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Southern Maine's Ashley Marble Named 2007 ECAC Division III Women’s New England Basketball Player of the Year

Cape Cod, Massachusetts -- The Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) has announced the 2007 Division III Women's New England Basketball All-Star team. The University of Southern Maine's senior forward Ashley Marble has been tabbed as the ECAC Division III Women's New England Player of the Year by a vote of ECAC coaches. Marble, the ESPN the Magazine/CoSIDA Women's Basketball Academic All-American of the Year and Women's DIII News Player of the Year led the Huskies to a 27-3 overall record. The D3hoops.com National Player of the Year averaged 23.1 points and 12.2 rebounds per game.

Tommia Davis, a freshman forward from Emmanuel College has been tabbed the 2007 ECAC Division III Women's New England Rookie of the Year. Davis averaged 10.5 points and 6.8 rebounds per game helping the Saints post a 29-2 mark on the year.

Eileen Flaherty, the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Player of the Year earns a spot on the First Team. The Bowdoin College senior forward was recently named the State Farm/Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) NCAA Division III Player of the Year. Flaherty averaged 18.5 points and 6.7 rebounds per game leading the Polar Bears to the NCAA Regional Finals.

Maine Maritime Academy's Alyssa Burns also earns a spot on the team. The North Atlantic Conference Player of the Year led the Mariners to a 25-4 mark and the NCAA First Round. Burns averaged 17.1 points per game while shooting 54 percent from the field.

Williams senior forward, Maggie Miller, also has been named to the First Team. Miller, a Kodak/WBCA All-American Honorable Mention led the Ephs in points per game with 15.7, blocks with 59 and steals with 48. She helped lead Williams to a 20-7 mark and a trip to the NCAAA tournament.

Jade Perez of Emmanuel College rounds out the First Team. The Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) Player of the Year, led the Saints in scoring with 12.1 points per game while dishing out 4.0 assists per contest. Paez was a D3hoops.com All-American Honorable Mention this year.

In 2006-2007, the ECAC honored more than 65 women's basketball players during the winter months. The Conference also hosted four Division III championships in the regions of New England, Southern, Upstate and Metro. The ECAC's membership includes 320 Divisions I, II, and III colleges and universities from Maine to Georgia and westerly to Ohio. The conference provides services to its constituents that include the administration of 98 championships and events in 32 men's and women's sports. The ECAC honors more than 3,000 student-athletes during the academic year through its all-star and player of the week program. Each week of the winter season, the conference has recognized five women's basketball athletes in Divisions II and III.