

# COLLEGE HOCKEY'S NHL IMPACT RECEIVES TOP MARKS

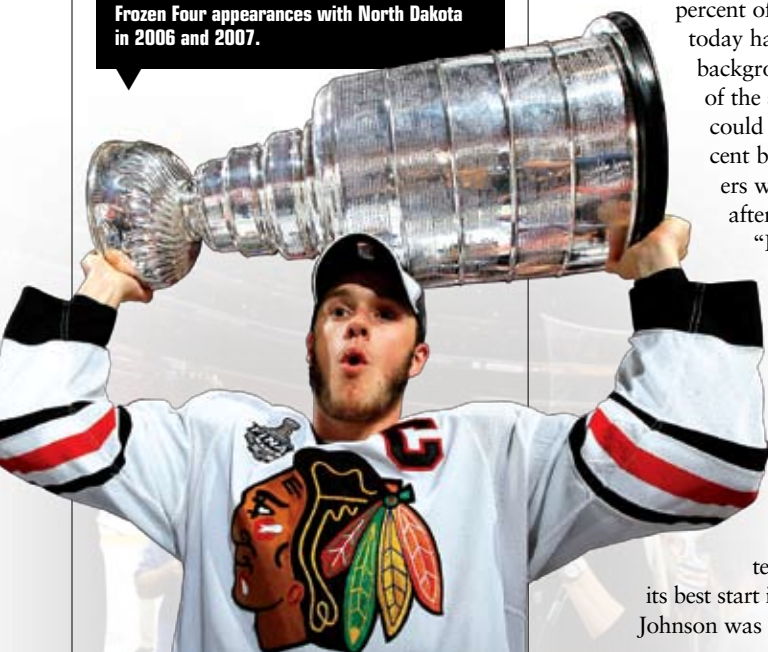
**T**HEY WOULD SAY HE HAD A 'CAREER YEAR' if college hockey was a player.

Consider calendar year 2010: the captain's honor of raising the Stanley Cup went to a former college player for the second time, the MVP, Best Goaltender, Best Forward and Best Defenseman at the Vancouver Olympics were all college alums, the NHL Awards in Las Vegas saw ex-collegians claim the Vezina, Norris, Lady Byng and Conn Smythe trophies, while nearly 250,000 fans will have attended just four big stage events, including the *NCAA Men's Frozen Four* in Detroit and the Dec. 11 *Big Chill at the Big House* at Michigan Stadium.

When USA won the gold medal at the World Junior Championships last winter, there were 11 college players on the roster, plus Jason Zucker, who is now playing college hockey at Denver.

"To me the growth of college hockey parallels the growth of hockey in the United States," said St. Louis Blues gen-

**JONATHAN TOEWS made back-to-back Frozen Four appearances with North Dakota in 2006 and 2007.**



eral manager Doug Armstrong. "In places like Texas, California and Missouri players are now growing up thinking about NCAA hockey. That's how they think. I think college hockey is only going to grow from here."

Today, there are 11 top NHL executives with college hockey backgrounds: Toronto's Brian Burke (Providence), New Jersey's Lou Lamoriello (Providence), Atlanta's Don Waddell (Northern Michigan), Pittsburgh's Ray Shero (St. Lawrence), New York Islanders' Garth Snow (Maine), Nashville's David Poile (Northeastern), Washington's George McPhee (Bowling Green), Philadelphia's Paul Holmgren (Minnesota), Boston's Peter Chiarelli (Harvard), Los Angeles' Dean Lombardi (New Haven) and Dallas' Joe Nieuwendyk (Cornell).

"What we have (in that group) are some former players who put the business side at the forefront," Waddell said. "Today hockey has become such a big business, that helps."

According to NHL statistics, 27.5 percent of all NHL players today have college hockey backgrounds. By the end of the season that number could be closer to 29 percent because college players will join NHL teams after their seasons.

"I think what this means is that college hockey has become a more realistic option for playing in the NHL," said defenseman Jack Johnson, a key player on a Los Angeles Kings team that is enjoying its best start in 20 years. Johnson was coveted by junior



**RYAN MILLER captured the Hobey Baker Memorial Award in 2000 as college hockey's most outstanding player with Michigan State.**

programs, but always had his mind made up that he would be a college player.

"Just in case hockey didn't work out, I wanted a plan B," Johnson said. "It is important in anything you do in life to have a Plan B, and a degree is a good Plan B."

Of course, Plan A also turned out just fine for former college players who were front and center onstage at the 2010 NHL Awards in Las Vegas. The Vezina (Ryan Miller/Michigan State), Conn Smythe (Jonathan Toews/North Dakota), Norris (Duncan Keith/Michigan State) and Lady Byng (Martin St. Louis/Vermont) were all won by college players. Toews also won Olympic gold with Canada and captained the Stanley Cup champion Chicago Blackhawks.

"For me (college hockey) was the stepping stone to the NHL," Toews said. "That was the ultimate goal, to find a place I could play and eventually become a professional hockey player. It worked out that North Dakota was a good place



**GEORGE PARROS, with a Princeton economics degree, would be just as comfortable on Wall Street as the trenches of the NHL.**

for that. I had a lot of fun playing in some big games – the Frozen Four, the World Juniors for Team Canada. It was a good two years there that really helped me to develop and get ready for this level.”

**THIS SEASON, COLLEGE HOCKEY CONTINUES TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON A NIGHTLY BASIS AT THE NHL LEVEL:**

**OCT. 9:** New York Rangers center Derek Stepan (Wisconsin), six months removed from playing in the Frozen Four, netted a hat trick in his first NHL game. He was the fourth player in NHL history to do so, and the first to accomplish the feat since Fabian Brunnstrom did it in 2008.

**OCT. 18:** Chicago’s Patrick Sharp (Vermont) scores the game-winning goal against St. Louis to give him five goals in three games. In early November, he was still second in the NHL scoring race.

**OCT. 27:** Former college players totaled 13 goals and 22 assists for 35 points in six NHL games. Among the highlights: Dany Heatley (Wisconsin) had a goal and three assists in San Jose’s 5-2 win against New Jersey, while Martin St. Louis (Vermont) had two goals and an assist in Tampa Bay’s 5-3 victory against Pittsburgh. Craig Adams (Harvard) was involved in every Penguins goal, contributing a goal and two assists. Duncan Keith (Michigan State) had two assists in Chicago’s 3-1 win against Los Angeles. On that same night, Chicago’s Marty Turco (Michigan) and Tampa Bay’s Dan Ellis (Nebraska-Omaha) both had victories in the net.

**OCT. 30:** Goalie Tim Thomas (Vermont) shuts out Ottawa to give him three shutouts in six games. His 6-0-0 start to the season is Boston’s best goaltending start since Tiny Thompson went 6-0-0 in 1937-38. At the time, Thomas led the NHL with an 0.50 goals-against average and .984 save percentage.

**NOV. 2:** Anaheim Ducks tough guy George Parros (Princeton) made news by shaving off hockey’s most famous moustache since Lanny McDonald’s handlebar, for charity.

“It was totally hard to do it,” Parros said, laughing. “If you read the e-mail chains, I said I would love to support my mustachioed brothers, but I didn’t want to shave it. At the end of the day, I did it because it was for a good cause, and I wouldn’t turn as many heads if I just supported the movement with my ‘stache.”

**NOV. 4:** St. Louis Blues center T.J. Oshie (North Dakota) picks up an

assist in a 2-0 win against San Jose. The Blues are off to one of the best starts in team history and Oshie was their leading scorer before suffering a fractured ankle on Nov. 10. Leading the team in minutes played is defenseman Erik Johnson (Minnesota).

“A lot more players are starting to go to college and a lot more Canadians are starting to go to college,” Johnson said. “It’s a great place to develop.”

Johnson wanted to turn pro, but the Blues convinced him he needed to go to college.

“I just grew up and matured,” Johnson said. “It’s not just how you develop on the ice. It’s how you develop as a person. I just got a broader perspective about life.”

It’s a perspective that many former collegians eventually channel for a career year or two of their own. ■

**DEREK STEPAN, who led the 2010 World Juniors in scoring, fired a hat trick in his NHL debut.**



**COLLEGE HOCKEY BRINGS HOME HARDWARE**

**2010 MEN’S OLYMPIC HOCKEY**

**Most Valuable Player/Best Goaltender**

Ryan Miller (Michigan State)

**Best Defenseman**

Brian Rafalski (Wisconsin)

**Best Forward**

Jonathan Toews (North Dakota)

**Media All-Star**

Zach Parise (North Dakota)

**2010 NHL AWARDS**

**Vezina Trophy**

Ryan Miller (Michigan State)

**Norris Trophy**

Duncan Keith (Michigan State)

**Lady Byng Trophy**

Martin St. Louis (Vermont)

**Conn Smythe Trophy**

Jonathan Toews (North Dakota)

**NHL Foundation Player Award**

Ryan Miller (Michigan State)

**2010 IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONS**

Jerry D’Amigo (Rensselaer)

Matt Donovan (Denver)

Jake Gardiner (Wisconsin)

Chris Kreider (Boston College)

Danny Kristo (North Dakota)

Mike Lee (St. Cloud)

Kyle Palmieri (Notre Dame)

John Ramage (Wisconsin)

Jordan Schroeder (Minnesota)

Derek Stepan (Wisconsin)

David Warsofsky (Boston University)

Jason Zucker (Denver)

# KEEP YOUR OPTIONS OPEN — ON THE ICE AND OFF

**H**OCKEY'S BEST PLAYERS LEARN AT AN early age to keep their options open when the puck is on their stick, and *College Hockey Inc.*'s goal is to help the sport's best young players keep their options open about their future.

The non-profit organization, operated under the auspices of the Hockey Commissioners Association (HCA), debuted last December and one of its primary missions is to educate prospective student-athletes on the benefits of pairing a college education with their passion for hockey. Staff members have spent the past year traveling across North America making presentations to elite young players and their families.

Parents are more interested in the substance of the message, such as how to catch the attention of college coaches, how to get admitted and get a scholarship, and the value of education. Players are more focused on whether they'll have a chance to develop their hockey skills and have a shot at playing in the NHL.

According to current Chicago Blackhawks captain and former University of North Dakota star Jonathan Toews, playing college hockey was "obviously the best step I could have taken to get to the next level."

It's a message that more and more players, and their parents, are heeding.

Stephane Robidas, an alternate captain for the Dallas Stars, volunteered to speak to a group of 75 players at the American Airlines Center. He acknowledged that he had played major junior hockey, and that choice had worked out for him, but based on everything he has learned now, he told the players that he and his wife hope that if their young son is good enough that he'll eventually play college hockey.

Paul Kelly, executive director of *College Hockey Inc.*, wants players to be able to make the most informed decision possible and understands that it's hard for 15-year-olds to hear that the average NHL career lasts less than five years.

"We tell them there are more guys that have gone on to become successful doctors, lawyers, entrepreneurs and scientists that played college hockey than players who went on to become NHL superstars," Kelly said. "The reality is that hockey ends at some point, but education lasts a lifetime."

Included in the organization's efforts have been four "collegiate hockey summits" held in Los Angeles, Dallas, Ann Arbor, Mich., and Rochester, N.Y. Each was an invitation-only gathering of

**MIKE KOMISAREK, who played at the University of Michigan, addressed elite young players in Toronto over the summer at a collegiate hockey summit.**

the area's top 1994 and 1995 birth-year players; participants heard from current NHL players and college alums such as Jack Johnson, Marty Turco and Nathan Gerbe at the events, which were co-hosted by USA Hockey and the USHL.



*College Hockey Inc.* expanded its outreach to Canada in September by hosting a summit in Toronto. The participants, split into four teams, were coached by former NHL/college players like Pat Flatley, Mike Johnson and Cam Stewart. They also heard presentations about college hockey and career options from NHL administrators and players, along with prominent college head coaches like Red Berenson (Michigan), Dave Hakstol (North Dakota) and Seth Appert (Rensselaer).

*College Hockey Inc.* received an outpouring of positive feedback afterwards,



including an e-mail from a parent which read "If [my son] learned nothing else, he went home Saturday and did an hour of homework before his game Saturday night, and again on Sunday ... his new catchphrase is 'Don't blow my eligibility.'"

According to Kelly, that sentiment is something that

a multitude of former NHL and junior hockey players wish they had experienced growing up.

"In the crowds of people, there have been a number of guys who either played professional hockey or played junior hockey, who commonly come up to us afterward and say, 'Geez, I wish there was something like this when I was young that could have helped me kind of look at the options and decide,'" Kelly said.

The best players still know it's wise to keep one's options open, off the ice as well as on. ■

# **NCAA DIVISION I COLLEGE HOCKEY** **WHERE FROZEN STAGE MEETS BIG STAGE**

**College hockey started hockey's trend to outdoor games with a world-record setting event at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing, Mich., in October of 2001 and continues to showcase hockey playing student-athletes on some of America's grandest sports stages.**



**The 'Cold War' between Michigan and Michigan State on Oct. 6, 2001 attracted 74,544 fans and demonstrated the widespread appeal and marketing possibilities of outdoor hockey.**

**The 'Camp Randall Hockey Classic' drew an audience of 55,301 when Big Ten Conference members Wisconsin and Michigan met at the home of Badger football on Feb. 6, 2010. The Badgers also played hockey outdoors in 2006 at Green Bay's Lambeau Field against Ohio State in the 'Frozen Tundra Classic'.**



Photo by Greg Anderson



**Fabled Fenway Park hosted 'Sunlife Frozen Fenway' on Jan. 8, 2010 as 38,472 fans watched Boston University edge Boston College, 3-2.**

**The 2010 NCAA Men's Frozen Four at Ford Field, home of the NFL's Detroit Lions, set a world indoor attendance record for hockey with 37,592 taking in the national championship game between Boston College and Wisconsin.**



## **2010-11 Outdoor College Games**

**December 11, 2010**

Michigan State vs  
Michigan  
Michigan Stadium  
(est. 112,000)

**February 13, 2011**

Sacred Heart vs  
Connecticut  
Rentschler Field  
(est. 40,000)

**February 19, 2011**

Army vs  
American Int'l  
Rentschler Field  
(est. 40,000)

# HE SHOOTS, HE STUDIES, HE SCORES! The Goal of a College Degree

**R**YAN MILLER AND R.J. UMBERGER make a combined \$10.25 million salary each season, but when the NHL season's over, they've spent many summers pursuing something money can't buy – a college degree.

A growing number of players who signed professional contracts with college eligibility remaining are returning to school. The motivation differs, but all agree on one thing: it's no small task, but it's something they absolutely want to accomplish.

"I always wanted to get a degree," said UMBERGER, who left Ohio State University following his junior season after being drafted No. 16 overall in 2001. He's now back in Columbus, as an alternate captain with the Blue Jackets, and has a few classes left in a business marketing degree.

"My parents never went to college and I always considered it a privilege and an honor to go to Ohio State. Hopefully, someday I will be able to tell my kids that I worked hard, finished school and I'll be a good role model to them."

**DANIEL WINNIK** graduated to the NHL from the University of New Hampshire, where he earned a degree in political science.



Like many of his peers, UMBERGER, 28, has taken a mix of summer classes and online courses. It can be difficult to balance coursework with the demands of pro hockey, because once players finish grinding through an 82-game schedule, they start rigorously training for the next one.

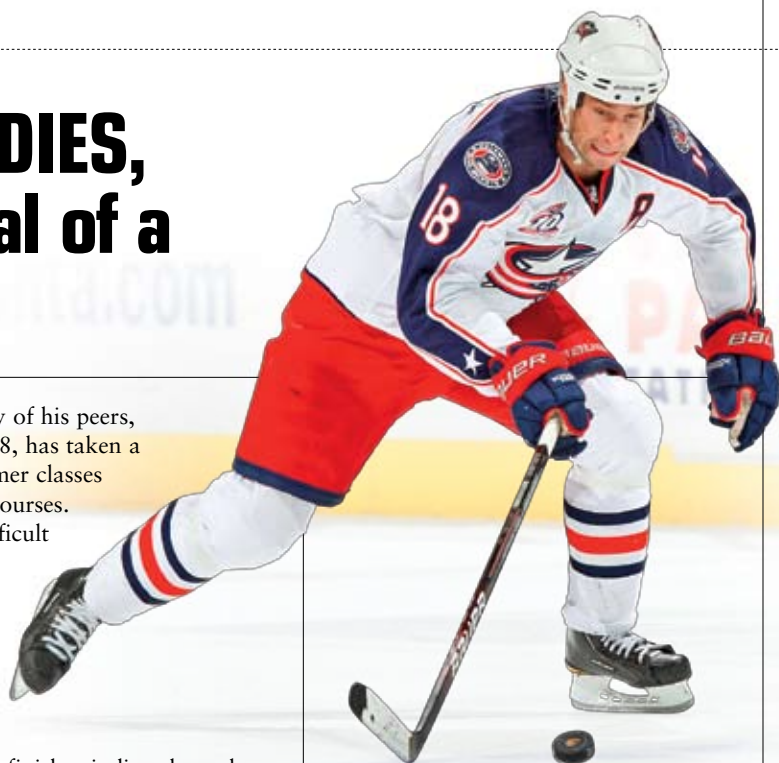
Detroit's Drew Miller, 26, and his brother Ryan, 30, both chose to forego their senior seasons at Michigan State University to turn pro. Ryan, a goaltender for Buffalo, completed his business degree by returning to East Lansing in the off-season, while Drew hopes to achieve his human resources degree within the next five years.

He feels strongly that the sacrifices involved in getting his degree will be worth it.

"It's not that much time out of your day," he admitted. "I'm eventually going to get it done. I definitely want to do it; it's something that I want to accomplish. I've already gone this far, so I think it's something that I can fall back onto after hockey."

Former Miami University captain Tommy Wingels signed with San Jose this past summer following his junior campaign.

As soon as he inked that contract, however, he immediately hit the books, taking summer courses in Oxford, Ohio, leading to a business degree with a concentration in accounting and a sub-concentration in acquisition of Chinese language.



**R.J. UMBERGER** returned to Columbus, Ohio to skate for the Blue Jackets and finish his business degree at Ohio State.

Former Notre Dame defenseman Ian Cole (St. Louis) and Teddy Ruth (Columbus), who also forfeited their final year to turn pro this season, plan on returning to campus next summer to take classes. Cole, a psychology major, and Ruth, a finance major, cannot take online courses because the university doesn't offer them, but both plan on obtaining their degrees.

Dan Winnik, 25, played three seasons for the University of New Hampshire and received his political science degree within two years of signing with Phoenix before being traded to Colorado.

"The way I looked at it, I figured if I didn't get it, then I might as well have played major junior—why spend three years at a university and not get a degree," he said. "That was the whole point of going. Just because I signed with Phoenix didn't mean I shouldn't get my degree."

The importance of completing his education was instilled in Winnik by his father.

"My dad's a big advocate of education," he said. "He always told me growing up, if you're good enough to play, they'll find you no matter where you play, which is true." ■

# TWITTER ME THIS: NHL Stars Reflect on Their College Hockey Days



**W**e asked current National Hockey League players to tell us, in 140 characters or less, how playing Division 1 college hockey prepared them for the professional game. Special thanks to NHL member-team PR departments for their assistance.

**KEVIN BIEKSA, Vancouver Canucks**  
**Defenseman** (6th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Grimsby, ON  
**College Attended:** Bowling Green State University, 2000-04.

"College hockey gave me the opportunity to pursue a career in hockey while furthering my education. Learning to multi-task so many responsibilities was essential for success in the NHL."

**MIKE CAMMALLERI, Montreal Canadiens**  
**Forward** (8th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Richmond Hill, ON  
**College Attended:** University of Michigan, 1999-2002.

"What I learned on the ice, off the ice, and in the classroom prepared me for many of the challenges I have faced in my current life in the NHL."

**TOM GILBERT, Edmonton Oilers**  
**Defenseman** (5th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Bloomington, MN  
**College Attended:** University of Wisconsin, 2002-06.

"College was the best development as a player for me to make it to the next level. It was a way for me to grow both in the classroom and on the ice."

**SHAWN HORCOFF, Edmonton Oilers**  
**Forward** (10th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Trail, BC  
**College Attended:** Michigan State University, 1996-2000.

"College hockey provided the opportunity for me to get both the physical and mental growth needed to be successful at the NHL level."

**JIMMY HOWARD, Detroit Red Wings**  
**Goalie** (5th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Syracuse, NY  
**College Attended:** University of Maine, 2002-05.

"Playing college hockey helped me learn how to get better, and organize and plan my daily schedule. Having to balance a full athletic schedule while also focusing on academics helps prepare any student-athlete for life after college. Also, the level of competition in college hockey helped prepare me for the professional ranks."

**CHRIS KUNITZ, Pittsburgh Penguins**  
**Forward** (7th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Regina, SK  
**College Attended:** Ferris State University, 1999-2003.

"My four years at Ferris State helped me understand the balance of athletics and life. Without the coaches and Ferris community, I would never be where I am today."

**PAUL MARTIN, Pittsburgh Penguins**  
**Defenseman** (7th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Minneapolis, MN  
**College Attended:** University of Minnesota, 2000-03.

"Being a student-athlete at the U of Minnesota were some of the best years of my life. It was a great learning experience both on and off the ice. Back 2 Back!"

**MATT MOULSON, New York Islanders**  
**Forward** (4th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** North York, ON  
**College Attended:** Cornell University, 2002-06.

"College hockey helped me in a lot of areas of my game and my life. It taught me discipline in both areas. I had to be disciplined with my defensive game so it helped me become a two-way player. Secondly, with so much emphasis on school I had to make time off the ice for studying and schoolwork. I have tried to carry this disciplined lifestyle with me into the pros."

**PAUL STASTNY, Colorado Avalanche**  
**Forward** (5th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Quebec City, QC  
**College Attended:** University of Denver, 2004-06.

"Attending the University of Denver was a great decision and really prepared me for professional hockey."

**LEE STEMPIAK, Phoenix Coyotes**  
**Forward** (8th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** West Seneca, NY  
**College Attended:** Dartmouth College, 2001-05.

"Playing college hockey allowed me to get my degree, while developing my skills over four years as I grew into my body."

**JAMES VAN RIEMSDYK, Philadelphia Flyers**  
**Forward** (2nd NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Middletown, NJ  
**College Attended:** University of New Hampshire, 2007-09.

"College hockey prepared me for the next level by allowing me to mature on and off the ice."

**DOUG WEIGHT, New York Islanders**  
**Forward** (20th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Detroit, MI  
**College Attended:** Lake Superior State University, 1989-91.

"College hockey was one of the best experiences of my life. It is something I will never forget and I learned a tremendous amount from."

**GREG ZANON, Minnesota Wild**  
**Defenseman** (6th NHL season)  
**Hometown:** Burnaby, BC  
**College Attended:** University of Nebraska Omaha, 1999-2003.

"College hockey taught me to focus on both academics and athletics, and to be able to succeed at both. I learned independence while developing new relationships and maintaining those I had left behind. As I became one of the veterans, I learned how to effectively teach and lead those younger than myself."

# COLLEGE HOCKEY'S FAMILY AFFAIR

## PRO SCOUTS LOVE GOOD BLOODLINES

And the list of college hockey players who have a father, uncle, grandfather, brother and/or cousin that played in the NHL gives them an ever-expanding 'Family Tree' of talent to harvest on an annual basis.

A pro pedigree is more prevalent than ever on the men's Division I level today.

Mark Johnson, a 1980 Olympic gold medalist and current Wisconsin women's head coach, has a son, Patrick, playing in Madison.

"From a parent's standpoint, you're excited for any of your kids to have an opportunity to play college hockey," noted the father. "As a parent, it makes it that much more special that Patrick gets to do what I did as a college student: play hockey in Madison, in front of his home crowd, in front of his family."



Cornell sophomore forward **CHRIS MOULSON** has a brother Matt, who played hockey at Cornell (2002-06) and now plays for the New York Islanders.

Learning to balance athletics and academics paid dividends for former Cornell forward and current New York Islander Matt Moulson, who has a brother, Chris, on the current Big Red roster.

"One of the more important things away from the rink was learning responsibility," said the elder Moulson. "It didn't matter who you were at Cornell, if you did below (the standard), there were going to be repercussions so you had a lot on your plate. There was pressure of being at a pretty good hockey school and performing in the classroom. Those turned out to be good life lessons."

Hockey's culture has created a rush of youngsters trying to find the fastest way to the next level, but longtime pros that have traveled the route before offer cautionary words.

Current Maine associate head coach Bob Corkum's son, Kelen, is following his dad's footsteps playing for the Black Bears.

"I told my son the exact same thing I tell all young players," stated Corkum, who skated with seven different NHL teams. "It's great to have dreams of playing in the NHL, but it is more important to have a backup plan if that 20-year NHL career doesn't become reality."

Rick Vaive's son, Justin, is a senior forward at Miami and Anaheim NHL draft pick.

"We knew there were a lot of advantages for Justin playing on the college level," remarked the first 50-goal scorer in Toronto Maple Leafs history. "The simple aspect of giving him the opportunity to be on his own and mature on his own was rewarding. We left the choice up to him, but were glad he made college his selection."

Dave Hannan's son, Jeff, plays for Niagara of Atlantic Hockey.

"Besides the importance of an education, college preaches structure with such things as academics and meetings," said



Sacred Heart sophomore forward **KYLE VERBEEK's** father Pat, played 20 seasons in the NHL (1982-2002) for five different clubs.

Hannan, a two-time Stanley Cup winner. "I tell parents unless their son is a top draft pick, send them to college to play to become better prepared and turn them into leaders."

College hockey's training advantage, with sophisticated training programs supervised by full-time conditioning coaches, is also a noteworthy consideration. Chris Chelios, former college player and NHL great has two sons, Dean and Jake, playing at Michigan State.

"There was a simple no-risk factor in our sons playing college hockey," noted Chelios, who was a part of Wisconsin's 1983 NCAA championship team. "My sons were not physically ready to play in any other league when the college decision came. If my guys are ready, the NHL will always be there, and the college game is ideal for them to develop."

Pat Verbeek, who spent 20 seasons in the NHL and has a son, Kyle, playing at Sacred Heart, believes the college game is a natural progression for those who want to play at the next level.

"The college game develops discipline, respect for the game and maturity that all players need," said Verbeek, himself a scout for Tampa Bay. "There are eyes watching all types of games out there, and if you are good enough the scouts will find you." ■



# 2010-11 NATIONAL TV SCHEDULE



ALL TIMES ARE LOCAL TIME

DATE	GAME	TV	TIME	DATE	GAME	TV	TIME
Nov. 19	Yale at Cornell	CBSCS	7:30				
	Minnesota-Duluth at Wisconsin	FS-Wisco	7:00	Jan. 29	Massachusetts at Northeastern	NESN	7:30
	Boston U. at UNH	NESN	7:00		Miami at Notre Dame	CBSCS	5:05
	Bemidji State at Denver	FSRM	7:37		Michigan vs. Michigan State	FSD	8:05
Nov. 20	Brown at Colgate (TD)	NHLN	12:00		Alaska-Anchorage at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07
	Lake Superior at Michigan (TD)	NHLN	2:00		Vermont at Merrimack	NESN	7:30
Nov. 26	Michigan at Wisconsin	BTN	7:00	Feb. 4	Denver at Colorado College	CBSCS	8:07
	Michigan State at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:00		Michigan at Miami	CBSCS	7:30
	Lake Superior at Denver	FSRM	7:35		Maine at UNH	NESN	7:30
Nov. 27	Michigan State at Wisconsin	BTM/FS-Wisco	7:00		Michigan State at Ohio State	BTN	7:35
	Quinnipiac at Massachusetts	NESN	7:00	Feb. 5	Minnesota at Minnesota-Duluth	FSNorth	7:07
	Notre Dame at North Dakota (TD)	NHLN	2:00		Maine at UNH	NESN	7:00
Nov. 28	Michigan at Minnesota	FSNorth/BTN	4:30		Michigan at Miami	FSD	5:05
Dec. 3	Boston College at Boston U.	CBSCS	7:30		Minnesota at Minnesota-Duluth	FSNorth	7:07
	Michigan at Ohio State	BTN	7:35		Colorado College at Denver	FSRM	7:07
	Minnesota at Minnesota State	FSNorth	7:30	Feb. 7	St. Lawrence at Colgate (TD)	NHLN	12:00
Dec. 4	Boston U. at Boston College	CBSCS	7:30		Mich. Tech at Alaska-Anchorage (TD)	NHLN	2:00
	Ferris State at Michigan State	FSD	7:05	Feb. 7	Harvard vs. Northeastern (BP)	NESN	5:00
	Minnesota at Minnesota State	FSNorth	7:07		Boston College vs. Boston U. (BP)	NESN	8:00
	Wisconsin at Alaska-Anchorage (TD)	NHLN	12:00	Feb. 11	Boston U. at UMass	CBSCS	7:30
	St. Cloud State at North Dakota (TD)	NHLN	2:00		Ohio State at Michigan	BTN	7:35
Dec. 5	Union at Yale	ESPNU	3:00	Feb. 12	Denver at Minnesota (TD)	FSNorth	7:07
Dec. 8	Quinnipiac at Harvard	NESN	7:00		Denver at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07
Dec. 10	UNH at Maine	CBSCS	7:30		Northern Michigan at Michigan State	FSD	5:05
	Minnesota-Duluth at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07		Ohio State at Michigan	BTN	7:35
Dec. 11	Michigan vs. Michigan State	FSD; BTN	3:05		Alaska-Anchorage at No. Dakota (TD)	NHLN	12:00
	Minnesota-Duluth at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07	Feb. 14	Cornell at Rensselaer	NHLN	3:30
	Bemidji State at Wisconsin	FS-Wisco	7:00		Beanpot Championship Game	NESN	8:00
	Denver at Alaska-Anchorage (TD)	NHLN	12:00	Feb. 18	UNH at Vermont	CBSCS	7:30
	Boston University at Rensselaer	NHLN	3:30		Minnesota at Wisconsin	BTN	7:07
Dec. 12	Vermont at Dartmouth	ESPNU	4:00		Michigan Tech at Denver	FSRM	7:37
Dec. 30	GLI Championship Game	FSD	7:35	Feb. 19	Maine at UMass-Lowell	NESN	7:30
	GLI Consolation Game	FSD	4:05		Western Michigan at Michigan	FSD	7:35
	Massachusetts at Wisconsin	FS-Wisco	7:00		Michigan Tech at Denver	FSRM	7:07
Dec. 31	Northern Michigan at Denver	FSRM	6:07		Minnesota at Wisconsin	FSNorth/Wvis.	8:07
	Massachusetts at Wisconsin	FS-Wisco	7:00		Western Michigan at Michigan (TD)	NHLN	12:00
Jan. 1	Ferris State at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07		Dartmouth at Colgate (TD)	NHLN	2:00
Jan. 7	Michigan at Michigan State	BTN	7:35	Feb. 20	Yale at Princeton	ESPNU	1:00
	Canisius at Wisconsin	BTN	7:00	Feb. 25	Vermont at Boston University	NESN	7:30
	Miami at Ohio State	CBSCS	7:35		Bowling Green at Michigan State	FSD-PLUS	7:35
	Providence at Boston College	NESN	7:30		Michigan Tech at Minnesota	FSNorth	6:37
	U.S. Under-18 Team at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07		Niagara at RIT	CBSCS	7:05
Jan. 8	Canisius at Wisconsin	BTN	7:00	Feb. 26	Vermont at Boston University	NESN	6:00
	Michigan State at Michigan	FSD-PLUS	7:05		Michigan Tech at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:37
	Robert Morris at North Dakota (TD)	NHLN	2:00	Feb. 27	Michigan Tech at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:30
Jan. 9	Boston U. at Vermont	CBSCS	7:00	Mar. 4	CCHA First-Round Playoff Game	FSD	7:35
	Colgate at Princeton	ESPNU	4:00		Minnesota at Bemidji State	FSNorth	7:37
Jan. 14	Minnesota at North Dakota	FSNorth	7:37		St. Cloud State at Denver	FSRM	7:37
	Massachusetts at UMass-Lowell	NESN	7:30		UNH at Boston College	NESN	7:30
	Ferris State at Michigan	CBSCS	7:35	Mar. 5	Minnesota at Bemidji State	FSNorth	7:07
	Army at Air Force	CBSCS	7:05		Colorado College at Wisconsin	FS-Wisco	7:00
Jan. 15	Minnesota at North Dakota	FSNorth	7:07	Mar. 11	WCHA First-Round Playoff Game	TBA	TBA
	Harvard at Boston U.	NESN	7:00	Mar. 12	WCHA First-Round Playoff Game	TBA	TBA
	Minnesota at North Dakota (TD)	NHLN	12:00		Hockey East Quarterfinals	NESN	7:30
	Ohio State at Western Michigan (TD)	NHLN	2:00	Mar. 17	WCHA Quarterfinals	FSNorth	4/7:37
Jan. 16	Boston College at Maine	CBSCS	7:00	Mar. 18	CCHA Semifinals	FSD-PLUS	4:35/8:05
Jan. 21	Boston College at Boston U.	NESN	7:30		ECAC Semifinals	CBSCS	4:30/7:30
	Alaska at Michigan	FSD-PLUS	7:35		Hockey East Semifinals	NESN	5/8
	Miami at Michigan State	CBSCS	7:35		WCHA Semifinals	FSNorth	2/7
	Minnesota State at Wisconsin	BTN	7:00	Mar. 19	CCHA Championship Game	FSD-PLUS	7:35
	Alaska-Anchorage at Denver	FSRM	7:37		ECAC Championship Game	CBSCS	7:30
Jan. 22	Boston University at UNH	NESN	7:00		Hockey East Championship Game	NESNPlus	7:00
	Alaska-Anchorage at Denver	FSRM	7:07		WCHA Championship Game	FSNorth	7:07
	Nebraska-Omaha at No. Dakota (TD)	NHLN	2:00				
Jan. 27	Michigan State at Ferris State	FSD	7:35				
Jan. 28	North Dakota at Colorado College	CBSCS	8:07				
	Miami at Notre Dame	FSD	7:35				
	Alaska-Anchorage at Minnesota	FSNorth	7:07				

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BTN – Big Ten Network  
 CBS – CBS College Sports Network  
 FSD – Fox Sports Detroit  
 FSN – Fox Sports North  
 FSRM – Fox Sports Rocky Mountain  
 FSWisconsin – Fox Sports Wisconsin  
 NESN – New England Sports Network  
 NHLN – NHL Network

