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SUNYAC Announces Men and Women's Basketball Coaches of the Year

FREDONIA, N.Y. – The State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) has announced that Potsdam's Sherry Dobbs and Brockport's Michele Carron were selected as the 2005 SUNYAC Men and Women's Basketball Coaches of the Year. Dobbs earns the men's coaching honor for the first time in his career while Carron receives the women's award for the third time (1993, 1997).

This season, Carron led Brockport to an 18-9 overall record, a 13-3 SUNYAC record and the women's conference title. This past Saturday, the Golden Eagles defeated Oswego in overtime 74-67 in the SUNYAC finals at the War Memorial in Utica, NY. Carron has coached Brockport the last thirteen seasons, guiding the team to three conference championship games and two titles (2003, 2005). Carron recorded her 200th career win with the overtime victory. Wednesday, Carron's Golden Eagles will host Alvernia College in the NCAA Tournament First Round game beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Dobbs, now in his second season at Potsdam, has twice led the Bears to the SUNYAC Tournament Championship Title. Last year's conference crown was Potsdam's first since 1987. Dobbs also guided the team to its first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1990. As he awaits Saturday's return to NCAA competition, Dobbs' Potsdam career record stands at 44-14. Potsdam was ranked 23 in the most recent D3hoops.com Top 25 List. The Bears received a bye in the First Round of the NCAA Tournament and will host the Second Round Game Saturday, March 5.

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