to express how great they have been for the State of Hockey and more specifically to the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation and Committee.

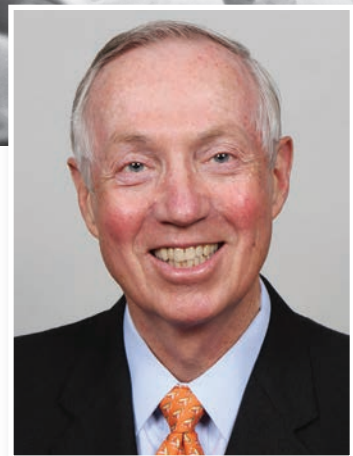
My thanks to the leadership of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award as the success of this Award is driven by teamwork. The Committee and Foundation as a whole have provided me with the support, guidance and countless hours of work to help make our first outdoor announcement a reality. I couldn't have done this without all of you!

Thank you to the Tampa Bay Sports Commission, 2twelve Consulting, Strategic Property Partners, LLC, Tampa Bay Lightning, Vinik Sports Group, Splitsville, and JOTORO for making this a very special and unique experience, that I am sure no one will forget soon.

In conclusion, thank you family, friends, and partners for joining us for this special evening to honor Adam Fantilli and Jerry York. These distinguished gentlemen are both exemplary embodiments of the Hobey Baker Legacy and are legends in their own right! On behalf of The Hobey Baker Memorial Award Committee and Foundation, I want to thank you all for coming tonight and hope you enjoy your evening and the celebration.

Joey Reilly, 2023 Chairman

Hobey Baker Memorial Award Committee



Legend of College Hockey

Jerry York

Former Head Coach at Boston College

The Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation announced on February 23 its 2023 Legend of College Hockey recipient as Jerry York from Boston College.

York began his coaching career at Clarkson where he spent seven years and led the Golden Knights to a ECAC championship in 1977. While at Clarkson, he had a 125-87-3 record. In 1979, York took over the Bowling Green program where he would be at the helm for 15 years (1979-1994) and finish with a 342-248-31 record. He led the Falcons to four regular season CCHA championships (1982, 1983, 1984, 1987), a postseason CCHA championship in 1988, and a national championship in 1984. York later returned to Boston College, his alma mater, and coached from 1994-2022, leading the Eagles to four national championships (2001, 2008, 2010, 2012) along with runner-up finishes in 1998, 2000, 2006, and 2007. In Hockey East, York's Eagles captured nine Beanpot titles, made 18 NCAA tournament appearances, 12 Frozen Four appearances, 12 Hockey East regular-season titles, nine

postseason crowns, and four national titles. In his 50 year coaching career, the Watertown, MA. native went 1,123-682-128 (.614) making him the winningest coach in college hockey and only collegiate coach to have more than 1,000 wins.

York was named the Hockey East Coach of the Year five times (2004, 2011, 2014, 2018, 2021) and received the American Hockey Coaches Association's Spencer Penrose Award in 1977. In 2004 and 2014, he was named the New England Coach of the Year, and in 2010 was awarded the Lester Patrick Award. On Nov. 18, 2019 York was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto, making him only the fifth coach in NCAA history to be inducted and the first to exclusively coach at the collegiate level. On Dec. 9 2021, he was officially inducted into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame.

As a player, York was a three-year letterman with the Eagles from 1964-67 and had 134 points (64 goals, 70 assists) in 81 games played. His points total also ranks him

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College Hockey Legend Jerry York

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among the school's all-time leaders in career points, goals and assists, and single-season points and assists. In 1967, York was named to the All-America First Team, All-New England, and won the Walter Brown Award given to the best American collegiate player in New England. The Eagles went 60-26 while York was on the squad, won the Beanpot

in 1965, and finished second at the 1965 NCAA Tournament. His Boston College jersey was retired April 12, 2010.

York has coached four Hobey Baker Award winners – George McPhee (1982), Brian Holzinger (1995), Mike Mottau (2000), and Johnny Gaudreau (2014). In addition to the award winners, York coached 39 top ten finalists and 13 Hat Trick finalists.

CONGRATULATIONS
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from your friends

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LEGEND OF COLLEGE HOCKEY

1972-1979 Clarkson • 1979-1994 Bowling Green • 1994-2022 Boston College



2023 LEGEND OF COLLEGE HOCKEY



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2023 Hobey Baker Award Announcement

From freshman standouts making immediate impacts for their teams to veteran players leaving a mark on their college hockey careers, the 2022-23 season was one to remember. The season was topped off with sellout crowds at the national championship Frozen Four tournament held at Amalie Arena, home of the Tampa Bay Lightning. Quinnipiac went on to win their first national title after defeating Minnesota 3-2 in overtime.

The Hobey Baker Award committee brought the ceremony outside in Tampa for a beautiful Friday night at Sparkman Wharf. Once again, a live broadcast was carried on NHL Network and streamed live on Hobeybaker.com and hosted by Jamison Coyle. The awards ceremonies commenced at 4:45 with the presentation of the Derek Hines Award given annually to college hockey's unsung hero. This year's recipient was Noah Wilson from Army West Point. The program continued with the announcement of the Mike Richter Award given annually to college hockey's top goalie: Northeastern University's Devon Levi. Next up was the Hockey Humanitarian Award, presented annually to a college hockey player who gave back to the community with selfless volunteer efforts. This year's winner was Gabby Hughes from the University of Minnesota Duluth for her work with "Sophie's Squad", an organiza-



The Hobey Baker Hat Trick Finalists await the announcement of the 2023 Hobey Baker Award winner live on the NHL Network.

tion that seeks to raise awareness for mental health. The American Hockey Coaches Association presented their annual East and West All-American teams along with the national rookie of the year winner, Adam Fantilli, of the University of Michigan. Next up was the Hobey Baker Award carried live on TV and webcast. Coyle announced a short video on this year's Legend of College Hockey Jerry York, who coached at Bowling Green, Clarkson, and Boston College during his storied career. The three Hobey hat trick finalists were then introduced: Logan Cooley from the University of Minnesota, Adam Fantilli from the University of Michigan and Matthew Knies from the University of Minnesota. 2023 Hobey Baker committee chairman, Joey Reilly opened the envelope and introduced Adam Fantilli as the 43rd annual recipient of the Hobey. Upon completing his freshman season, Fantilli was selected third overall at the 2023 NHL Draft by the Columbus Blue Jackets, and signed a three-year entry-level contract with the organization.



The announcement of the Hobey Baker Award winner took place at Sparkman's Wharf in Tampa on April 7 during the 2023 NCAA Frozen Four. It was the first time an outdoor venue was used for the announcement.



Mike Richter Award
Devon Levi
Northeastern University



Hockey Humanitarian Award
Gabby Hughes
University of Minnesota Duluth



ADAM FANTILLI

On Friday, April 7, Adam Fantilli accepted the Award from Hobey Baker Chairman Joey Reilly. The announcement took place outdoors before a large crowd at Sparkman's Wharf in Tampa during the 2023 NCAA Frozen Four. The NHL Network provided live TV coverage to a national audience.







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2023 Hobey Baker Memorial Award Recipient



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Adam Fantilli

The Hobey Baker Memorial Award has only been awarded to three freshmen ever. With Adam Fantilli impressing from the opening puck drop of the season through the Frozen Four in April, it was never in doubt going to be awarded to the talented rookie out of the University of Michigan.

Going into the 2022-23 season the Michigan Wolverines had been depleted of 10 players who signed professional contracts following a Frozen Four appearance in 2021-22. If it was supposed to be a “rebuilding year”, no one told Fantilli. The Nobleton, Ontario native began his freshman year on an eight-game point streak and started Michigan off to a record of 7-1. It led to him capturing Hockey Commissioners Association Player and Rookie of the Month in his first month of the season.

Midway through the season after Fantilli returned from the World Juniors with a gold medal as a member of Team Canada, Fantilli went on a 12-game point streak and helped push U-M into second place in the Big Ten standings.

Leading Michigan to the 2023 Big Ten Tournament title, as the No. 2 seed – winning on its rivals’ home ice – was Fantilli. He set Big Ten records for most goals (seven) and most points (11) in a single tournament, which earned him the title of B1G Tournament Most Outstanding Player. The Big Ten Freshman of the Year kept his point streak alive through the NCAA Tournament, culminating in his 30th goal of the season in the national semifinal against Quinnipiac.

The next day in Tampa, Fantilli was named Michigan’s third recipient of the Hobey Baker Award. The nation’s leading scorer, Fantilli finished the season with 65 points in 36 games, scoring 30 goals and 35 assists - averaging 1.81 points per game, 0.83 goals per game and 0.98 assists per game. It’s the third-highest scoring clip behind only Hobey Baker winner Johnny Gaudreau (2.00 ppg) and 2016 runner-up Kyle Connor (1.87 ppg). Moreover, his stellar performance translated to an excellent +31 rating, epitomizing his offensive and defensive effectiveness. The Tim Taylor National Rookie of the Year and first-team All-American showcased his versatility by posting a superior face-off win percentage of 52.2%, further highlighting his ability to dominate in all aspects of the game.

In May, Fantilli accepted Canada’s offer to attend the World Championships just a month before the draft. Proving again, Fantilli loves hockey and just wants to play the game. He became just the second Canadian to win gold at the World Juniors and Worlds in the same season, joining Jonathan Toews, and is only the 11th player to do so in the world.

Fantilli has always been on a fast track. He made the unique decision to join his older brother Luca at Kimball



Union, an American prep school, rather than make his way through the Canadian junior hockey ranks. The brothers loved playing together and went on to play for two more years together with the Chicago Steel. After Luca committed to Michigan, it didn’t take much convincing as Adam put pen to paper to sign with the Wolverines.

The brothers were roommates together in Ann Arbor in 2022-23 and have immense respect and love for each other on and off the ice.

“Luca is my best friend and brother, and someone I am lucky to be able to call my teammate. Not many guys get to play with their brother, but I have been fortunate enough to do so the past four years. None of this would be possible without him.”

Fantilli and the Wolverines had to overcome big obstacles during the season. With a life-threatening injury to a teammate and heartbreaking loss of a team staff member, the brothers and the team battled through many emotions, together.

“You guys are my brothers,” Fantilli said during his acceptance speech. “I’ve never been on a team that has made everyone feel like family as much as you have. This has been an incredible ride. We truly battled it all. We went through hell and back, and I couldn’t have asked for a better group of guys to do it with.”

Fantilli clearly proved himself on the ice through the record-breaking statistics and points, but even more importantly he is a proven leader and role model to his team. He understands the importance of his team and recognizes the direct impact they have made on his personal journey. He made that evident with his suit selection at the 2023 NHL Draft Awards in Nashville in June. The back of his vest was embroidered with over 140 names of the people that helped get him to where he’s at.

“On the back of my vest, I have a list of everybody that has helped me get to where I’m at,” he said about the personal shoutout. “Being able to give my jacket away and walk down the whole way with my vest showing, I just wanted them to know that they were walking up there with me.”

Drafted No. 3 overall by the Columbus Blue Jackets, Fantilli signed with the organization on July 1. He leaves an indelible mark on not just the Michigan Hockey program but college hockey in general. He has shown Canadian hockey players another path to the NHL. And has done it in a style Hobey Baker would have been proud of.

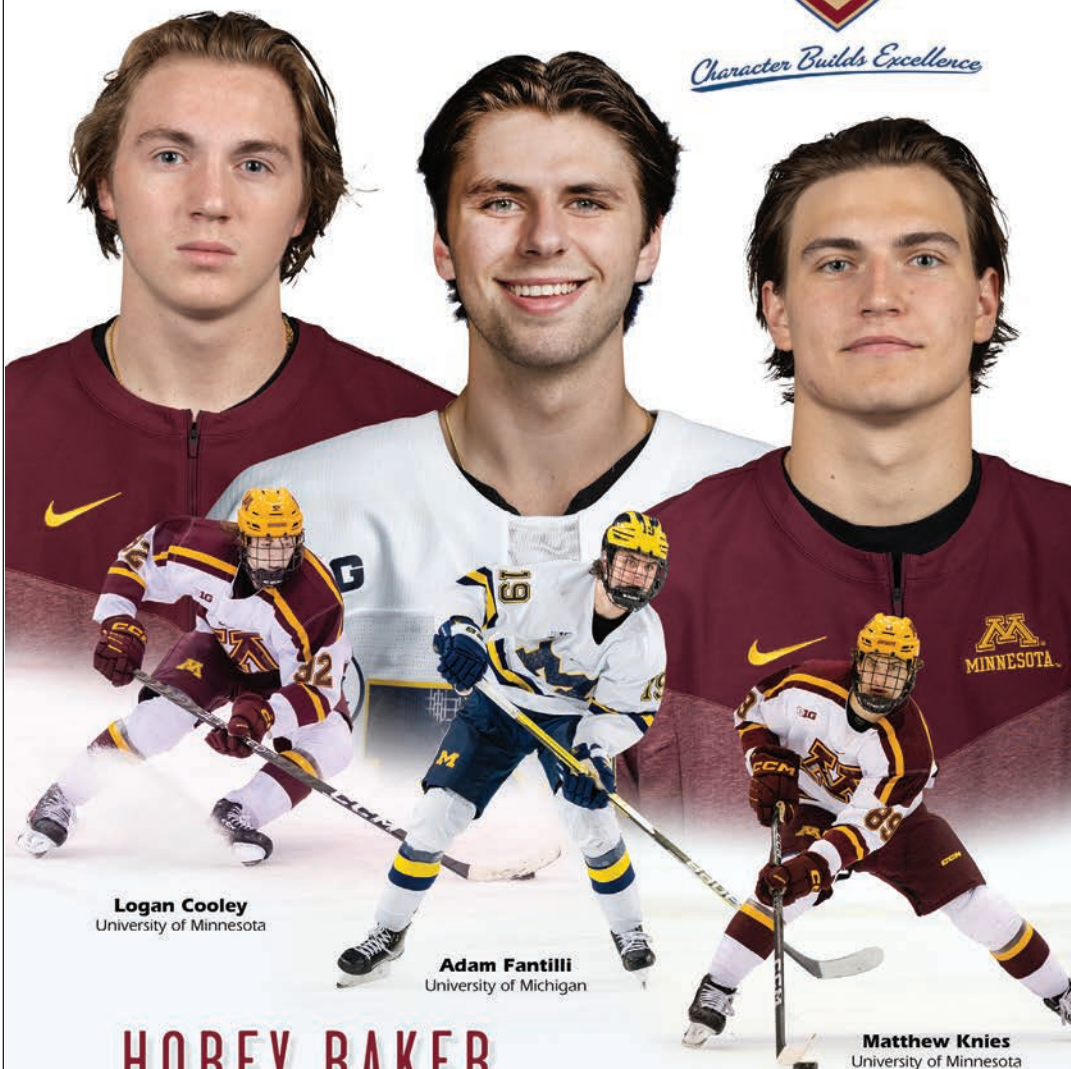
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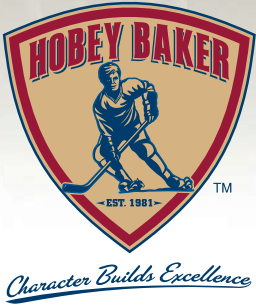
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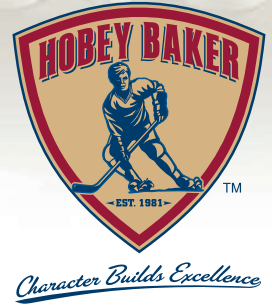
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HOBAY BAKER MEMORIAL AWARD HAT TRICK FINALISTS

Each of the three Hobey Baker Hat Trick finalists was presented with this exclusive edition framed print. A printed collector's edition of this print is also available for purchase at the Hobey Baker online store, www.hobeybaker.com/shop.



2023 HOBEY HAT TRICK FINALISTS



LOGAN COOLEY

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Freshman – Forward

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Logan Cooley entered the University of Minnesota for his freshman season with a compete level that is unmatched. Add to that an excellent skating ability that matches his compete level, and it has made Cooley one of the most exciting players to watch in college hockey this season. He helped lead the University of Minnesota to the Frozen Four as the Gophers look to bring home another championship for the first time since 2003. Cooley ranks second nationally in scoring with 57 points and leads the nation in assists at 37. He also leads all NCAA play-



ers with a +37 rating. He is 5th in Minnesota history in scoring by a freshman, and has the most points by a first-year player since Darby Hendrickson in 1991-92. During the regular season, Cooley led all Big Ten players by earning five Star of the Week honors. He was named to the Big Ten conference's All Freshman Team and First Team All Conference. The freshman forward was drafted by the Arizona Coyotes third overall at the 2022 NHL Draft.



MATTHEW KNIES

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Sophomore – Forward

Phoenix, Arizona

Knies has the size, strength, power, and speed that he uses consistently to make him a key player on the ice. A player who thrives on special teams, the sophomore has produced six power play goals and the team's only two shorthanded goals. As his Minnesota Gophers enter the Frozen Four, Knies currently ranks seventh in the nation with 21 goals. He has come up clutch in big moments with seven game winning goals which is the most in the nation, and were all scored against teams that ranked top 15 in the nation. Three of his seven game win-



ning goals have come in overtime, making him one of only five players in program history to do so, and the only player in program history to do it in one season. Knies was honored at the end of the regular season as he was named the Big Ten Player of the Year and First Team All Conference. The Phoenix native is a prospect of the Toronto Maple Leafs and was selected in the second round, 57th overall at the 2021 NHL Draft.



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ADDITIONAL TOP TEN FINALISTS



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SEAN FARRELL

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Junior – Forward – Hopkinton, Massachusetts

Known for his speed and for his 200-foot game, Farrell was a force to be reckoned with this season. He finished the season with 53 points in 34 games. The numbers he put up in his junior year rank him fourth in the nation in scoring. The Hopkinton native was named the ECAC Player of the Month twice this season. Farrell was awarded the ECAC Player of the Year and named to the First Team All-Conference. • 2nd in the nation with an average of 1.56 points per game • A 2020 fourth round draft pick, 124th overall by the Montreal Canadiens – signed with the Canadiens on March 26, 2023 • Led Team USA in scoring (six points) at the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics



COLLIN GRAF

QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY

Sophomore – Forward – Lincoln, Massachusetts

After transferring from Union College, Graf has been a vital piece of the Bobcats team this season. He currently sits third in the nation in scoring with 56 points and in assists with 36. He has been awarded the ECAC Player of the Month three times this season. Graf was named to the ECAC First Team All-Conference. • 4th in the NCAA in points per game (1.44) and third in the nation in scoring with 56 points • Tallied the most points by a sophomore in program history • Studying Business Analytics



LANE HUTSON

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Freshman – Defense – North Barrington, Illinois

A dynamic puck-moving defenseman, Hutson leads all blue-liners with 48 points in 38 games. He made history this season by becoming the first defenseman to lead Hockey East in scoring. He was named to the Hockey East First Team All Conference and All Rookie Team. To add to his accolades, he also was named Rookie of the Year and the Hockey East Scoring Champion. • Leads NCAA defenseman with five game winning goals • A 2022 2nd round draft pick and 62nd overall by the Montreal Canadiens • Bronze medalist at World Junior Championship, providing primary assist on the bronze medal-winning goal





DEVON LEVI

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Junior – Goalie – Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec

Devon Levi is a competitive, athletic, and disciplined goaltender. He finished the season with the best save percentage in the nation at .933 and was a Hobey finalist for the second straight season. He was awarded multiple accolades in Hockey East, including Goalie of the Year, Player of the Year, and First Team All Conference. Levi won the 2022 Mike Richter Award and is a finalist again this year. • Finished the season with a 17-12-5 record with a 2.24 GAA and .933 save percentage • Florida draft (7th round, 2020), rights traded to Buffalo – signed with the Sabres on March 17, 2023 • Made the 2022 Canadian Olympic roster • Gives back to his community in Quebec by mentoring and training young athletes, and has donated old gear to his community rink and elementary school



YANIV PERETS

QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY

Sophomore – Goalie – Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec

For the second consecutive season Perets leads the nation in goals against average, compiling a 1.46 GAA this season. He has ten shutouts, the most in the nation, and a save percentage of .932 that is ranked second in the nation. He has the highest win percentage in the nation with only four losses in all 39 games he's played. This is the second straight year the Quebec native has been named a Top 10 finalist, and is another Richter Award Finalist. He was awarded Goalie of the Year, and named to the ECAC First Team All-Conference. • Current record is: 32-4-3 with a 1.46 GAA and .932 save percentage • Has the best single season GAA, save percentage, shutouts, and is tied fifth for most wins in program history • Studying Talent Management



BLAKE PIETILA

MICHIGAN TECH UNIVERSITY

Senior – Goalie – Howell, Michigan

Pietila played in 37 of 39 games for the Huskies this season, with ten of those games ending in a shutout. The Howell native finished the season with a .924 save percentage which is tied for sixth best in the nation, and he has the fifth most wins in college hockey this season at 23. Pietila was named CCHA Goalie of the Year, Player of the Year, and named to the CCHA First Team All Conference. He is also a Richter Award finalist. • Finished the season with a 2.15 GAA and a .924 save percentage through 37 games • Holds Michigan Tech record for all-time wins and has the most shutouts in school history • Mechanical Engineering major



JASON POLIN

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Senior – Forward – Holt, Michigan

Polin played his best season of hockey during his senior season. He finished the season leading the nation in goals with 30, and ranked 8th in points with 47. The Holt native has recorded five hat tricks this season, and his 30 goals have set an NCHC conference record. He was named the NCHC's Player of the Year, Forward of the Year, a Senior Scholar Athlete, Sportsmanship Award, and has been named First Team All Conference. • Finished the season with 30 goals, 17 assists for 47 points in 39 games • Served as team captain for 2022-23 season • Signed an entry level contract with the Colorado Avalanche on March 29, 2023 • Sport Management major – Named an NCHC Distinguished Scholar and named to the NCHC Academic All-Conference Team all four years



CONGRATS TO GOPHER HOCKEY'S *TWO* HAT TRICK FINALISTS



LOGAN COOLEY



MATTHEW KNIES

HOBHEY BAKER



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TOP 10 FINALIST

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DEVON LEVI



- 2x** HOBHEY BAKER FINALIST
- 2x** RICHTER AWARD WINNER
- 2x** FIRST-TEAM ALL-AMERICAN





Hobey Baker Award Trophy

As a symbol of excellence, it had to be outstanding, and the Hobey Baker Memorial Award trophy turned out to be just that. The trophy itself represents art and athletics at their best.

Forty pounds of bronze and clear, etched acrylic, 16 inches high, detailed down to a stitched jersey and lettered stick, the trophy is classic sculpture.

The figure was sculpted by internationally renowned Bill Mack of Bloomington, Minn., whose unique style of relief sculptor is collected worldwide. He has produced sculptors of many Hall of Fame athletes including Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Arthur Ashe, Peggy Fleming, Lyle Alzado and recently the Harmon Killebrew statue at Target Field in Minneapolis.

In creating the Hobey Baker Award, his painstaking process began with the search for a model. That model turned out to be Steve Christoff, who starred at Richfield (Minn.) High School, the University of Minnesota, with the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team and in the National Hockey League.

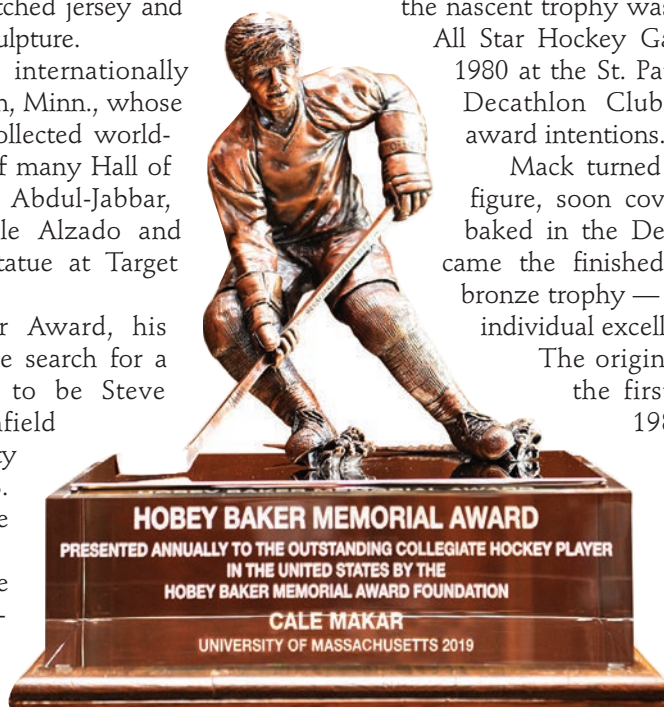
Fifty different skating poses were photographed and analyzed. Practical and artistic considerations

were taken into account. The award had to be sturdy. A skater stopping quickly, sending ice shavings flying, his stick and skates forming a three-point base, was selected.

This pose, photographed from a variety of angles, was broken down in painstaking detail. A charcoal drawing of the nascent trophy was unveiled at the East-West All Star Hockey Game luncheon on April 1, 1980 at the St. Paul Civic Center, where the Decathlon Club publicly announced its award intentions.

Mack turned the drawings into a stick figure, soon covered by clay, then plaster baked in the Decathlon ovens. Finally out came the finished product — the statuary bronze trophy — college hockey's symbol of individual excellence.

The original trophy was unveiled at the first award banquet April 1, 1981 at the Decathlon. The original casting is on display in the Xcel Energy Center, St. Paul, Minn. Each winner has also been presented a trophy, as have the schools they represented.



Hobey Balloting

Each head hockey coach at accredited NCAA Division I schools receives one ballot. Coaches are asked to pick the top three players in their league and the top three players in the nation. These are two separate rankings of three players each — a player may be listed in both rankings and a coach may vote for his own player.

College hockey fans can nominate their favorite players as well through on-line balloting (www.hobeybaker.com) that counts as 1% of the total vote. Ballots from the coaches and fans are tabulated by the accounting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers, and the top 10 candidates are named.

The Hobey Baker Memorial Award Selection Committee and online voters will then select the Hobey Hat Trick (top three finalists) and the winner. The Selection Committee members are a geographically-balanced group of 30 individuals representing print and electronic media, college hockey coaches and officials, and NHL scouts. Their terms are three years, except for officials who serve five years and members may be reappointed.

Award Criteria

- 1) Candidates must exhibit strength of character both on and off the ice.
- 2) Candidates must contribute to the integrity of the team and display outstanding skills in all phases of the game.
- 3) Consideration should be given to scholastic achievement and sportsmanship.
- 4) Candidates must comply with all NCAA rules: be full time students in an accredited NCAA college or university; and complete 50 percent or more of the season.



Hobey Baker Memorial Award Committee

The Hobey Baker Committee is comprised of volunteers and administered by a Chairperson who oversees the committee and its activities.

Several sub-committees have been established to handle the specifics of the award, including publicity, tickets, policies, procedures, advertising, website and social media.



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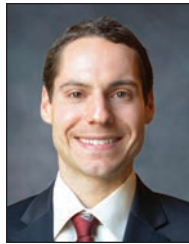
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Hobey Baker Foundation

In 1991, the senior members of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Committee (“Committee”) determined that a Foundation should be formed to ensure the continued protection and growth of this prestigious award. The direction was taken, the research was performed and the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation (“Foundation”) was legally established. In 1992, the Foundation became a reality and is formally governed by a Board of Directors.

Today, the Committee reports directly to the Foundation. Membership in the Foundation is open to current and past Chairmen of the Committee, Past Hobey Baker Memorial Award Winners, Past Hobey Baker Memorial Award Legends of Hockey, and others as determined by the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

The Foundation possesses ownership over all rights to the Hobey Baker Memorial Award and related properties. The Foundation has the ultimate responsibility to maintain the quality and integrity of the Annual Award and Banquet, as well as, the Hobey Baker Brand. The Foundation’s primary charge is to ensure the long-term stewardship, success and expansion of the Hobey Baker Brand.

To accomplish these goals, the Foundation undertakes the following major actions:

1. Develop strategic vision for the annual award and new events
2. Develop and maintain partnerships with entities whose interests and goals are aligned with Hobey Baker’s
3. Negotiate contracts to carry out the mission and approved activities of Hobey Baker

The Hobey Baker Foundation’s efforts to create more exposure for our award include the continued expansion of the Hobey Baker High School Character Award program. This program was started in 2004 with the mission to promote character and sportsmanship at the high

school level by recognizing boy and girl hockey players that exemplify those traits. Each head coach selects the recipient from their team that most exemplifies the character and sportsmanship of Hobey Baker himself. This year The Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation honored about 950 recipients in 20 states. Next year we are targeting all 46 states with high school hockey and 2400 teams. At an average of 17 players per team that means 40,000+ players.

The Foundation also introduced The Hobey Baker Society. This group consists of individuals dedicated to financially supporting the activities of Hobey Baker.

It should be noted that the Hobey Baker Foundation is indebted to all the volunteers that make up the Foundation and Committee. Not only is their contribution in the numerous hours given to making the Award a success, but their contributions are also financial. This year we were just shy of 100% participation in the financial support of the Foundation.

The Foundation is a non-profit organization; therefore donations to the Foundation are tax deductible, as is a portion of the cost of your ticket to tonight’s Banquet.



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A LOOK BACK AT LAST YEAR





Hobey Baker Chairmen

Back in 1980 Chuck Bard was CEO and General Manager of the Decathlon Club in Bloomington, Minn., and came up with the idea to honor the top men's collegiate hockey player in the U.S. His concept came to fruition with the creation of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award. A committee was formed to oversee the operations of the award and each year is guided by a new Committee Chairman. These pillars of strength guide the

award project through all phases of the operation including budgeting, public relations, marketing, banquet and selection process. Countless hours are spent in a volunteer role to make the annual event the best it can be. We salute these past Committee Chairs for their dedication in creating and preserving the outstanding qualities the Hobey Baker Award represents.

1981	Russ Chance	1996	Dal Holmberg	2011	Catie Tobin
1982	Cy Laurent	1997	George Konik	2012	Wally Olson
1983	Ron Marien	1998	Dave Jones	2013	Hans Skulstad
1984	Gary Gandrud	1999	John Rendall	2014	Dan Hoene
1985	Jeff Mack	2000	Don Gorowsky	2015	John Russo
1986	Mark Chronister	2001	Jack Carlson	2016	Chris Bonnell
1987	Steve Moosbrugger	2002	Les Larson	2017	Trevor Larsen
1988	Tom Berkelman	2003	Jim Nichols	2018	Peder Melin
1989	Bill Velin	2004	Jon Doehr	2019	Tom Hauser
1990	Doug Faust	2005	Kevin Moquist	2020	Chuck Ranney
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1992	Burt Dahlberg	2007	Bruce Kubes	2022	Joe Santarelli
1993	Greg Schwarck	2008	Jim Martin	2023	Joey Reilly
1994	Russ Mattson	2009	Lance Madson		
1995	Dave Lindberg	2010	Gary Haugen		

Legends of College Hockey

Each year, the Hobey Baker Award Committee also honors one of the all-time great contributors to the game of college hockey. Without question, this outstanding group of individuals have each left their own valuable trademark on the collegiate game. They have led the way

in all aspects of the game from playing to coaching and even creating the rules. It is through the great efforts of these people that hockey fans everywhere can enjoy today's exciting college hockey.

1981	John "Snooks" Kelly	1996	Len Ceglarski	2010	Charlie Holt
1982	Vic Heyliger	1997	Lou Lamoriello	2011	Herb Brooks
1983	John Mariucci	1998	Ned Harkness	2012	Fernie Flaman
1984	Murray Armstrong	1999	John MacInnes & Glen Sonmor	2013	Jeff Sauer
1985	Herb Gallagher	2000	Bob Johnson	2014	Jack Parker
1986	Amo Bessone	2001	Bob Peters	2015	Tim Taylor
1987	Murray Murdoch	2002	Sid Watson	2016	Bill Selman
1988	Cliff "Fido" Purpur	2003	Charles "Lefty" Smith	2017	Bill Riley, Jr.
1989	Jim Fullerton	2004	Ron Mason	2018	Red Berenson
1990	Al Renfrew	2005	Murray Williamson	2019	Jim Cross
1991	Jack Riley	2006	Ralph "Cooney" Weiland	2020	Rick Comley
1992	John "Connie" Pleban	2007	Ed Saugestad	2021	Mike Sertich
1993	Bill Cleary	2008	Eddie Jeremiah	2022	Gino Gasparini
1994	Jack Kelley	2009	Don Roberts	2023	Jerry York
1995	John Mayasich				

The Hobey Baker Story

*H*obey Baker had all the attributes of a fabulous athlete: a great physique, fantastic reflexes, instant coordination of hand and eye, iron discipline, blazing courage. But he was different. Hobey Baker was the college athlete supreme: The gentleman sportsman, the amateur in the pure sense, playing the game for the sport, who never fouled, despised publicity and refused professional offers. To this day, he is offered as a striking example of the finest that America has produced.

Hobart Amory Hare Baker was born to an aristocratic Philadelphia family January 15, 1892. At age eleven, he was enrolled at St. Paul's School, the famous preparatory school in Concord, New Hampshire, especially favored by the first families of Philadelphia for the training of their sons. Although remembered as industrious rather than brilliant, Hobey was always in the first third of his class and proved diligent and conscientious.

St. Paul's pride was its ice hockey team. The school had introduced the sport to America only eight years before Hobey's arrival. Its teams were outstanding and fared well against college and semi-professional clubs. Hobey Baker made the squad at age fourteen and was soon its hero.

This was the age of seven-man hockey—no forward passing or substitutions allowed. Ironically, these seeming restrictions best showcased Hobey's speed, stickhandling and endurance. Also, with someone like Hobey on the squad, the coach was free to experiment with strategies and maneuvers. For example, he aligned the two defensemen side by side rather than the classical tandem positions of point and cover-point. Offensively, the



standard rush line of four abreast, two wings and two forwards, was altered so the left forward remained on the center line from cage to cage and allowed the right forward (Hobey) to roam all over the ice. These tactics, with the two forward positions renamed center and rover, were immediately adopted by the hockey world.

From St. Paul, ice hockey spread to other prep schools, and upon graduation, players took the game to the college level. And with it, the fame of Hobey Baker.

While at Princeton, he was not only a legend in hockey, but in football as well. He captained the hockey team for two years and the football team for one. As a punt returner, his coordination and footwork allowed him to take chances and do things others wouldn't dare.

Page after page was written about him in the newspapers; fans would line up for hours in advance to purchase tickets.

Crowds in evening dress would arrive by carriage or limousines when the marquee read "Hobey Baker Plays Tonight." Yet Hobey remained unaffected. Shouts of "Here he comes!" would greet his arrival onto the ice and continue throughout the games whenever he touched the puck. He was simply a pleasure to watch.

In his era, Hobey Baker was universally recognized as the best amateur hockey player in the United States. At a time when low scoring games were the rule, Hobey set new standards, averaging more than four goals per game. He was penalized only twice in his college career. His speed and skills dazzled the audiences and the press. The Boston Journal enthused, he "is without a doubt the greatest amateur hockey player ever developed in this country or Canada. No player has been able to weave in and out of a defense, change his pace and direction, with the uncanny skill and generalship of Baker. He is the wonder player of hockey." At a dinner following his senior year, he was crowned with the laurel "King of Hockey." In spite of all the well-deserved praise heaped upon him, he was totally unspoiled by it and he was modest almost to a fault.

After his college years at Princeton Hobey tried his hand in the real world of Wall Street insurance and banking, then the family upholstery business. But he was bored. What sustained him was playing for St. Nick's, an amateur team in Manhattan. His teammates were ex-Harvard, Yale and Princeton players and a few Canadians working in the city. However, the rest of the league made no pretense of being anything but "semi-pros."

In spite of the usual opponent tactic of "get Baker," Hobey continued his college tradition of making his way to the offender's locker room to shake hands after each contest. Baker's aversion to fouling was not because he was stoic or passive, he simply despised dirty play.

Hobey's skills and daring did not diminish, and he continued his reign as king of amateur hockey. The press still found him refreshing and remarkable. Following a game with the Stars, the Montreal Press commented, "Uncle Sam has had the cheek to develop a first-class hockey player. We had always smiled a cynical grin at the thought. A few minutes of Baker on the ice convinced the most skeptical. The blond haired boy was a favorite with the crowd."



The winter of 1916 Hobey's mind was on a very different sort of competition. Believing American involvement in the World War was close at hand, he took up flying. In 1917 Hobey was commissioned a lieutenant in the Army. As a member of the famous Lafayette Escadrille, he was with the first group of American pilots sent to France. He was as adventurous a pilot as he had been an athlete, chosen on occasion to exhibit aerial acrobatics with his friend Eddie Rickenbacker. In combat flying, he found even more danger and excitement than he had in contact sports - and Hobey needed both. He was officially credited with bringing down three enemy planes and was decorated with the Croix de Guerre for "exceptional valor under fire."

Following the armistice, his orders home in hand, Hobey announced to his fellow officers he was going to take "one last flight in the old Spad." His mates were quick to argue with the young captain who was challenging the oldest tradition of the air service—never take a "last" flight lest it be just that. But they were not able to dissuade him and were even more upset when the plane he insisted on flying was a borrowed one, just out of the repair shop.

Tradition was not to be denied the final victory that gray, dismal day over Toul, France. Just a quarter mile out, the engine quit and the plane crashed. Hobey Baker, age 26, died in the ambulance a short time later.

In 1919 he received a posthumous Army citation from General Pershing for distinguished service and exceptional gallantry.

With his death in France, the old-fashioned virtues Hobey Baker personified took on legendary qualities. He was one of the first Americans selected to the Hockey Hall of Fame, in 1945. In 1973, the United States Hockey Hall of Fame in Eveleth, Minnesota included Hobey Baker as a charter member.

The Sports Bay and Chapel in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City was dedicated in 1951. Hobart Baker was one of four men whose name was cut in the walls of the chapel to serve as a constant expression and reminder to all future generations of the highest ideals of character and sportsmanship.

No finer example of the true sportsman may have ever been developed in American athletics. Whatever game he played he always played it first of all for the joy of the sport.

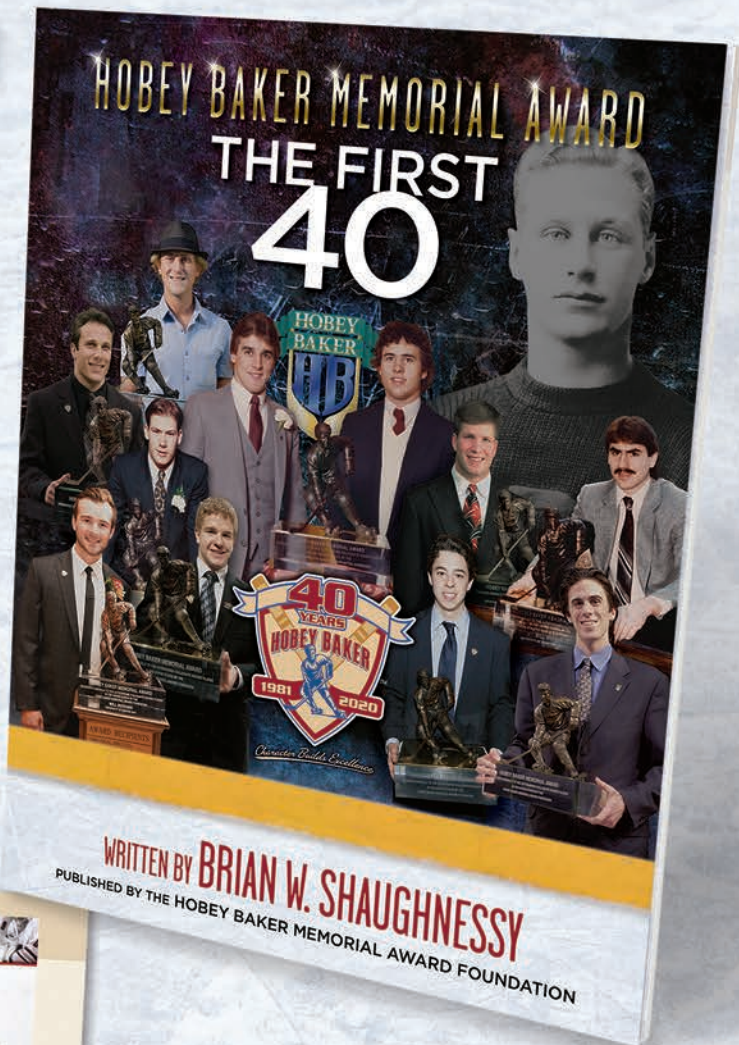
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The Hobey Baker Memorial Award has been presented to the U.S. college hockey player best displaying the virtues Hobey Baker embodied during his lifetime. Past winners of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award include five members of the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame, five Stanley Cup champions, two Olympic gold medalists, and an inductee to the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.

In *Hobey Baker Memorial Award: The First 40*, Brian W. Shaughnessy chronicles the careers of the forty winners of American college hockey's most prestigious honor.



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2019 HOBEY BAKER AWARD WINNER

Cale Makar - Defenseman
 University of Massachusetts-Amherst Minutemen

PLAYER PROFILE:
 Sophomore
 6'0", 192 pounds
 Calgary, Alberta
 Sweater # 18
 Colorado Avalanche's first round pick, #4 overall, in the 2017 National Hockey League Entry Draft



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1981 HOBEY BAKER AWARD WINNER

Neal Broten - Forward
 University of Minnesota Golden Gophers

PLAYER PROFILE:
 Sophomore
 6'7", 170 Pounds
 Roseau, Minnesota
 Sweater # 7
 Minnesota North Stars' third round pick, #42 overall, in the 1979 National Hockey League Entry Draft



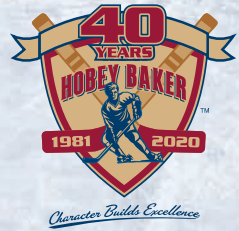
The 1981 Hobey Baker Award winner, Neal Broten, was a two-time All-American and a two-time USA Hockey All-Star. He was named the 1981 Hobey Baker Award winner.

1981 Runner-Ups:
 Steve Utheth (Senior, Roseville, MN) - Forward - University of Minnesota
Additional Top 10 Finalists:
 Bill Pevener (Senior, Lenoir, NE) - Goalkeeper - Bemidji College
 Ed Small (Junior, Chaska, MN) - Defense - Clarkson University
 Mark Hestges (Senior, New Hope, MN) - Forward - St. Thomas University
 Rick Stacks (Senior, Lake Park, NY) - Goalkeeper - SUNY Westchester State
 Andy Swada (Sophomore, Niagara, NY) - Forward - Northern University
 Steve Bask (Senior, Canby, OR) - Forward - Northern University
 Steve Carroll (Senior, Edina, MN) - Goalkeeper - Minnesota State University
 Tom Lawler (Junior, Ansonia, MN) - Forward - Hermans College

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Hobey Baker Exhibit at Xcel Arena

Roger Godin and Tom Certia, Minnesota Wild Curators, maintain the official Hobey Baker Foundation exhibit at Gate Four in the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul. The exhibit honors the current recipient with his jersey and head/shoulder portrait. Also on display are the jerseys of Minnesotans who have won the Hobey Baker Award. Elsewhere in the exhibit is the trophy itself accompanied by Hobey Baker's biography, as well as presentations on the Legends of College Hockey. A recent addition to the display is an automated video display that scrolls through all of the past award recipients with a short biography of each.

We are grateful to the Minnesota Wild organization for sponsoring this display and providing this prominent space to promote our prestigious award. Plan on paying a visit on your next visit to the X.



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History of the Hobey Baker Award

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By Charles R. Bard,
CEO, Decathlon Athletic Club

In February of 1978, I attended the Club Managers Convention in Los Angeles at the Los Angeles Athletic Club. Following the convention I was asked by Duke Llewellyn, Athletic Director of the LAAC and the Administrator of the Wooden Award, to stay over a couple of nights and attend

the US Open at the Riviera Country Club.

That Sunday evening following the Open, Duke asked me to dine with him at the LAAC. Following dinner, Duke gave me a tour of the facility and in the process revealed their plans for the Wooden Award created to honor the outstanding collegiate basketball player of the year. He related their beginning, how the trophy was designed, their early successes and failures. He discussed how they patterned the Award after the Heisman Award, and I immediately suggested that the Decathlon Club could do the same thing for hockey. Duke agreed and said what better place than Minnesota. We discussed their financial difficulties, their expenses, and their revenues. Their banquet was held at the Club where space was limited.

After returning I began looking into the feasibility of starting a similar award for hockey at the DAC. At that time we were going through our first major expansion program at the DAC and every program had to be self-sustaining. In the following months I gathered financial material for the Heisman Award from Rudy Riska, Athletic Director of the New York

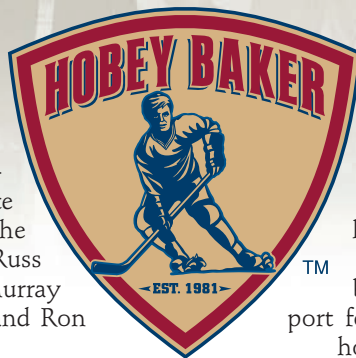
Downtown Athletic Club, and further financial information on the Wooden Award. Since the Heisman originated in the 1920s, it was difficult to compare with their years of experience and major sponsors. Their 1978 banquet was held at a hotel in town, which seated 1200 people at \$125 a plate. Their big expense, which would not be a problem for us, was the expense of bringing in past winners. They actually had a two-tiered head table with all the past winners on the first tier.

I continued to research the two awards and attended two of the Heisman Award banquets as the guest of Director Riska. I attended both VIP receptions and began to formulate my plan for a similar award for hockey.

In the fall of 1979, following a very successful sports banquet at the DAC, Wally McCarthy suggested we should have a second sporting event each year. With the hockey award in mind I felt it was now time to discuss the concept. I asked Russ Chance, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, to meet with me. When I expressed my interest in a collegiate hockey award, Russ agreed. We discussed the financial arrangements necessary, and I told Russ that I would pursue sponsors to make the award self-sustaining if he would chair the first event, and he agreed to do so. He also agreed to bring it to the Board of Directors for their approval.

Over the next several months I pursued potential sponsors and succeeded in getting commitments from Ralph Greig of Pepsi Bottling Company and Joe Lapinsky, President of Northwest Airlines, for some form of financial backing. I also lined up Jim Thaxton, President of Sports Films & Talent, to do the filming of the potential finalists.





Character Builds Excellence

I then began to establish an organizational committee of club members who were interested in sports and the concept of a collegiate hockey award. The first members of the committee were Walter Bush, Jim Thaxton, Russ Chance, Pinky McNamara, George Konik, Murray Williamson, Grady Alderman, Ralph Greig, and Ron Fletcher.

I asked John Justice, Athletic Director of the DAC, to draw up a format for the award. John went to work on a plan to establish the criteria as to who would do the voting to select the candidates, how to arrive at a top ten, and finally, the winner. At this point I felt we needed someone to actually be in charge of the award itself, and I appointed Patty Riha, editor of the DAC Discus magazine, to be the award coordinator. The three of us put our final touch on the format and then presented it to the Organizational Committee for final approval. By this time our Committee had grown in size as we felt the need for more help on the various committees within the Organizational Committee. We broke the Committee's assignments as follows, calling it the Planning Committee.

Next came the choice for a name for the award. I asked Walter Bush how I could get a list of the Hockey Hall of Fame members. Walter said he would send me a list of the names in the Canadian Hockey Hall of Fame and suggested I contact Roger Godin who was then in charge of the U. S. Hockey Hall of Fame. Roger sent me his list and I began to study the biographies of the names in the two Halls of Fame. After reviewing all of the inductees, I settled on four names that impressed me the most. They were Frankie Brimsek, Moose Goheen, John Mariucci, and of course Hobey Baker. Even though I had come up with the four final names for the Committee's review, I had already made up my mind. I was so enamored with Hobey that I secured all of the information on him that I could, even contacting W.C. Stryker, the Director of Athletic Relations at Princeton University, where Hobey attended and performed.

When I attended the next Committee meeting I brought the four names for consideration, but only brought the bio on Hobey. It was a tough decision for a few because the other three candidates were all from Minnesota. In fact, John Mariucci was my neighbor in Bloomington. My input prevailed however, and the Committee voted unanimously for Hobart Amory Baker.

I contacted Bill Stryker at Princeton and learned there were relatives of Hobey's in New York, Princeton, and believe it or not, two in St. Paul, Minnesota. There were two nephews in New York that were the sons of Hobey's brother, Thornton. One was Alfred Baker, a senior editor at Time Magazine, and the other was Hobey Baker, Creative Director at General Mills. One cousin, Lewis Baker Cuyler lived in Princeton and the two cousins living in St. Paul were Mrs. Benjamin Griggs and Mrs. Charles Ames.

I traveled to New York and Princeton to meet those relatives and secure their permission for the use of Hobey's name. Nephew Hobey had in his possession an elaborate scrapbook that Hobey's mother had compiled. He graciously allowed me to bring the scrapbook back to Minnesota with

me. Jim Thaxton's Sports Film & Talent Company duplicated the entire scrapbook which allowed us to have all the pictures, stories, and headlines we now have in our possession.

While in New York I also contacted a number of media people to get their input and support for the award. I met personally with Mulvoy, hockey editor for Sports Illustrated at that time, and with Judy Weiss in the New York office of Hockey News. On the phone I talked with Tom Murray and Charlie Halpin of Hockey News in Toronto, and Larry Klein of Sport Magazine. They were all very helpful and supportive of such an award. I also spent more time with Rudi Riska while in New York, and received more of the background on the Heisman Award.

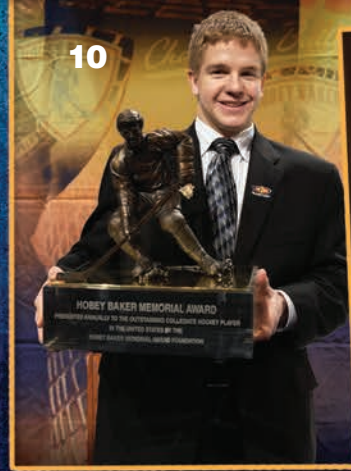
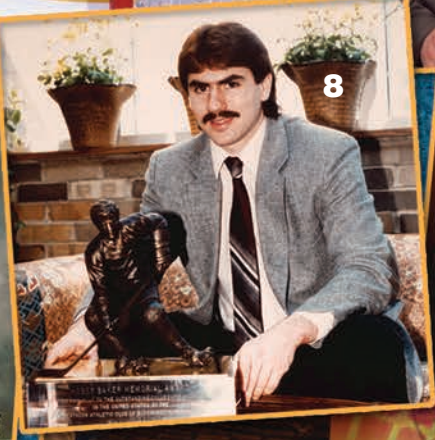
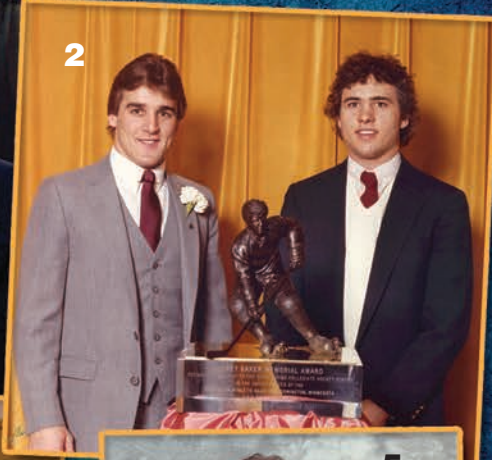
From there I solicited suggestions, recommendations, support and approval from Dennis Poppe and William Hunt of the NCAA, Hal Trumble of the Amateur Hockey Association, Bill Cleary, Harvard hockey coach and Executive Director of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, Lefty Smith, Notre Dame Hockey coach and President of the American Hockey Coaches Association, along with W.C. Stryker. The next step was to establish an Advisory Committee of well recognized and respected hockey icons and legends that we felt could add their expertise and prestige to the award. With the help of Walter Bush, and the member of the Organizational Committee, a committee was formed that consisted of Thayer Tutt, Bob Ridder, Don Clark, Bill Cleary and Snooks Kelly. Walter Bush would serve as the Chairman of this committee. This committee was responsible for overseeing the Award and for selecting a 13-person selection committee that would ultimately name the winner.

A network of all college coaches in the NCAA, divisions I, II and III, was established to determine the top ten candidates. They all voted for the three best players in their estimation. The votes of the coaches determined who the top 10 finalists would be. Our problem during the first couple of years was that we, in an attempt to be all-inclusive, gave equal weight to Divisions II and III, and ended up with too many players from those divisions in the top 10. Following this, the 13-man selection committee would select the ultimate winner. This selection committee would be made up of equal representation from the East and the Midwest. One person would be designated to represent the daily newspapers, the magazines, the electronic media, the American Hockey Association, the NHL scouts, and the Hockey Coaches Association, thus creating twelve members. The Decathlon Chairman of the Committee was the thirteenth member, and would only vote in the event of a tie. Members were to serve two-year terms. After two years new members were appointed by the Advisory Committee.

The first Hobey Baker Award winner, Neal Broten, was announced at the DAC before a very sparse media audience on March 20, 1981. The Award banquet was held at the Decathlon Athletic Club on March 30, 1981. Attired in black tie, the head table featured Gordie Howe as guest speaker. The Master of Ceremonies was the legendary Ray Scott and the long awaited event was a complete sell out.

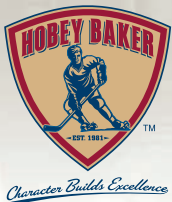


TRIBUTE TO PAST AWARD WINNERS



A salute to some of our past award winners:

1. Brian Bonin ('96), Robb Stauber ('88), David Emma ('91), Bill Watson ('85), Ryan Duncan ('07), Chris Marinucci ('94), Andy Miele ('11), Blake Geoffrion ('10), George McPhee ('82), Marty Sertich ('05), Tony Hrkac ('87), Scott Pellerin ('92), Mark Fusco ('83), Jordan Leopold ('02), Lane MacDonald ('89), Scott Fusco ('86); **2.** George McPhee ('82), Neal Broten ('81), **3.** Jack Eichel ('15); **4.** Robb Stauber ('88); **5.** Jordan Leopold ('02); **6.** Marty Sertich ('05); **7.** Brian Bonin ('96); **8.** Bill Watson ('85); **9.** Drew LeBlanc ('13); **10.** Ryan Duncan ('07); **11.** Cale Makar ('19).



Past Hobey Baker Award Recipients

1981-2022



1981 — Neal Broten *University of Minnesota Golden Gophers*

Scored 71 points in 41 games as a freshman and 71 points in 36 games as a sophomore ... scored game-winning goal in Minnesota's 4-3 win over North Dakota in the 1979 NCAA Championship game ... member of the 1980 gold medal-winning U.S. Olympic hockey team ... selected by the Minnesota North Stars in the 1979 NHL Entry Draft ... received the North Stars' Bill Masterton Memorial Cup in '84 and '86 ... spent 15 seasons with the Stars franchise (Minnesota and Dallas, 2 stints) before being traded to the New Jersey Devils in February of 1995 ... won the Stanley Cup with the 1995 Devils, becoming the second Hobey winner to do so ... his number was retired by the Dallas Stars after 17 years in the NHL ... Neal currently resides in River Falls, Wisconsin.



1982 — George McPhee *Bowling Green State Univ. Falcons*

Held Bowling Green school record of 267 points in 153 games ... was named CCHA Player of the Year, All-America first team and First Team All Star in 1982 ... was the first CCHA player to earn All-Academic honors three years in a row (1979-82) ... was CCHA's all-time leading scorer with 114 goals and 153 assists ... BGSU freshman point record with 88 in 1979 ... first Falcon hockey number retired and was elected to the BGSU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1987 ... played seven NHL seasons with the New York Rangers and New Jersey Devils ... retired from hockey in 1989 and received his law degree from Rutgers University in 1992. ... George was vice president and general manager of the Washington Capitals for 17 seasons. In July of 2016, George was named General Manager of the NHL expansion Vegas Golden Knights and is now the teams' President of Hockey Operations.



1983 — Mark Fusco *Harvard University Crimson*

Holds Harvard record for most career goals by a defenseman (44), most points by a defenseman in a season (46) and most career points by a defenseman (135) ... an all-America first team and all-Ivy League selection in 1981, '82 and '83 ... received Harvard's John Tudor Memorial Cup in 1980, '82 and '83 for his qualities of sportsmanship, leadership and team co-operation ... a member of the 1984 U.S. Olympic hockey team ... played 80 games during two NHL seasons with the Hartford Whalers ... Mark graduated from Harvard Business School in '90 and is the CEO of Aspen Technology.



Bowling Green State University Athletics



1984 — Tom Kurvers *Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs*

Holds the Bulldog career record for most goals by a defenseman with 43 from 1980-84 ... named UMD's Rookie of the Year in 1981 ... named the WCHA's Most Valuable Player, WCHA All-Academic and all-WCHA first team in 1984, when he helped lead the Bulldogs to their first WCHA regular season title and a second-place finish in the NCAA championship ... was a charter member of the UMD Athletic Hall of Fame (1991) ... selected by Montreal in the 1981 NHL entry draft, Kurvers played for the Canadiens, Buffalo Sabres, New Jersey Devils, Toronto Maple Leafs, Vancouver Canucks, New York Islanders and Anaheim Mighty Ducks in a 11-year NHL career ... retired after a stint in the Japanese professional league ... Tom was the assistant General Manager of the Minnesota Wild up until his passing after a two-year battle with cancer in 2021.



1985 — Bill Watson *Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs*

WCHA leading scorer in 1984 and 1985 ... helped the Bulldogs to WCHA regular season titles in 1984 and 1985, as well as second- and third-place NCAA finishes, respectively, in those seasons ... All-WCHA first team in '84 and '85, as well as league and team Most Valuable Player in '85 ... scored at least one point in 52 of 53 games between December '84 and March '85, including a school-record 33 consecutive games ... two time All-American ... UMD's season point record holder with 49 goals and 60 assists for 109 points in 1985 ... his 1.94 points per game average is a Bulldog career record ... played professionally for the Chicago Blackhawks from 1985-89 ... he spent four seasons coaching at Western Michigan Univ. and now is an operations assistant at the Univ. Minnesota Duluth while continuing to work for Northwestern Mutual Life ... Bill lives in Duluth with wife Molly and three children.



1986 — Scott Fusco *Harvard University Crimson*

Captured the Ivy League scoring title during his freshman, junior and senior years ... reigns as the Crimson's all-time scoring leader with 240 points ... four-time, first team All-Ivy and three-time All-ECAC selection ... named the Ivy League Player of the Year in 1985 and '86 ... first player to be named ECAC Player of the Year twice, in '85 and '86 ... received All-American honors in '85 and '86 ... played for Team USA with his brother Mark, during the 1984 Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia and with 1989 Hobey winner Lane MacDonald during the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, Alberta ... Scott graduated from Harvard in 1986 with a degree in economics and is the owner of Bedford Sports Center in Massachusetts.

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"Through his immense talent and toughness, fierce competitiveness, and exceptional leadership qualities, George McPhee established himself as one of the greatest collegiate players ever during his four seasons at Bowling Green State University. McPhee was an electrifying offensive performer who shattered Bowling Green and CCHA scoring records while guiding the Falcons to two of their best seasons in program history." — from *The First 40* by Brian Shaughnessy

In his sophomore year, McPhee began playing for 2023 Legend of College Hockey Jerry York, the first year of York's fifteen-year tenure coaching at Bowling Green. George became the second Hobey recipient his senior year.



1987 — Tony Hrkac
Univ. of North Dakota Fighting Sioux

WCHA Player of the Year in 1987 ... helped the Fighting Sioux to the WCHA regular season and playoff titles in 1986-87 ... named NCAA Tournament MVP in 1987 as North Dakota claimed the national championship ... set an NCAA record for most points in a season with 116 in 1986-87 on 46 goals, 70 assists in 48 games ... set WCHA season mark for assists with 70 in

1986-87 ... scored 64 goals and added 108 assists for 172 career points in 84 games with the Fighting Sioux ... selected by the St. Louis Blues in the second round of the 1984 NHL Entry Draft ... spent 20 years playing pro hockey retiring in 2005 from the Milwaukee Admirals of the AHL ... spent parts of 14 years in the NHL with St. Louis (4 years, 2 stints), Quebec Nordiques (2 years), San Jose, Chicago, Dallas, Edmonton, NY Islanders, Anaheim (2 years) and Atlanta (2 years) ... After retiring in 2005 following two seasons with Milwaukee in the AHL, Hrkac was coaching Concordia University in Wisconsin before the playing bug reignited. Hrkac returned to play with Houston of the AHL for 12 games in 2008-09 and 17 games in 2009-10. He now is a pro scout with the Tampa Bay Lightning.



1988 — Robb Stauber
University of Minnesota Golden Gophers

First goaltender to receive the Hobey ... 1988 WCHA Player of the Year ... helped the Golden Gophers to WCHA regular season titles in 1988 and 1989, as well as a NCAA runner-up finish in 1989 ... received Minnesota's John Mariucci Most Valuable Player Award in 1988 ... set Golden Gopher single season records for games played (44), minutes played (2,621), saves (1,711) and

shutouts (5) in 1987-88 ... holds Golden Gopher career records for games played (98), minutes played (5,717), wins (73) and save percentage (.906) ... named All-WCHA first team and All-America first team in 1988 ... named WCHA Goaltender of the Year in 1988 and 1989 ... retired from professional hockey in 1998 after a ten-year pro career including stints in four seasons in the NHL with the LA Kings and Buffalo ... Robb currently operates Robb Stauber's Goalcrease training center in the Twin Cities, and most recently coached the U.S. Women's Olympic hockey team at the 2018 Winter Olympics to a gold medal.



1989 — Lane MacDonald
Harvard University Crimson

Named to the All-ECAC first team in 1987 and 1989 ... a two-time first team All-America selection ... a NCAA All-Tournament selection when the Crimson captured the school's first NCAA Championship in 1989 ... named Most Valuable Player of the 1987 ECAC Championship Tournament and 1989 ECAC Player of the Year ... set the Harvard career goal mark with 111 tallies and finished

second in career points with 225 ... played for Team USA during the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, Alberta ... selected by the Calgary Flames in the third round of the 1985 NHL Entry Draft ... graduated from Harvard in 1989 with a degree in economics ... turned down a contract offer from the Hartford Whalers to play professional hockey in Switzerland ... returned to Harvard in 1990-91 and spent one season as an assistant coach at Harvard ... currently resides in Boston, working in the venture capital industry, after receiving his MBA at Stanford University.



1990 — Kip Miller
Michigan State University Spartans

Named the Spartans Rookie of the Year after his freshman season at MSU ... led the nation in scoring as a junior with 77 points in 47 games ... helped the Spartans to CCHA regular season and playoff titles in 1989 and 1990 as well as a league playoff title and NCAA runner-up finish in 1987 ... named first team All-America and All-CCHA first team in 1989 and 1990 ... named 1990

CCHA Player of the Year after leading the league in scoring with 48 goals and 53 assists ... named MSU's Most Valuable Player and Outstanding Senior in his final season with the Spartans ... selected by the Quebec Nordiques in the 1987 NHL Entry Draft ... Kip retired from hockey in 2007 after a seventeen-year pro career. He spent parts of 14 years in the NHL with the Quebec Nordiques, Minnesota North Stars, San Jose, New York Islanders, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Anaheim and Washington. He had two different stints with both Pittsburgh and the Islanders. Miller resides in East Lansing, Mich. where he has several business interests.



1991 — David Emma
Boston College Eagles

All-time leading scorer in Eagle history with 239 points in 147 games ... led BC in career goals with 112 and assists with 127 ... 1991 Hockey East Player of the Year and scoring champion ... selected by USA Hockey as the New England Amateur Hockey Player of the Year ... named 1991 Male Athlete of the Year by members of the Rhode Island sports media ... member of Hockey

East All-Academic team in 1990 and 1991 ... his jersey was the first hockey sweater to be retired by BC ... earned a silver medal with Team USA during the 1990 Goodwill Games in Seattle ... played for Team USA again during the 1992 Winter Olympics in Albertville, France ... selected by the New Jersey Devils in the 1989 NHL Entry Draft ... graduated from BC in 1991 with a degree in finance and marketing and was a member of the Dean's List. David is retired from pro hockey after a ten-year pro career primarily in the minors including a three-year run with Klagenfurt of the Austrian A league. David had NHL stints with New Jersey, Boston and Florida and now lives in Naples, Flor. doing financial planning for professional athletes.



1992 — Scott Pellerin
University of Maine Black Bears

Second all-time scorer in Maine history with 223 points ... Third in career goals with 106, third in career assists with 117 and second in career games with 167 ... holds Maine record for career power play goals with 47 ... first player in Maine's history as a Division I program to score 100 goals and record 100 assists ... named 1992 Hockey East Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player of the Hockey East Championship Tournament ... a member

of Team Canada during the 1990 Goodwill Games in Seattle ... selected by the New Jersey Devils in the third round of the 1989 NHL Entry Draft ... Scott is retired from hockey after a twelve-year pro career. He spent parts of ten seasons playing in the NHL with New Jersey, St. Louis, Minnesota Wild, Carolina, Boston, Dallas and Phoenix.

In 1988, Robb Stauber was the first goaltender to be awarded the Hobey. Also in 1988, both Robb and his brother Pete played in the NCAA championship tournament, but on different teams. Robb played for Minnesota, while Pete skated for Lake Superior State University, which won its first national title that year. They did not face each other in the tournament, however.



University of Minnesota Athletics

Character Builds Excellence



1993 — Paul Kariya
University of Maine Black Bears

First freshman to win the Hobey ... notched 25 goals and 75 assists for 100 points in 39 games during his only full season of college hockey ... helped the Black Bears to an impressive 42-1-2 overall record, along with NCAA and Hockey East titles, in 1992-93 ... won the 1992-93 Hockey East scoring title with 15 goals and 48 assists in conference play, a record for a freshman ... had a Hockey East record 23-game scoring streak and a school record 31-game scoring streak in 1992-93 ... helped Team Canada to a silver medal finish in the 1994 Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway and a gold medal at the world hockey championships later that same year ... Picked fourth overall by Anaheim in the 1993 NHL Entry Draft, Paul spent the first nine seasons of his career with the Ducks. That was followed by a single season in Colorado, two seasons with Nashville and three seasons with the St. Louis Blues. Completing 15 NHL campaigns, Kariya averaged a point per game in his lengthy pro career and won the Lady Byng Trophy twice as the NHL's most gentlemanly player. He retired after sitting out the 2010-11 season with post-concussion syndrome.



1994 — Chris Marinucci
Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs

WCHA leading scorer in 1993-94 with 30 goals and 31 assists for 61 points ... helped the Bulldogs to the WCHA regular season title in 1992-93 ... All-WCHA first team and league Most Valuable Player in 1993-94 ... All-WCHA second team and runner-up for league scoring title in 1992-93 (finished second to linemate and 1993 Hobey finalist Derek Plante) ... named USA Hockey's College Hockey Player of the Year in 1994 ... played in a team-record 149 consecutive games during his four seasons at UMD ... notched a team-record nine game-winning goals in 1992-93 ... was selected by the New York Islanders in the 1990 NHL Entry Draft ... Chris is retired from pro hockey after a ten-year career in minor pro hockey including single season stints in Japan, Germany and Sweden. He has taken his years of hockey experience into the coaching ranks guiding the Grand Rapids, Minnesota boys high school team.



1995 — Brian Holzinger
Bowling Green State Univ. Falcons

CCHA Player of the Year during the 1994-95 season ... led the Falcons offensively as a senior with 35 goals and 34 assists for 69 total points ... became only the third player in league history to be named a unanimous All-CCHA first team selection and a unanimous CCHA All-Academic team selection in the same year ... was a three-time member of the CCHA's All-Academic team ... his jersey became only the second hockey sweater retired by BGSU, after that of 1982 Hobey winner George McPhee ... a member of the Dean's List majoring in business (management information systems) and maintained a 3.29 GPA ... was selected by the Buffalo Sabres in the sixth round of the 1991 NHL Entry Draft ... Brian is retired from pro hockey after a ten-year pro career with Buffalo (five seasons), Tampa Bay (three seasons), Pittsburgh (one and half seasons) and Columbus.



1996 — Brian Bonin
University of Minnesota Golden Gophers

Bonin became only the second Gopher hockey player to be named a First-Team All-American in back-to-back seasons, after John Mayasich in 1954 and 1955 ... led the WCHA in scoring as both a junior and a senior, and was named the league's player of the year in 1995 and 1996 seasons ... led the nation in regular season scoring as a senior and finished with 34 goals and 47 assists for 81 points. His 216 career points rank him among the top six scorers in Minnesota history ... Bonin carried himself just as well in the classroom as on the ice, carrying a 3.17 overall GPA as a chemistry major ... was a ninth-round pick (211th overall) of the Pittsburgh Penguins in the 1992 NHL Entry Draft ... Brian is retired from professional hockey and working in the IT industry in the Twin Cities. He spent five seasons playing minor pro hockey in the AHL and IHL and two seasons with Langnau in the Swiss A league.



1997 — Brendan Morrison
University of Michigan Wolverines

The first Hobey Baker recipient from the University of Michigan, Morrison led the nation in both regular season scoring (26-52-78) and assists (1.32 per game)... was on the ice for more than 50% of Michigan goals ... in leading the Wolverines to the 1997 CCHA title and a berth in the NCAA Championship, Morrison was named the CCHA Player of the Year for the second consecutive season ... shattered school records for total points (284) and total assists (182) ranking him among the Top 10 all-time point leaders in NCAA history ... scored the overtime, winning goal in the 1996 NCAA Championship title game ... Hobey Baker Finalist and All-America selection three straight years ... was a second round pick (39th overall) of the New Jersey Devils ... Brendan enjoyed an illustrious pro career beginning with New Jersey (three seasons), Vancouver (seven seasons), Anaheim, Dallas and Washington. In 2011-12, he started his 14th NHL season (second with Calgary) before being traded to Chicago and retired following the season, having played in 995 career NHL games earning 631 total points. Brendan is now living in Calgary, Alberta selling specialty products to the oil and construction industries.



1998 — Chris Drury
Boston University Terriers

Drury's Hobey Baker campaign included 28 goals and 29 assists averaging 1.5 points per game. The senior captain was named First Team All-America for the second consecutive season, the Hockey East Player of the Year for the second consecutive season, the Hockey East Defensive Player of the Year and to the All-Hockey East Team for the third consecutive season. The all-time leading goal scorer at BU with 116, Drury was the first Terrier to capture the Hobey. Drury went from college right to the NHL where he spent his entire career with four teams. He began with the team who drafted him, the Colorado Avalanche, and was named the 1999 NHL Rookie of the Year. After a four-year stint with the Avs, Drury played one season in Calgary, three seasons in Buffalo and completed his fourth season with the New York Rangers in 2010-11 – a season limited due to injury and retired in August of 2011. In 12 NHL seasons, Drury scored 20 or more goals on nine occasions and played in a total of 1027 NHL games recording 704 total points. In May of 2017, Drury was named General Manager of the New York Rangers AHL affiliate the Hartford Wolfpack and the Assistant General Manager of the Rangers. In May of 2021, he was named GM and President of the New York Rangers.

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1999 — Jason Krog
University of New Hampshire Wildcats

The first Hobey Baker recipient from the University of New Hampshire, the senior centerman finished conference play with 20 goals and 53 points in 20 games, averaging 2.2 points per game. Krog became the first Hockey East player since 1993 Hobey recipient Paul Kariya to break 50 points in conference play. The Wildcats captain led all scorers nationally in a number of categories

through 38 games including points (79), goals (32), assists (47), points per game (2.08), goals per game and assists per game. The unanimous selection as the Hockey East Player of the Year, Krog was also a Hobey Baker finalist in 1998. Jason spent time with five NHL teams (NY Islanders, Anaheim, Atlanta, NY Rangers and Vancouver), seven AHL teams plus a two-year stint in Europe. Krog spent two seasons with the Chicago Wolves of the AHL through 2011; then headed overseas spending three seasons with HV71 Jonkoping of the Swedish elite league. Krog then played one season in Villach, Austria with VSV EC and the 2015-16 season, his 17th in pro hockey, he played for Rouen in France then retired following the season. Jason has parlayed his years of European hockey experience to forming Higher Hockey Management, a hockey agency to help guide players into the European hockey market.



2000 — Mike Mottau
Boston College Eagles

Mottau became the second Boston College player to win the Hobey, doing so in his senior season as captain of the Eagles. A sound two-way defenseman, Mike was named Hockey East Defensive Defenseman of the Year, a First Team All Star and was Co-Player of the Year in the league. He recorded 44 points in 42 games played, setting BC and Hockey East records for career points by a defenseman. Additionally, Mike set two other school records, most games played and most assists, surpassing former Hobey winner David Emma. A Communications major, Mottau won the Walter Brown Award for the second straight year as the top American-born player in New England. After spending seven seasons toiling in the American Hockey League, Mike's perseverance paid off as he completed three seasons with the New Jersey Devils and was in his second season with the NY Islanders in 2011-12 before being traded late season to the Boston Bruins. He spent the 2012-13 season with San Antonio and Toronto of the AHL, and in the summer of 2013, signed with the Florida Panthers, his sixth NHL franchise. Mottau retired from pro hockey following the 2013-14 season and became a scout for the Chicago Blackhawks. Mottau left the hockey business and now is in business development for Sunrise Erectors.

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University of Michigan Athletics

Mike Mottau was the second player from Boston College to win the Hobey Baker Award in 2000, with David Emma being the first. However, Mottau was the third of four Hobey winners to play for legendary coach Jerry York. York coached George McPhee (1982) and Brian Holzinger (1995) while at Bowling Green State University, and coached Mike Mottau (2000) and Johnny Gaudreau (2014) at Boston College.



2001 — Ryan Miller
Michigan State University Spartans

Miller became just the second goaltender to win the Hobey Baker Award doing so in only his sophomore season. He led the nation in all major goalie categories including wins (31), goals against average (1.32), shutouts (10) and set an NCAA record for saves percentage (.950). His two-year total of 18 shutouts also set an NCAA career shutout record. Ryan's outstanding year

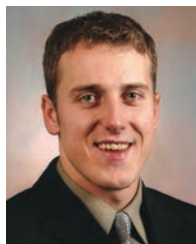
was capped with six CCHA post season awards including Player of the Year and Best Goaltender honors. The business major set several team and CCHA records along the way helping guide his Spartans to the #1 national ranking heading into the NCAA Frozen Four Championship Tournament. In 2001-02, Miller was again a Hobey Baker top ten finalist while garnering CCHA MVP honors for the second straight year and being named Goalie of the Year for the third straight season, adding eight more shutouts to his NCAA career shutout record (26). Miller spent his first 11 NHL seasons with the Buffalo Sabres, was traded in March of 2013 to the St. Louis Blues, then signed an off-season (2014) deal with the Vancouver Canucks where he played for three seasons. Miller also backstopped the United States to a silver medal at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. In February of 2019, Miller became the winningest American-born goalie in NHL history, and, is one of only 30 goalies in NHL history to record over 300 wins. Miller just completed his 18th NHL season and fourth with the Anaheim Ducks and retired following the 2020-21 season having played in 796 career regular season games finishing with a career 2.64 GAA and .914 SP along with 44 career shutouts.



2002 — Jordan Leopold
University of Minnesota Golden Gophers

Capping a remarkable four-year career, the Golden Gophers captain was named Minnesota's fourth Hobey winner, then went on to help his team to it's fourth NCAA championship. A Hobey finalist two straight seasons, Leopold posted 48 points in 44 games to lead all defenseman in the nation in scoring. The mobile blueliner scored 20 goals, assisted on another 28 and

tallied 8 power play goals in his super season. Jordan established two team records by a defenseman: most goals in a season (20) and in a career (45) while finishing third in team points his senior season. For the second straight year, Leopold was the WCHA Defensive Player of the Year and a First Team All Star. A two-time All American, Leopold has done some travelling, spending three seasons each with Calgary and Colorado; a split season with the Florida Panthers and the Pittsburgh Penguins; and after two complete seasons with the Buffalo Sabres, was traded midway through the 2012-13 season to St. Louis where he spent two full seasons with the Blues. The 2014-15 campaign started with Leopold in St. Louis, was traded to Columbus and then to the Minnesota Wild where he completed his 12th pro season in the NHL on his eighth team. Leopold retired after that season and his family operates an event center in Minneapolis.



2003 — Peter Sejna
Colorado College Tigers

The nation's leader in points and goals is only the second Hobey candidate from Europe. His consistency was amplified by the fact he recorded points in all but one game. In 42 contests, the Tiger sniper bagged 36 goals, 46 assists and 82 total points. His 15 power play goals ranked third in the nation and his eight game winners were tied for second. The WCHA Player of the Year

helped CC to its first regular season title since 1996. Peter recorded 27 multiple point games en route to the top of the college hockey scoring list. Sejna signed as a free agent spending four years in the St. Louis Blues system and played 49 NHL games. He then headed to Europe and has spent eight seasons playing in the Swiss A League with Zurich (3 seasons), Davos (2 seasons) and two seasons with Rapperswil-Jona. Sejna completed his pro career in 2014-15 playing with La Chaux-de-Fonds in the Swiss national B league. Sejna is now working in the real estate industry in Denver.

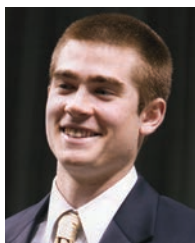


2004 — Junior Lessard
Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs

Lessard, the Bulldogs' alternate captain, became the seventh Bulldog to be named a Hobey Baker finalist. Lessard came away with top honors in the WCHA by securing a spot on the All-WCHA First Team and claimed the illustrious honor of WCHA Player of the year for 2003-04. Lessard helped the Bulldogs advance to the Frozen Four for the first time in 11 years. He was

rewarded for his efforts by being named to the NCAA Midwest Regional All-Tournament Team. He led the nation in points (61) and in goals (30). He was the WCHA co-scoring leader with 19 goals and 20 assists in league play. He also ranked tied for second in the NCAA in power play goals with 12. Lessard ranked fourth in the NCAA in points per game at 1.46. His prolific goal scoring helped secure UMD to its highest (second) and the best regular season finish (23-10-4) in 11 years. Notwithstanding, his scoring ability, he was a +22 plus-minus on the season.

After spending his first five years of pro hockey split between the NHL (Dallas, Tampa Bay) and several AHL teams, Junior spent one season playing in Europe and the 2010-11 season with Idaho in the ECHL. He has retired from pro hockey and resides in his hometown of St. Joseph deBeauce, Quebec where he works as an English language teacher.



2005 — Marty Sertich
Colorado College Tigers

After becoming the second Colorado College player in three years to win the Hobey Baker Award as a junior, Marty Sertich returned for one more year with the Tigers in 2005-06. As a senior he was again named a Hobey Baker finalist. He finished his CC career with 121 assists and 182 points to rank seventh and tied for 12th, respectively, on the school's all-time charts. The 2004-

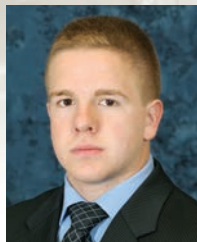
05 first-team All-American and national scoring champion played in 166 consecutive games for the Tigers without ever missing one, collecting at least one point in 108 of them, including 30 of 42 in his final campaign. He was involved in 35 game-winning goals during his four years with the team, scoring 11 and helping to set up 24. He recorded 53 multiple-point games. Marty spent his first two seasons of pro hockey with Iowa of the AHL followed by two seasons with the Lake Erie Monsters of the AHL. Sertich then played two seasons in Switzerland, followed by three seasons playing in Germany, the last two years with the Hamburg Freezers. Sertich retired after a ten-year pro career following the 2015-16 season. He formed Tradition Hockey, a youth training program based in Roseville, MN, and was named an assistant coach of the University of St. Thomas women's hockey team in 2017.



2006 — Matt Carle
University of Denver Pioneers

The two-time defending national champions didn't make it a three-peat however, their outstanding captain Matt Carle gained a boatload of awards. Finishing second in WCHA conference scoring and first in assists, Carle was named the league's Player of the Year as well as the Defensive Player of the Year – a first in league history. He was also named First Team All Star for the

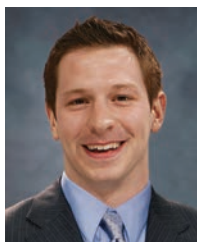
second consecutive season. Finishing with 53 points in 39 games (11-42), Carle led the nation in assists and led the nation's defensemen in points and assists. Born and raised in Anchorage, Alaska, Matt turned pro after his junior season and has been an NHL regular since, having played for San Jose, Tampa Bay, four seasons with the Philadelphia Flyers and was reacquired by Tampa in 2012 where he has spent four seasons with the Lightning. Carle signed as a free agent with Nashville in 2016 and retired from pro hockey in October. He played in 857 career NHL games and posted 327 career points in twelve NHL seasons. Matt presently works in the commercial real estate business.



2007 — Ryan Duncan
Univ. of North Dakota Fighting Sioux

It is uncommon for a collegiate player in only his sophomore season to be nominated to receive the Hobey Baker Award, and rarer still to claim the prize. North Dakota forward Ryan Duncan became only the third sophomore player in the 27 years of the Hobey to be recognized as college hockey's top player. The high scoring forward from Calgary, Alberta helped the Fighting Sioux

to their third straight NCAA Frozen Four appearance. In 43 games, the diminutive Duncan (5'8 and 155 pounds) scored 31 goals, second best in the nation, and had 26 assists for 57 points planting him fourth in the nation in scoring. Those efforts helped North Dakota to an awesome second half of the season as the Sioux completed their season on a 17-4-4 run as one of college hockey's hottest teams. Along with the Hobey, Duncan was named WCHA Player of the Year, First Team WCHA and a first team West All American. A pro hockey free agent, Duncan is a business major and a WCHA All Academic student-athlete with a 3.20 GPA. Ryan returned for his final two seasons at North Dakota and upon graduation, spent two seasons with Salzburg of the Austrian Elite League. He spent the 2011-12 season with Portland in the AHL; returned to Salzburg for the 2012-13 season; then one season with Munich in the German elite league. Duncan then finished his career with five more seasons back with Salzburg in Austria before retiring following the 2018-19 campaign.



2008 — Kevin Porter
University of Michigan Wolverines

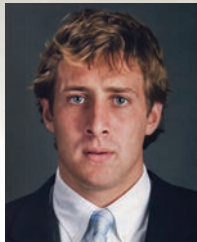
Porter is a senior forward who almost single-handedly helped Michigan to their national record 23rd Frozen Four. Last spring in two games at the East Regional, Porter had a hand in six of the seven Michigan goals bagging five goals and one assist, including four goals in a 5-1 win over Niagara. He finished second in the nation in points and goals with 33 goals, 30 assists for 63

points in 43 games. Porter was tied for second in the nation with 15 power play goals; recorded 18 multiple-point games and had a plus-minus of +33. His steady, consistent two-way play didn't go unnoticed as he was named the CCHA Player of the Year and was a finalist for the league's Best Defensive Forward. The First Team CCHA honoree was named the Hockey Commissioners January National Player of the Month. From Northville, Michigan, Porter was a draft pick of Phoenix. A General Studies major, Kevin spent time with visits to Mott Children's Hospital and volunteered for various Make-A-Wish Foundation activities. Kevin spent his first two pro seasons split between Phoenix of the NHL and San Antonio of the AHL; was traded in March 2010 to the Colorado Avalanche, playing three seasons there; signed with Buffalo as a free agent in 2012, completing two seasons in the Sabres organization. After spending the 2014-15 season with Grand Rapids of the AHL, Porter signed with the Pittsburgh Penguins and has spent the past five seasons with the organization. Porter played three seasons with Rochester in the AHL and retired from pro hockey following the 2019-20 season. He currently serves as the assistant coach of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins of the AHL.

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Kevin Porter is one of three University of Michigan Wolverines to win the Hobey Baker Award. Brendan Morrison received the award in 1997, Porter in 2008, and now Adam Fantilli is this year's award winner.



2009 — Matt Gilroy *Boston University Terriers*

Electing to forego a pro career following his junior season, Matt Gilroy returned to Boston University to complete his education, captain the BU Terriers for his senior season and play on the same team as his freshman brother Kevin. All things considered, Gilroy's decision proved monumental. Boston University's dominating season culminated with a national championship and

Matt won the school's second Hobey Baker Award (Chris Drury in 1998). The Terriers were ranked No. 1 for a large portion of the season, winning the Hockey East regular season and playoff titles. The senior defenseman produced 37 points in 45 games on 8 goals and 29 assists to finish tied for second in the nation amongst defensemen.

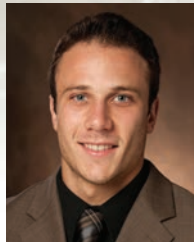
A management studies major, Matt became the first defenseman in Hockey East history to earn First Team all-star honors three times. He was also named the winner of the Walter Brown Award as the best American-born college player in New England. Initially a walk-on at BU, Gilroy concluded his career playing in 145 consecutive games. Growing up in North Bellmore, NY, Matt helps his family run a summer basketball league on Long Island, volunteers with the Autism Speaks program and was a driving force behind the "Starr of the Game" benefit to honor long-time BU booster Meryl Starr Herman. Matt wore number 97 to honor his deceased brother Timmy. Gilroy originally signed as a free agent with the New York Rangers where he spent two seasons. In the summer of 2011, he signed as a free agent with the Tampa Bay Lightning and was traded mid-season to the Ottawa Senators; spent parts of the next two seasons with the Rangers and Florida Panthers. Gilroy has moved overseas to play in the KHL, first with Moscow Oblast Atlant for one season, then two seasons with Moscow Spartak, and the 2017-18 season with Jokerit Helsinki, also of the KHL. Gilroy also played for Team USA during the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea. Matt spent the 2018-19 season playing in the Swiss A league for Rapperswil-Jona, and then retired from pro hockey.



2010 — Blake Geoffrion *Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison Badgers*

Certainly the family bloodlines don't hurt, but Blake Geoffrion established himself as one of the nation's premiere players. The tri-captain of the Badgers was a complete player and helped Wisconsin to the national championship game. Utilized in all situations, the senior forward from Brentwood, Tenn., Geoffrion skated a regular shift, received ample special teams time on both

power play and penalty killing, took key faceoffs (where he was a remarkable 59% on faceoffs) and had an amazing shooting percentage of 23%. Geoffrion was named MVP of the West Regional and overall recorded 28 goals and 22 assists in 40 games, ranking third in the nation in goal scoring and led the country with 15 power play goals. Finishing second in the WCHA scoring race and topping the conference in goals and power play goals, he was selected as a First Team all-star. And the family bloodlines? His dad Danny, granddad Bernie "Boom Boom" and his great grandpa Howie Morenz all played for the Montreal Canadiens. Boom Boom and Howie are both enshrined in the Hockey Hall of Fame and have nine Stanley Cups between them. A Consumer Science Major, Geoffrion spent time off the ice visiting UW Children's Hospital, was a mentor to a cancer patient and a Peer Leader lending assistance to UW students. He was a second-round draft pick of the Nashville Predators and spent time between Nashville and Milwaukee of the AHL; played for both teams again in 2011-12 before being traded to the Montreal Canadiens having spent time in the NHL and with Hamilton in the AHL. Geoffrion suffered a head injury 10 games into the 2012-13 season with Hamilton and has retired from hockey. Geoffrion then scouted for one season for Columbus Bluejackets before being promoted to Assistant General Manager of their AHL affiliate, the Cleveland Monsters. Blake is now working for the Korn Ferry recruitment agency.



2011 — Andy Miele *University of Miami RedHawks*

Andy Miele (pronounced mee-lee), outpaced everyone in college hockey piling up 71 points in just 39 games played, the most points in Division I hockey in eight years. His closest competitor was 11 points behind. Overall, Miele scored 24 goals and 47 assists becoming the first Miami RedHawk to win the Hobey. The senior from Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, won the CCHA

conference scoring title posting 16 goals and 40 assists for 56 points in 28 league games, an average of two points per game and the most points in conference play in 19 years. Amazingly, his 40 assists were more than the second place player had total points, a first in league history. His 47 assists in all games led the nation by six assists. Miele earned CCHA Player of the Year honors and a First Team all-star berth. He had multiple point efforts in 22 of the 39 games he played in — an incredible model of consistency. An American Studies major with a Coaching minor, Miele joined the U.S. National Team for the IIHF World Championship in Slovakia in 2011. He signed a pro contract as a free agent with the Phoenix Coyotes, then in 2014 with Grand Rapids of the AHL where he finished second in AHL scoring in 2013-14 and led Grand Rapids in scoring for the second straight year in 2015-16. Following one season in Lehigh Valley of the AHL, Miele moved to Sweden for the 2017-18 season, splitting his time between Malmo and Vaxjo HC. Miele spent the 2018-19 season playing for the Nizhny Novgorod Torpedo of the KHL before returning to North America where he played for Tucson in the AHL during the 2019-20 season. Miele once again headed overseas for his second stint with Nizhny Novgorod of the KHL for the 2020-21 campaign, played two seasons there and completed the 2021-22 season with Lausanne of the Swiss A League, then played the 2022-23 season for HV71 Jonkoping of the Swedish Hockey League.



2012 — Jack Connolly *Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Bulldogs*

As captain of the defending national champions, Jack Connolly had a fantastic season winning the WCHA scoring title, being named a First Team all-star for the third straight season and capped it off as the league's Player of the Year. A three-time All American, Connolly was second in the nation in points and assists accumulating 20 goals and 40 assists for 60 points in 41 games.

Connolly never missed a college game, having played in 166 straight. Amazingly, he was held pointless in consecutive games only twice in his illustrious four-year career and punctuated it with a team record 22-game point streak in his Hobey Baker season. Tremendous skill as a playmaking center defined Jack's game as he had an innate ability to see the ice and make smooth, intelligent puck decisions. The hometown hero is active in community endeavors helping with trash clean-up in the Adopt-A-Highway program, visiting Duluth hospitals, volunteering with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and working with various cancer fund-raisers. He was a Communications major with a 3.3 GPA. Hockey runs deep in the Connolly family as Jack's older brother Chris, was the captain and second leading scorer for Boston University the same season. Jack completed his tenth pro season in Sweden, and after playing four seasons with Rogle BK, he has spent the past five seasons with Lulea HF.

2010 award winner Blake Geoffrion's great grandfather, Howie Morenz, played center for the Montreal Canadiens in the 1920s and early 1930s and was one of the NHL's first superstars. Morenz won three Stanley Cup titles with the Canadiens and was posthumously elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in its inaugural induction class of 1945 along with Hobey Baker. In 1950, the Canadian Press named him the best ice hockey player of the first half of the 20th century. Blake's grandfather and father both played in the NHL making Blake the first fourth-generation player in NHL history.





2013 — Drew LeBlanc
St. Cloud State University Huskies

The Hobey Baker winning year for Drew LeBlanc was truly an amazing one. Following a horrific broken leg injury the prior season prompting a medical redshirt, LeBlanc returned for a fifth season to captain the Huskies. The masterful playmaking center from Hermantown, Minnesota had an outstanding season leading the nation with 37 assists in 42 games while contributing 13 goals for 50 total points (seventh in the nation). His creative playmaking skills while on offense were matched by his diligent efforts in his own defensive zone, helping St. Cloud State to a share of their first WCHA regular season title and their first ever appearance in the NCAA Frozen Four championship. LeBlanc's magical season helped him attain a first in the 52-year history of the WCHA — named both the Outstanding Student-Athlete of the Year and the WCHA Player of the Year. He took on an added academic load to complete his Math Education degree by student teaching all season long. He has been active in community outreach programs assisting new students on campus with move-ins, helping out at local hockey clinics and participating in a variety of team functions throughout his career at St. Cloud State. A pro hockey free agent, LeBlanc signed with the Chicago Blackhawks and spent two seasons with Rockford of the AHL. Drew then headed to Germany and just completed his eighth season with the Augsburg Panthers.



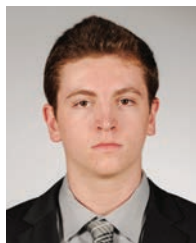
2014 — Johnny Gaudreau
Boston College Eagles

Many referred to Johnny Gaudreau (pronounced GOO-dreau), as Johnny Hockey and for a very good reason. He tore through the college hockey season averaging two points per game, putting up 80 points in 40 games to record the highest point total in Division I college hockey in 11 years. Gaudreau lit up everyone, recording points in all but two games, including a 31-game point streak to tie a Hockey East record (Paul Kariya, Maine, 1993). Two was his lucky number: two-time Hockey East scoring champion, two-time Hockey East Player of the Year, two-time all-conference, two-time First Team All American and two-time Hobey Baker hat-trick finalist. Gaudreau completed his Hobey season leading the nation in goals (36), assists (44), points (80) and was second in plus-minus (+42). He saved his best for last — in 3 NCAA playoff games, Johnny had 4 goals and 7 assists. A communications major, Gaudreau signed a professional contract with the team who drafted him, the Calgary Flames and became just the fifth player in NHL history to score a goal on his first shot in his first NHL game. Off the ice, Johnny spent time visiting elementary schools and mentoring a special needs team. In his first NHL season (2014-15), Gaudreau scored 24 goals and 40 assists in 80 games and was a finalist for the Calder Trophy as NHL Rookie of the Year. Johnny completed the 2022-23 season with the Columbus Blue Jackets after spending the previous nine seasons with the Calgary Flames. He has become one of the NHL's elite scorers.



2015 — Jack Eichel
Boston University Terriers

For the first time in 22 years, a college freshman, Jack Eichel (IKE-ul) won the coveted Hobey Baker Award. The 18-year old rookie sensation had a fantastic season leading the nation in points (71), assists (45), power play points (23) and plus-minus (+51) in 40 games. He helped his Terrier squad to a berth in the national championship game and finished the season with a flurry bagging 8 goals and 8 assists in 8 playoff games. Eichel started the season as a 17-year old, collected two goals and two assists in his first college hockey game and continued by recording points in 10 consecutive games (7 goals, 12 assists) to open his college career. A fluid, effortless skater, Eichel made everyone around him successful with his uncanny hockey sense, regularly setting up teammates. In addition to the Hobey, Jack was honored with a plethora of awards: Hockey East Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year, conference scoring champion, First Team Hockey East and a member of the All-Rookie Team, Most Valuable Player at the Hockey East playoff tournament, National Rookie of the Year by the Hockey Commissioners Association and a First Team All American by the Hockey Coaches Association. Jack is enrolled in the College of General Studies. He spends off-ice time mentoring an 11-year old brain cancer patient and helps out with the Terriers team partnership with Autism Speaks. Eichel was drafted second overall in 2015 by Buffalo and finished second in scoring on the Sabres with 24 goals and 56 points in 81 games in his rookie season. He just completed his sixth season with the Buffalo Sabres, is their team captain, and has recorded 355 points in 375 career games, elevating his status as one of the NHL's premiere players. After completing six seasons in Buffalo, Eichel was traded to the Vegas Golden Knights in November of 2021. This past season, Eichel helped lead the Golden Knights to the franchise's first Stanley Cup championship.



2016 — Jimmy Vesey
Harvard University

Returning to campus for his senior season paid off for 2016 Hobey Baker Award winner Jimmy Vesey (VEE-zee). For two straight years, the senior captain of the Crimson was a Hobey Baker Hat Trick finalist, was named ECAC Player of the Year, Ivy League Player of the Year, ECAC First Team all-conference and winner of the Walter Brown Award as the best American-born player in New England. Vesey finished the season recording 24 goals and 22 assists for 46 points in 33 games. Over the past two years, he has scored more goals than any other player in college hockey — 56, after bagging a nation's best 32 last season. It was a happy day on campus when Vesey spurned offers to turn professional in order to complete his senior year as a student-athlete. A dynamic offensive talent, Vesey was an impact player in all phases of the game and was widely recognized as the hardest worker on the team. A native of North Reading, Massachusetts, Jimmy was a Government major and has been ECAC All Academic every year. Off the ice, Vesey helped raise money for the Travis Roy Foundation and the Franciscan Hospital for Children. He was a third-round draft pick of Nashville of the NHL, but elected to test the free agent market, signing with the New York Rangers where he played for three seasons. An off-season trade sent him to Buffalo for the 2019-20 campaign. He spent the 2020-21 season starting with Toronto before being traded to Vancouver. Vesey spent 2021-22 with the New Jersey Devils, and now plays for the New York Rangers.

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2017 — Will Butcher University of Denver

Will Butcher became just the sixth defenseman in the 37 year history of the Hobey Baker Award to be so honored. The Pioneers captain described the accomplishment as “a team award,” as he helped Denver to a national championship. Equally efficient at both ends of the ice, Butcher ranked second in the nation in points by a defenseman tallying seven goals and dishing out 30 assists for 37 points in 43 games. His plus/minus of +27 ranked tied for sixth overall in the nation. Multiple conference awards highlighted his fantastic season including the NCHC Player of the Year, Offensive Defenseman of the Year, and for the second straight year, First Team all-conference. An all-academic performer in the classroom, Will completed his Bachelor’s degree in Business. He was a finalist for the nationally recognized senior CLASS award. Butcher is an avid muskie fisherman, and spends volunteer time with Hockey Saves, assisting military personal in learning and playing the game of hockey. A two-time All American, Will was a fifth round draft pick of the Colorado Avalanche (2013) but chose the free agent route in the summer of 2017 and signed a pro contract with the New Jersey Devils, tallying 44 points in 81 games in his rookie season. Will spent four seasons with the Devils as a solid play-making defenseman. He was traded to the Buffalo Sabres in 2021-22, and spent this last season with the Texas Stars where he had six goals and 37 assists.



2018 — Adam Gaudette Northeastern University

Best known as a tireless competitor, Adam Gaudette parlayed his almost 30 minutes of ice-time per game in becoming the nation’s leading scorer. Adam was joined on the top line of Northeastern University by another Hobey top ten finalist Dylan Sikura (third in the nation in scoring), as the Huskies duo terrorized goalies across the land. Gaudette powered home 30 goals, dished out 30 assists and totaled 60 points in just 38 games, averaging a national best 1.58 points per game. His passion to compete at both ends of the ice with deceptive speed, earned him multiple honors including First Team All American, Hockey East Conference Player of the Year, league scoring champion and First Team all-conference. Lethal on the power play, Gaudette sniped 11 power play goals and led the nation by recording 27 power play points. The junior forward from Braintree, Massachusetts becomes the first player from Northeastern University to win the Hobey Baker Award. A Communications major, Adam signed a pro contract with the team that drafted him, the Vancouver Canucks, foregoing his senior season. Active in several community projects, Adam assisted in children’s cancer efforts, helped Northeastern students on move-in weekend and read to elementary school students. Adam spent the better part of three seasons with the Canucks, but was traded late in the 2020-21 season to the Chicago Blackhawks. Following two seasons with the Hawks, Gaudette played the 2021-22 season with the Ottawa Senators and in July of 2022, was signed by the Toronto Maple Leafs. Near the end of the 2022-23 season, he was traded to the St. Louis Blues organization.



Denver defenseman Will Butcher capped his collegiate career by leading the Pioneers to the 2017 national title and winning the Hobey. The first Pioneer to win the Hobey was Matt Carle, who won two national championships in his three seasons playing for Denver and won the Hobey award in 2006.



2019 — Cale Makar University of Massachusetts

Known as a dynamic player equally effective at both ends of the ice, Cale Makar was named Hockey East Player of the Year and First Team all-conference, becoming the circuit’s first defenseman in 20 years to lead Hockey East in scoring. On the season, Makar had 16 goals and 33 assists for 49 points in 41 games, finishing third in the nation in points; tops amongst all defensemen and just one point back of the national lead. Makar also finished third in the nation in assists and contributed 15 points on the power play. His attention to details in all three zones led to a plus/minus of +32, which was second amongst all college hockey players.

Makar, a sophomore assistant captain from Calgary, Alberta helped guide the University of Massachusetts to several program firsts: a Hockey East regular season championship, their first ever number one national ranking and their first trip to the NCAA Frozen Four, culminating in an appearance in the national championship game. Upon conclusion of his college hockey season, Makar signed a pro contract with the Colorado Avalanche and became the first defenseman in NHL history to score a goal while making his NHL debut during the Stanley Cup playoffs. During the 2021-22 season, Makar was the second highest scoring defenseman in the NHL, won the Norris Trophy as the NHL’s top defenseman, was named the Conn Smythe Trophy winner as the MVP of the playoffs. Makar becomes the only player ever to win the Hobey, Calder Trophy (NHL Rookie of the Year), Norris Trophy, Conn Smythe and Stanley Cup. He just completed his fourth full season with the Avalanche.

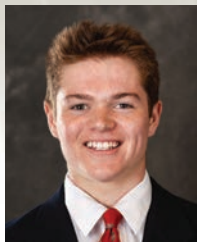


2020 — Scott Perunovich University of Minnesota Duluth

It has been an incredible run the past three seasons for Scott Perunovich (purr-roo-na-vitch). Coming off back-to-back national titles, the Bulldogs were well positioned for a three-peat led by the NCHC Player of the Year. He finished the season with six goals and 34 assists for 40 points in 34 games. Enroute, he became the first defenseman to win the regular season conference scoring title and ended up tenth overall in the nation in scoring. A tremendous playmaker, Perunovich was second in the nation in assists. Highly dangerous with the man advantage, he was tied for first in the nation in both power play points and power play assists. In addition to being named NCHC Player of the Year, Perunovich was named First Team all-conference and Offensive Defenseman of the Year – both for the third straight season. A Communications major and three-time All American, he was named national Player of the Year by College Hockey News. A draft choice of St. Louis (2nd round), he signed a pro contract with the Blues, but did not play in 2020-21 due to a pre-season injury. He split time in the 2021-22 season between St. Louis and Springfield of the AHL. Perunovich was sidelined most of the 2022-23 season after having shoulder surgery, but returned late with the Springfield Thunderbirds. He also represented Team USA at the 2023 Men’s World Championship.

Scott Perunovich led Minnesota Duluth to two consecutive national titles (2018, 2019), but did not win the Hobey Baker Award until 2020, the first year since the inception of the national tournament in 1948 that no college hockey champion was crowned due to the cancellation of the season on March 12, 2020 because of the coronavirus. In 2019, Scott played against the 2019 Hobey winner Cale Makar of UMass Amherst in the NCAA championship game.





2021 — Cole Caufield
University of Wisconsin

Known as a prolific scorer, Cole Caufield soared to the top of the national scoring charts in a pandemic shortened college hockey season. Producing 30 goals and 22 assists for 52 points in just 31 games, he led the nation in a multitude of key offensive categories: most goals; most points; most power play points (24); most power play goals (11); most shots on goal (165); most shots per game (averaging 5.3 shots per game); and averaged 1.68 points per game. The sophomore forward became the first player in the eight-year history of the Big Ten conference to win back-to-back scoring titles and was named the Big Ten's Player of the Year and First Team all-conference. Caufield's great hands and excellent shot complemented his innate ability to find open ice for quality scoring chances. The home-state product from Stevens Point, finished the season with a flurry, recording 15 multiple point games in his final 18 contests. Caufield, a first-round draft choice of the Montreal Canadiens (15th overall in 2019), elected to forgo his final two seasons of college hockey and signed a pro contract with Montreal. After a two-game stint in the American Hockey League, Caufield joined the Canadiens, helping Montreal to the Stanley Cup finals, producing four goals and eight assists in 20 NHL playoff games. His Hobey Baker campaign also included his second straight World Junior Championships appearance, helping Team USA to the 2021 gold medal. Caufield just completed his third season with the Canadiens and signed an eight year extension.



2022 — Dryden McKay
Minnesota State University

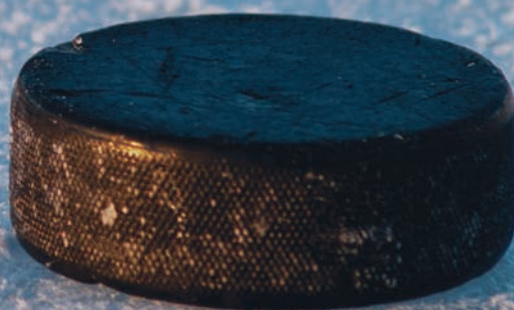
While Dryden McKay's four-year body of work as a goalie for Minnesota State University is incomparable, his senior season was nothing short of brilliant. He established two NCAA records: most wins in a season with 38 and most career shutouts with 34. Backstopping the Mavericks to two straight Frozen Four national championship tournaments, McKay concluded his senior season with a 38-5 record, a 1.31 goals against average (2nd in the nation), .931 saves percentage (7th in the nation) and for the third straight season, 10 shutouts (tied 2nd in the nation). McKay's record-breaking season included multiple honors: CCHA Player of the Year, Goalie of the Year and First Team all-conference. McKay has now earned the distinction as the conference Goaltending Champion four straight seasons along with four straight all-conference honors. Additionally, he was named an All American for the third straight season (two on First Team, one on Second Team). He became just the third goalie to win college hockey's most prestigious individual award, and was a top ten nominee three straight seasons, the past two as a Hobey Hat Trick top three finalist. McKay's technically sound play led to an 18-game winning streak going into the national championship game, allowing two or fewer goals in 34 of 43 games played. McKay signed a free agent contract with the Toronto Marlies (AHL). He spent the majority of the 2022-23 season with the Newfoundland Growlers.

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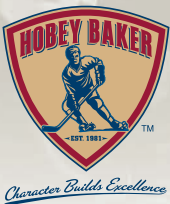


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2022 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Dryden McKay	Minnesota State University	G	Downers Grove, Illinois
Bobby Brink*	University of Denver	F	Minnetonka, Minnesota
Ben Meyers*	University of Minnesota	F	Delano, Minnesota
Matty Beniers	University of Michigan	F	Hingham, Massachusetts
Brian Halonen	Michigan Tech University	F	Delano, Minnesota
Luke Hughes	University of Michigan	D	Canton, Michigan
Devon Levi	Northeastern University	G	Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec
Yaniv Perets	Quinnipiac University	G	Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Quebec
Nathan Smith	Minnesota State University	F	Hudson, Florida
Bobby Trivigno	University of Massachusetts	F	Setauket, New York

2021 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Cole Caulfield	University of Wisconsin	F	Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Dryden McKay*	Minnesota State University	G	Downers Grove, Illinois
Shane Pinto*	University of North Dakota	F	Franklin Square, New York
Matt Boldy	Boston College	F	Millis, Massachusetts
David Farrance	Boston University	D	Victor, New York
Dylan Holloway	University of Wisconsin	F	Bragg Creek, Alberta
Spencer Knight	Boston College	G	Darien, Connecticut
Jack LaFontaine	University of Minnesota	G	Mississauga, Ontario
Keith Petruzzelli	Quinnipiac University	G	Wilbraham, Massachusetts
Odeen Tufto	Quinnipiac University	F	Chaska, Minnesota

2020 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Scott Perunovich	University of Minnesota Duluth	D	Hibbing, Minnesota
Jordan Kawaguchi*	University of North Dakota	F	Abbotsford, British Columbia
Jeremy Swayman*	University of Maine	G	Anchorage, Alaska
Morgan Barron	Cornell University	F	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Jason Cotton	Sacred Heart University	F	Parker, Texas
Jack Dugan	Providence College	F	Rochester, New York
David Farrance	Boston University	D	Victor, New York
John Leonard	University of Massachusetts	F	Amherst, Massachusetts
Dryden McKay	Minnesota State University	G	Downers Grove, Illinois
Marc Michaelis	Minnesota State University	F	Mannheim, Germany

2019 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Cale Makar	University of Massachusetts	D	Calgary, Alberta
Adam Fox*	Harvard University	D	Jericho, New York
Jimmy Schuldt*	St. Cloud State University	D	Minnetonka, Minnesota
Joe Duszak	Mercyhurst University	D	Franklin Square, New York
Taro Hirose	Michigan State University	F	Calgary, Alberta
Quinn Hughes	University of Michigan	D	Orlando, Florida
Mason Jobst	Ohio State University	F	Speedway, Indiana
Patrick Newell	St. Cloud State University	F	Thousand Oaks, California
Chase Priskie	Quinnipiac University	D	Pembroke Pines, Florida
Nico Sturm	Clarkson University	F	Augsburg, Germany

2018 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Adam Gaudette	Northeastern University	F	Braintree, Massachusetts
Henrik Borgström*	University of Denver	F	Helsinki, Finland
Ryan Donato*	Harvard University	F	Boston, Massachusetts
Matthew Galajda	Cornell University	G	Aurora, Ontario
Dylan McLaughlin	Canisius College	F	Lancaster, New York
Cale Morris	University of Notre Dame	G	Larkspur, Colorado
Colton Point	Colgate University	G	North Bay, Ontario
Jimmy Schuldt	St. Cloud State University	D	Minnetonka, Minnesota
Dylan Sikura	Northeastern University	F	Aurora, Ontario
C.J. Suess	Minnesota State University	F	Forest Lake, Minnesota

2017 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Will Butcher	University of Denver	D	Sun Prairie, Wisconsin
Zach Aston-Reese*	Northeastern University	F	Staten Island, New York
Mike Vecchione*	Union College	F	Saugus, Massachusetts
Michael Bitzer	Bemidji State University	G	Moorhead, Minnesota
Anders Bjork	University of Notre Dame	F	Mequon, Wisconsin
Spencer Foo	Union College	F	Edmonton, Alberta
Tyler Kelleher	University of New Hampshire	F	Longmeadow, Massachusetts
Alexander Kerfoot	Harvard University	F	West Vancouver, B.C.
Tyler Sheehy	University of Minnesota	F	Burnsville, Minnesota
Charles Williams	Canisius College	G	Canton, Michigan

2016 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jimmy Vesey	Harvard University	F	North Reading, Mass.
Kyle Connor*	University of Michigan	G	Shelby Township, Michigan
Thatcher Demko*	Boston College	F	San Diego, California
JT Compher	University of Michigan	F	Northbrook, Illinois
Zac Lynch	Robert Morris University	F	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Alex Lyon	Yale University	G	Baudette, Minnesota
Tyler Motte	University of Michigan	F	St. Clair, Michigan
Alex Petan	Michigan Tech University	F	Delta, British Columbia
Andrew Poturalski	University of New Hampshire	F	Williamsville, New York
Ethan Prow	St. Cloud State University	D	Sauk Rapids, Minnesota

2015 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jack Eichel	Boston University	F	North Chelmsford, Mass.
Zane McIntyre*	University of North Dakota	G	Thief River Falls, Minnesota
Jimmy Vesey*	Harvard University	F	North Reading, Massachusetts
Daniel Ciampini	Union College	F	Concord, Ontario
Matt Garbowsky	Rochester Institute of Technology	F	St. George, Ontario
Zach Hyman	University of Michigan	F	Toronto, Ontario
Tanner Kero	Michigan Tech University	F	Hancock, Michigan
Joey LaLeggia	University of Denver	D	Burnaby, British Columbia
Mike Reilly	University of Minnesota	D	Chanhassen, Minnesota
Cody Wydo	Robert Morris University	F	Southgate, Michigan

2014 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Johnny Gaudreau	Boston College	F	Carneys Point, New Jersey
Greg Carey*	St. Lawrence University	F	Hamilton, Ontario
Nic Dowd*	St. Cloud State University	F	Huntsville, Alabama
Josh Archibald	University of Nebraska-Omaha	F	Brainerd, Minnesota
Ryan Dzingel	Ohio State University	F	Wheaton, Illinois
Shayne Gostisbehere	Union College	D	Margate, Florida
Kevin Hayes	Boston College	F	Dorchester, Massachusetts
CJ Motte	Ferris State University	G	St. Clair, Michigan
Joel Rumpel	University of Wisconsin	F	Swift Current, Saskatchewan
Adam Wilcox	University of Minnesota	G	South St. Paul, Minnesota

2013 ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Drew LeBlanc	St. Cloud State University	F	Hermantown, Minnesota
Johnny Gaudreau*	Boston College	F	Carneys Point, New Jersey
Eric Hartzell*	Quinnipiac University	G	White Bear Lake, Minnesota
Greg Carey	St. Lawrence University	F	Hamilton, Ontario
Carsen Chubak	Niagara University	G	Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
Austin Czarnik	Miami University	F	Washington, Michigan
Kyle Flanagan	St. Lawrence University	F	Canton, New York
Corban Knight	University of North Dakota	F	High River, Alberta
Danny Kristo	University of North Dakota	F	Eden Prairie, Minnesota
Ryan Walters	University of Nebraska-Omaha	F	Rosemount, Minnesota

* Runner-up

2012 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jack Connolly	University of Minnesota Duluth	F	Duluth, Minnesota
Spencer Abbott*	University of Maine	F	Hamilton, Ontario
Austin Smith*	Colgate University	F	Dallas, Texas
Brian Dumoulin	Boston College	D	Biddeford, Maine
Troy Grosenick	Union College	G	Brookfield, Wisconsin
Shawn Hunwick	University of Michigan	G	Sterling Heights, Michigan
Tim Kirby	Air Force Academy	D	Austin, Minnesota
Torey Krug	Michigan State University	D	Livonia, Michigan
Justin Schultz	University of Wisconsin	D	West Kelowna, B. C.
Reilly Smith	Miami University	F	Mimico, Ontario

2011 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Andy Miele	Miami University	F	Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
Cam Atkinson*	Boston College	F	Greenwich, Connecticut
Matt Frattin*	University of North Dakota	F	Edmonton, Alberta
Carter Camper	Miami University	F	Rocky River, Ohio
Jack Connolly	University of Minnesota Duluth	F	Duluth, Minnesota
Gustav Nyquist	University of Maine	F	Malmö, Sweden
Chase Polacek	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Edina, Minnesota
Justin Schultz	University of Wisconsin	D	West Kelowna, B. C.
Paul Thompson	University of New Hampshire	F	Derry, New Hampshire
Paul Zanette	Niagara University	F	Nobleton, Ontario

2010 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Blake Geoffrion	University of Wisconsin	F	Brentwood, Tennessee
Bobby Butler*	University of New Hampshire	F	Marlboro, Massachusetts
Gustav Nyquist*	University of Maine	F	Malmö, Sweden
Marc Cheverie	University of Denver	G	Cole Harbor, Nova Scotia
Mark Olver	Northern Michigan University	F	Burnaby, British Columbia
Chase Polacek	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Edina, Minnesota
Rhett Rakhshani	University of Denver	F	Huntington Beach, California
Cody Reichard	Miami University	G	Celina, Ohio
Ben Scrivens	Cornell University	G	Spruce Grove, Alberta
Brendan Smith	University of Wisconsin	D	Mimico, Ontario

2009 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Matt Gilroy	Boston University	D	North Bellmore, New York
Brad Thiessen*	Northeastern University	G	Aldergrove, British Columbia
Colin Wilson*	Boston University	F	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Louie Caporusso	University of Michigan	F	Woodbridge, Ontario
Chad Johnson	University of Alaska Fairbanks	G	Calgary, Alberta
Zane Kalembe	Princeton University	G	Saddle Brook, New Jersey
Jacques Lamoureux	Air Force Academy	F	Grand Forks, North Dakota
Jamie McBain	University of Wisconsin	D	Faribault, Minnesota
David McIntyre	Colgate University	F	Pefferlaw, Ontario
Viktor Stalberg	University of Vermont	F	Gothenberg, Sweden

2008 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Kevin Porter	University of Michigan	F	Northville, Michigan
Nathan Gerbe*	Boston College	F	Oxford, Michigan
Ryan Jones*	Miami University	F	Chatham, Ontario
Lee Jubinville	Princeton University	F	Edmonton, Alberta
Simon Lambert	Rochester Institute of Technology	F	St. Therese, Quebec
Jean-Philippe Lamoureux	University of North Dakota	G	Grand Forks, North Dakota
Ryan Lasch	St. Cloud State University	F	Lake Forest, California
Jeff Lerg	Michigan State University	G	Livonia, Michigan
T. J. Oshie	University of North Dakota	F	Warroad, Minnesota
Kevin Regan	University of New Hampshire	G	South Boston, Massachusetts

* Runner-up

2007 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Ryan Duncan	University of North Dakota	F	Calgary, Alberta
David Brown*	University of Notre Dame	G	Stoney Creek, Ontario
Eric Ehn*	Air Force Academy	F	Dexter, Michigan
Drew Bagnall	St. Lawrence University	D	Oakbank, Manitoba
John Curry	Boston University	G	Shorewood, Minnesota
Nathan Davis	Miami University	F	Rocky River, Ohio
Bobby Goepfert	St. Cloud State University	G	Kings Park, New York
T. J. Hensick	University of Michigan	F	Howell, Michigan
David Jones	Dartmouth College	F	North Vancouver, B. C.
Scott Parse	University of Nebraska-Omaha	F	Portage, Michigan

2006 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Matt Carle	University of Denver	D	Anchorage, Alaska
Chris Collins*	Boston College	G	Fairport, New York
Brian Elliott*	University of Wisconsin	F	Newmarket, Ontario
Andy Greene	Miami University	D	Trenton, Michigan
Greg Moore	University of Maine	F	Lisbon, Maine
Scott Parse	University of Nebraska-Omaha	F	Portage, Michigan
Ryan Potulny	University of Minnesota	F	Grand Forks, North Dakota
Marty Sertich	Colorado College	F	Roseville, Minnesota
Brett Sterling	Colorado College	F	Pasadena, California
T.J. Trevelyan	St. Lawrence University	F	Mississauga, Ontario

2005 ★

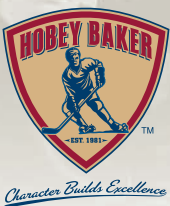
Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Marty Sertich	Colorado College	F	Roseville, Minnesota
David McKee*	Cornell University	G	Irving, Texas
Brett Sterling*	Colorado College	F	Pasadena, California
Reid Cashman	Quinnipiac University	D	Red Wing, Minnesota
Patrick Eaves	Boston College	F	Faribault, Minnesota
Dov Grumet-Morris	Harvard University	G	Evanston, Illinois
T.J. Hensick	University of Michigan	F	Howell, Michigan
Colin Murphy	Michigan Tech University	F	Fort McMurray, Alberta
Jordan Sigalet	Bowling Green State University	G	Surrey, British Columbia
Tuomas Tarkki	Northern Michigan University	G	Rauma, Finland

2004 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Junior Lessard	University of Minnesota Duluth	F	St. Joseph deBeauce, Quebec
Yann Danis*	Brown University	G	Saint Jerome, Quebec
Zach Parise*	University of North Dakota	F	Faribault, Minnesota
Keith Ballard	University of Minnesota	D	Baudette, Minnesota
Brandon Bochenski	University of North Dakota	F	Blaine, Minnesota
Derek Edwardson	Miami University	F	Morton Grove, Illinois
Thomas Pöck	University of Massachusetts-Amherst	D	Klagenfurt, Austria
Steve Saviano	University of New Hampshire	F	Reading, Massachusetts
Jim Slater	Michigan State University	F	Lapeer, Michigan
Tony Voce	Boston College	F	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

2003 ★

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Peter Sejna	Colorado College	F	Liptovsky Mikulas, Slovakia
Chris Kunitz*	Ferris State University	F	Regina, Saskatchewan
Dave LeNeveu*	Cornell University	G	Fernie, British Columbia
Ben Eaves	Boston College	F	Faribault, Minnesota
Chris Higgins	Yale University	F	Smithtown, New York
John-Michael Liles	Michigan State University	D	Zionsville, Indiana
Zach Parise	University of North Dakota	F	Faribault, Minnesota
Tom Preissing	Colorado College	D	Rosemount, Minnesota
Joe Tallari	Niagara University	F	Thunder Bay, Ontario
R.J. Umberger	Ohio State University	F	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



FINALISTS 1981-2022

2002

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jordan Leopold	University of Minnesota	D	Golden Valley, Minnesota
Mark Hartigan*	St. Cloud State University	F	Fort St. John, British Columbia
Darren Haydar*	University of New Hampshire	F	Milton, Ontario
Ryan Carter	Iona College	F	Ft. Nelson, British Columbia
Marc Cavosie	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Cohoes, New York
Rob Collins	Ferris State University	F	Kitchener, Ontario
Wade Dubielewicz	University of Denver	G	Invermere, British Columbia
Jim Fahey	Northeastern University	D	Milton, Massachusetts
Ryan Miller	Michigan State University	G	East Lansing, Michigan
Doug Murray	Cornell University	D	Dromma, Sweden

2001

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Ryan Miller	Michigan State University	G	East Lansing, Michigan
Brian Gionta*	Boston College	F	Rochester, New York
Jeff Panzer*	University of North Dakota	F	Grand Forks, North Dakota
Erik Anderson	St. Lawrence University	F	Plymouth, Michigan
Ty Conklin	University of New Hampshire	G	Anchorage, Alaska
Jeff Hamilton	Yale University	F	Englewood, Ohio
Dany Heatley	University of Wisconsin	F	Calgary, Alberta
Andy Hilbert	University of Michigan	F	Howell, Michigan
Kent Huskins	Clarkson University	D	Almonte, Ontario
Jordan Leopold	University of Minnesota	D	Golden Valley, Minnesota

2000

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Mike Mottau	Boston College	D	Quincy, Massachusetts
Steve Reinprecht*	University of Wisconsin	F	Edmonton, Alberta
Mike Comrie	University of Michigan	F	Edmonton, Alberta
Ty Conklin	University of New Hampshire	G	Anchorage, Alaska
Jeff Farkas	Boston College	F	Williamsville, New York
Brian Gionta	Boston College	F	Rochester, New York
Shawn Horcoff	Michigan State University	F	Castlegar, British Columbia
Joel Laing	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	G	Maryfield, Saskatchewan
Andy McDonald	Colgate University	F	Strathroy, Ontario
Jeff Panzer	University of North Dakota	F	Grand Forks, North Dakota

1999

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jason Krog	University of New Hampshire	F	Fernie, British Columbia
Mike York*	Michigan State University	F	Waterford, Michigan
Jason Blake	University of North Dakota	F	Moorhead, Minnesota
Hugo Boisvert	Ohio State University	F	St. Eustache, Quebec
Brian Gionta	Boston College	F	Rochester, New York
Jeff Hamilton	Yale University	F	Englewood, Ohio
Eric Heffler	St. Lawrence University	G	Williamsville, New York
Steve Kariya	University of Maine	F	North Vancouver, B.C.
Michel Larocque	Boston University	G	Dieppe, New Brunswick
Brian Swanson	Colorado College	F	Eagle River, Alaska

1998

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Chris Drury	Boston University	F	Trumbull, Connecticut
Chad Alban*	Michigan State University	G	Kalamazoo, Michigan
Dan Boyle	Miami University	D	Ottawa, Ontario
Ray Giroux	Yale University	D	North Bay, Ontario
Eric Healey	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Hull, Massachusetts
Jason Krog	University of New Hampshire	F	Fernie, British Columbia
Mark Mowers	University of New Hampshire	F	Whitesboro, New York
Bill Muckalt	University of Michigan	F	Williams Lake, British Columbia
Curtis Murphy	University of North Dakota	D	Kerobert, Saskatchewan
Mike York	Michigan State University	F	Waterford, Michigan

1997

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Brendan Morrison	University of Michigan	F	Pitt Meadows, B.C.
Chris Drury*	Boston University	F	Trumbull, Connecticut
Jason Blake	University of North Dakota	F	Moorhead, Minnesota
Mike Crowley	University of Minnesota	D	Bloomington, Minnesota
Mike Harder	Colgate University	F	St. Adolphe, Manitoba
John Madden	University of Michigan	F	Barrie, Ontario
Randy Robitaille	Miami University	F	Nepean, Ontario
Martin St. Louis	University of Vermont	F	Laval, Quebec
Brian Swanson	Colorado College	F	Eagle River, Alaska
Todd White	Clarkson University	F	Kanata, Ontario

1996

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Brian Bonin	University of Minnesota	F	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Jay Pandolfo*	Boston University	D	Burlington, Massachusetts
Keith Aldridge	Lake Superior State University	F	Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
Mike Crowley	University of Minnesota	D	Bloomington, Minnesota
Chris Drury	Boston University	F	Trumbull, Connecticut
Peter Geronazzo	Colorado College	F	Trail, British Columbia
Brendan Morrison	University of Michigan	F	Pitt Meadows, British Columbia
Burke Murphy	Saint Lawrence University	F	Gloucester, Ontario
Eric Perrin	University of Vermont	F	Laval, Quebec
Martin St. Louis	University of Vermont	F	Laval, Quebec

1995

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Brian Holzinger	Bowling Green State University	F	Parma, Ohio
Chris Imes*	University of Maine	D	Birchdale, Minnesota
Brian Bonin	University of Minnesota	F	White Bear Lake, Minnesota
Greg Bullock	Univ. of Massachusetts-Lowell	F	Cambridge, Ontario
Anson Carter	Michigan State University	F	Scarborough, Ontario
Mike Grier	Boston University	F	Holliston, Massachusetts
Jay McNeill	Colorado College	F	Cranbrook, British Columbia
Brendan Morrison	University of Michigan	F	Pitt Meadows, British Columbia
Brian Mueller	Clarkson University	D	Liverpool, New York
Martin St. Louis	University of Vermont	F	Laval, Quebec

1994

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Chris Marinucci	Univ. of Minnesota Duluth	F	Grand Rapids, Minnesota
Craig Conroy*	Clarkson University	F	Potsdam, New York
Dean Fedorchuk	Univ. of Alaska Fairbanks	F	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Neil Little	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	G	Medicine Hat, Alberta
Sean McCann	Harvard University	D	North York, Ontario
David Oliver	University of Michigan	F	Courtenay, British Columbia
Jamie Ram	Michigan Technological Univ.	G	Scarborough, Ontario
Dwayne Roloson	Univ. of Massachusetts-Lowell	G	Simcoe, Ontario
Steve Shields	University of Michigan	G	North Bay, Ontario
Brian Wiseman	University of Michigan	F	Chatham, Ontario

1993

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Paul Kariya	University of Maine	F	North Vancouver, B.C.
Greg Johnson*	University of North Dakota	F	Thunder Bay, Ontario
Ted Drury	Harvard University	F	Trumbull, Connecticut
Mark Kaufmann	Yale University	F	West Vancouver, B.C.
Jim Montgomery	University of Maine	F	Montreal, Quebec
Derek Plante	Univ. of Minnesota Duluth	F	Cloquet, Minnesota
Brian Rolston	Lake Superior State University	F	Ann Arbor, Michigan
David Sacco	Boston University	F	Medford, Massachusetts
Brian Savage	Miami University	F	Sudbury, Ontario
Bryan Smolinski	Michigan State University	F	Genoa, Ohio

* Runner-up



Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
1992 ★			
Scott Pellerin	University of Maine	F	Shediac, New Brunswick
Daniel Laperriere*	Saint Lawrence University	D	Laval, Quebec
Scott Beattie	Northern Michigan University	F	Kimberly, British Columbia
Duane Derksen	University of Wisconsin	G	Morden, Manitoba
Denny Felsner	University of Michigan	F	Mount Clemens, Michigan
Rob Gaudreau	Providence College	D	Cranston, Rhode Island
Greg Johnson	University of North Dakota	F	Thunder Bay, Ontario
Darrin Madeley	Lake Superior State University	G	Holland Landing, Ontario
Larry Olimb	University of Minnesota	F	Warroad, Minnesota
Jean-Yves Roy	University of Maine	F	Rosemere, Ontario

1991 ★			
David Emma	Boston College	F	Cranston, Rhode Island
Brad Werenka*	Northern Michigan University	D	Two Hills, Alberta
Scott Beattie	Northern Michigan University	F	Kimberly, British Columbia
Peter Ciavaglia	Harvard University	F	Snyder, New York
Jim Dowd	Lake Superior State University	F	Bricktown, New Jersey
Denny Felsner	University of Michigan	F	Mount Clemens, Michigan
Greg Johnson	University of North Dakota	F	Thunder Bay, Ontario
Joe Juneau	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Pont Rouge, Quebec
Shawn McEachern	Boston University	F	Waltham, Massachusetts
Jean-Yves Roy	University of Maine	F	Rosemere, Ontario

1990 ★			
Kip Miller	Michigan State University	F	Lansing, Michigan
Greg Brown*	Boston College	D	Southboro, Massachusetts
Rick Bennett	Providence College	F	Springfield, Massachusetts
Rob Blake	Bowling Green State University	D	Simcoe, Ontario
Nelson Emerson	Bowling Green State University	F	Waterford, Ontario
David Emma	Boston College	F	Cranston, Rhode Island
Dave Gagnon	Colgate University	G	Essex, Ontario
Joe Juneau	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Pont Rouge, Quebec
Russ Parent	University of North Dakota	D	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Dave Shields	University of Denver	F	Calgary, Alberta

1989 ★			
Lane MacDonald	Harvard University	F	Mequon, Wisconsin
Robb Stauber*	University of Minnesota	G	Duluth, Minnesota
Allen Bourbeau	Harvard University	F	Teaticket, Massachusetts
Greg Brown	Boston College	D	Southboro, Massachusetts
David Capuano	University of Maine	F	Cranston, Rhode Island
Nelson Emerson	Bowling Green State University	F	Waterford, Ontario
Bruce Hoffort	Lake Superior State University	G	North Battleford, Saskatchewan
Kip Miller	Michigan State University	F	Lansing, Michigan
Bobby Reynolds	Michigan State University	F	Fenton, Michigan
Tim Sweeney	Boston College	F	N. Weymouth, Massachusetts

1988 ★			
Robb Stauber	University of Minnesota	G	Duluth, Minnesota
Mark Vermette*	Lake Superior State University	F	Cochonour, Ontario
Phil Berger	Northern Michigan University	F	Dearborn, Michigan
Rejean Boivin	Colgate University	F	Ste-Foy, Quebec
David Capuano	University of Maine	F	Cranston, Rhode Island
Nelson Emerson	Bowling Green State Univ.	F	Waterford, Ontario
Mike Golden	University of Maine	F	Reading, Massachusetts
Steve Johnson	University of North Dakota	F	Grand Forks, North Dakota
Pete Lappin	Saint Lawrence University	F	St. Charles, Illinois
Paul Ranheim	University of Wisconsin	F	Edina, Minnesota

* Runner-up

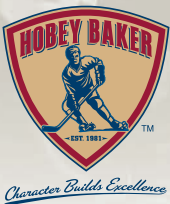
Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
1987 ★			
Tony Hrkac	University of North Dakota	F	Thunder Bay, Ontario
Wayne Gagne*	Western Michigan University	D	Toronto, Ontario
John Cullen	Boston University	F	Puslinch, Ontario
Gary Emmons	Northern Michigan University	F	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Tony Granato	University of Wisconsin	F	Downers Grove, Illinois
Craig Janney	Boston College	F	Enfield, Connecticut
Brian Leetch	Boston College	D	Cheshire, Connecticut
Lane MacDonald	Harvard University	F	Mequon, Wisconsin
Joe Nieuwendyk	Cornell University	F	Whitby, Ontario
Tom Sasso	Babson College	F	Everett, Massachusetts

1986 ★			
Scott Fusco	Harvard University	F	Burlington, Massachusetts
Dan Dorion*	Western Michigan University	F	Astoria, New York
Mike Donnelly	Michigan State University	F	Livonia, Michigan
Gary Emmons	Northern Michigan University	F	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Dallas Gaume	University of Denver	F	Innisfail, Alberta
Scott Harlow	Boston College	F	East Bridgewater, Mass.
Brett Hull	Univ. of Minnesota Duluth	F	West Vancouver, B.C.
Norm Maciver	Univ. of Minnesota Duluth	D	Thunder Bay, Ontario
Scott Sandelin	University of North Dakota	D	Hibbing, Minnesota
Chris Terreri	Providence College	G	Warwick, Rhode Island

1985 ★			
Bill Watson	University of Minnesota Duluth	F	Powerview, Manitoba
Scott Fusco*	Harvard University	F	Burlington, Massachusetts
Tim Army	Providence College	F	East Providence, Rhode Island
Dave Fretz	Clarkson University	D	Toronto, Ontario
Hubie McDonough	Saint Anselm College	F	Manchester, New Hampshire
Pat Micheletti	University of Minnesota	F	Hibbing, Minnesota
Kelly Miller	Michigan State University	F	Lansing, Michigan
Adam Oates	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	F	Schomberg, Ontario
Craig Simpson	Michigan State University	F	London, Ontario
Ray Staszak	University of Illinois-Chicago	F	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

1984 ★			
Tom Kurvers	University of Minnesota Duluth	D	Bloomington, Minnesota
Cleon Daskalakis*	Boston University	G	Canton, Massachusetts
Jon Casey	University of North Dakota	G	Grand Rapids, Minnesota
Paul Donato	Babson College	F	Arlington, Massachusetts
Dan Dorion	Western Michigan University	F	Astoria, New York
Gates Orlando	Providence College	F	LaSalle, Quebec
Joel Otto	Bemidji State University	F	Elk River, Minnesota
Paul Pooley	Ohio State University	F	Exeter, Ontario
Jean Roy	Bowdoin College	D	Lewiston, Maine
Steve Smith	Colgate University	F	Peterborough, Ontario

1983 ★			
Mark Fusco	Harvard University	D	Burlington, Massachusetts
Randy Velischek*	Providence College	D	Montreal, Quebec
Scott Bjugstad	University of Minnesota	F	New Brighton, Minnesota
Bob Brooke	Yale University	F	West Acton, Massachusetts
Mike Carr	University of Massachusetts-Lowell	F	Burlington, Ontario
Bryan Erickson	University of Minnesota	F	Roseau, Minnesota
Brian Hills	Bowling Green State University	F	Windsor, Ontario
Kurt Kleinendorst	Providence College	F	Grand Rapids, Minnesota
James Patrick	University of North Dakota	D	Winnipeg, Manitoba
Ron Scott	Michigan State University	G	Guelph, Ontario



FINALISTS 1981-2022

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
1982 ★			
George McPhee	Bowling Green State University	F	Guelph, Ontario
Ron Scott*	Michigan State University	G	Guelph, Ontario
Ed Beers	University of Denver	F	Merritt, British Columbia
Steve Cruickshank	Clarkson University	F	Mississauga, Ontario
Bryan Erickson	University of Minnesota	F	Roseau, Minnesota
Brian Hills	Bowling Green State University	F	Windsor, Ontario
Paul Lohnes	University of Massachusetts-Lowell	D	Woburn, Massachusetts
Kirk McCaskill	University of Vermont	F	Phoenix, Arizona
John Newberry	University of Wisconsin	F	Victoria, British Columbia
Dave Poulin	University of Notre Dame	F	Mississauga, Ontario

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
1981 ★			
Neal Broten	University of Minnesota	F	Roseau, Minnesota
Steve Ulseth*	University of Minnesota	F	Roseville, Minnesota
Sandy Beadle	Northeastern University	F	Regina, Saskatchewan
Steve Bozek	Northern Michigan University	F	Castlegar, British Columbia
Steve Carroll	Mankato State University	G	Edina, Minnesota
Mark Hentges	College of Saint Thomas	F	New Hope, Minnesota
Tom Lawler	Merrimack College	F	Andover, Massachusetts
Bill Provencher	Bowdoin College	G	Lewiston, Maine
Ed Small	Clarkson College	D	Ottawa, Ontario
Rick Strack	SUNY-Plattsburgh	G	Lake Placid, New York

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LOOKING BACK AT LAST YEAR'S BANQUET



Award recipient Dryden McKay was joined by his parents, Chris and Ross McKay, a former professional goaltender.



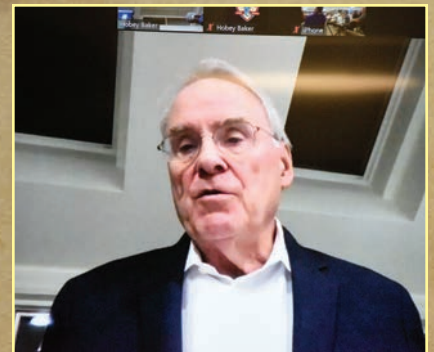
Dryden McKay accepted the Hobey Baker Memorial Award trophy as the top college hockey player in the nation for 2022.



The award trophy was presented to Dryden McKay by 2022 Award Committee Chairman Joe Santarelli.



Minnesota State University Head Coach Mike Hastings shared comments on McKay's collegiate career.



Montreal Canadiens great Ken Dryden made a live video guest appearance to congratulate Dryden McKay on his award.



McKay was joined by past award recipients Marty Sertich, Jordan Leopold, and Brian Bonin.



Guests enjoyed a delicious meal followed by the Award presentation and an acceptance speech by winner Dryden McKay.



Jostens representative Bethany Boelter presented Dryden McKay with his commemorative ring, a keepsake awarded to each award recipient.



As hosts of the annual banquet, Minnesota Wild color analyst Ryan Carter welcomed attendees.



Former head coach Gino Gasparini at the University of North Dakota was presented with the 2022 Legend of College Hockey Award.

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