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***The Phoenix Club of Philadelphia announces the  
2015 Winner of the Dawn Staley Award***

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Tiffany Mitchell, University of South Carolina's Junior Guard, has been named the recipient of the 2015 Dawn Staley award.

"The Dawn Staley award is given to the most outstanding collegiate guard in the country; a player who exemplifies the skills that Dawn possessed during her career (ball handling, scoring, her ability to distribute the basketball and her will to win)," says Michael G. Horsey, Founder of the Phoenix Club of Philadelphia.

"What greater honor for a coach than to have one of their players win an award named after them. Tiffany has set the standard for the hard work it takes to be an All American, Player of the Year, and now the recipient of the Dawn Staley award for best guard in the country." says Dawn Staley

Tiffany Mitchell became the sixth woman in SEC history to earn back-to-back outright player of the year honors. The Charlotte, North Carolina native has earned All-American honors for the second consecutive year. Tiffany led her team this year, to win the SEC Conference and tournament championships and back-to-back NCAA Sweet Sixteen and the school's first ever Final Four appearance.

Mitchell, a 5'9" junior guard, finished her junior year averaging a team best 14.4 points per game, fifth in the SEC, and she ranks second in the league in field goal percentage (.505) and third in free throw percentage (.840).

Mitchell is one of two SEC players to rank among the league's top 15 in scoring, assists (11<sup>th</sup> 2.7 APG) and Steals (4<sup>th</sup> 1.8 SPG).

Dawn Staley will present the award to Tiffany Mitchell during the Phoenix Club of Philadelphia luncheon, Friday, April 17, 2015, at the prestigious Union League of Philadelphia.