

## WELCOME BACK!

by Kari Kennedy

**Communications Director & Webmaster**

Fall is here. The State Fair has come and gone. School busses are rolling down the streets. For most families, a new school year has begun. New backpacks have made their debut, full of sharpened pencils and new notebooks.

At many houses it is also time to pull out that hockey bag to see what equipment still fits. Make a trip to replace skates that are too small. Pick out that brand new stick. (If you have old equipment to trade in, check out the Booster Club's new equipment trade-in program!)

While many kids have taken a break from the rinks this summer to play baseball, soccer, ride their bikes around the neighborhood or go to the lake with friends and family, many hard-working RAYHA volunteers have been preparing for another fun-filled season of hockey.

We have been happy to welcome new members to the Board of Directors while

sorry to say goodbye to those that have moved on. We continue to be fortunate that our Charitable Gambling is making money for our association. Many thanks to Gambling Manager April Borash and her hardworking staff as they navigate the ever-changing world of charitable gambling. Our youth hockey association continues to benefit because the Roseville Bingo Hall remains one of the most successful in the state.

The Rink Rats program will return to the Oval for a fourth season. This weekly-unstructured ice time is for kids to play together on the ice. No coaches organizing a practice, no standing in lines, just a chance to play and be creative on the ice with your friends! Check the website soon for this year's dates. Please consider volunteering your time to help provide adult supervision during Rink Rats.

We are also very pleased to continue the equipment program. For new players at the Mini Mite and Mite level, families are able to borrow a set of equipment for the season. A great way to find out if your five year old likes hockey, without investing in all of the

equipment right away.

Goalie Clinics are returning this season. Check out the schedule in the Kids Goaltender or on the website.

Look for new hockey development tools for coaches and players throughout the season. Make sure to check out all of our new and continuing programs highlighted in both editions of the Goaltender this month and visit the website often for RAYHA news.

We are looking forward to another season of great hockey and improving on all of our successes on and off the ice. The ideas are the easy part. Making them happen is the hard part. It takes all of us to offer our time and effort to support our youth hockey players. Please contact a Board Member today to let us know how you can help make the 2009-10 season the best ever for all of our kids!

**See you at the rink!**



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## RAYHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2009-10 Board Meetings

RAYHA Board meetings are held monthly at the Roseville Skating Center and are open to all members. The board reserves the right to caucus and limit the amount of time for discussion of any issue. Members are encouraged to attend meetings to maintain communication between themselves and the Board and to provide input and ideas for the benefit of RAYHA.

The following is the 2009-10 Board meeting schedule, subject to change. All meetings are in the Raider Room at the Roseville Skating Center, unless noted. All Board Meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.

Any schedule changes will be posted at [rosevillehockey.org](http://rosevillehockey.org)

September 21  
October 26  
November 16  
December 14  
January 25  
February 22  
March 22  
April 19  
May 24

### Communications Director/Webmaster -- Kari Kennedy 612.306.8540 [kkennedy@tpt.org](mailto:kkennedy@tpt.org)

The Kids Goaltender returns this fall to celebrate the success of our youth players on and off the ice. To get your stories and pictures published in either edition of the Goaltender and posted on the website submit them to: [kkennedy@tpt.org](mailto:kkennedy@tpt.org)

Once you've sent me an article and photo, consider sharing it with a wider audience by submitting it to "Let's Play Hockey!" Kids (and parents) love to read about themselves. Click [here](#) for guidelines on how to submit articles and photos to LPH.

Have you always wanted to help out with the website or Goaltender? Contact me to find out how you can help continue both of these communication tools for our association.

Thanks to Hart and Laura Gilchrist for their continued assistance on the website this season!

Looking for a way to get involved in your community? Consider volunteering for your child's team. It can be as simple as offering to organize a snack or beverage list for a Mini Mite team. You'll be surprised at the rewards your family will receive.

### District 2 Representative – Mike Murphy 612.817.5159 [m.r.murphy@comcast.net](mailto:m.r.murphy@comcast.net)

**Fundraising** – I am happy to report that the overwhelming majority of our sponsors are back again for the 09/10 season. RAYHA would like to welcome back Tom's Mobil, Acceleration North, Raymond Auto Body, Strauss Skate and Bicycle, Top Shelf, Buesing Bulk, Peterson Brothers Roofing, Charlie's Convenience Store, Par Aide, Thayer Orthodontics, Premier Bank, Bosch Law Firm, North Heights Hardware Hank, Brodt Insurance, and Maguire Agency.

New to the RAYHA family this year include; Harold's Shoe Repair, Dog Days, Boaters Outlet, Cornell Kahler Shidell & Mair CPA's and Dicks Sporting Goods.

Over the course of the season you will be seeing some news items about our sponsors. Please take the time to read these over, as well as visit the sponsor page!

If your company is not a sponsor yet, there are still a few spots available. Please contact me at [m.r.murphy@comcast.net](mailto:m.r.murphy@comcast.net) to make arrangements!

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**Registration Director** – Kris Swanson 651.415.1821 [kmswanson@mmm.com](mailto:kmswanson@mmm.com)

**It's Registration Time!** Registration for 2009-10 will take place in the Rose Room at the Roseville Skating Center on SUNDAY, Sept. 13 from noon – 4 pm and Monday, Sept. 14 from 6-9 pm.

**The registration process has changed for the 2009-10 season:**

We are an affiliate of USA/MN Hockey and those organizations are requiring that each association use On-line registration for the portion of the fees and sign up that ties to them. Other neighboring associations used the on-line process last year and they assure us that the process is easy for everyone. While we are still working out the finer details a preview of the new process is as follows:

**All players must register with USA Hockey before registering with RAYHA.**

- Visit [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com) and click on the membership link then the register a player link.
- Select the Ice Players & Coaches tab and follow the instructions.
- Pay the MN/USA Hockey registration fee with a credit card or Visa gift card. (RAYHA fees will be paid to RAYHA separately and have been reduced to reflect this new registration procedure.)
- **Print the receipt with bar code and bring it to one of the registration sessions above.**

**NOTE: Jr. Gold Players do NOT need to register with USA hockey prior to RAYHA registration. For Jr. Gold players, this should be done before tryouts later this fall and the bar code receipt should be brought to tryouts.**

**What else do I need to bring with me?**

All players need to bring with them:

- USA Hockey confirmation sheet with bar code (register online at [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com))
- Completed Consent to Treat Form (or the info such as Health Insurance and Clinic info required to complete the form)
- For new players or any player not registered with RAYHA for the 2008-2009 seasons, please also bring a **copy** of your government issued birth certificate.

Registering on-line helps eliminate one of the required forms from the process AND from the roster books!

**New registration rules from MN Hockey**

Minnesota Hockey has adopted a new Participation Rule (formerly the Residency Rule) for the upcoming 2009-2010 season. Please go to the Minnesota Hockey web site for information. [www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show\\_article/80470/29857](http://www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show_article/80470/29857)

**THIS NEW PARTICIPATION RULE COULD CHANGE WHERE YOU PLAY HOCKEY THIS COMING SEASON. PLEASE INVESTIGATE BEFORE YOU COME TO REGISTRATION.**

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Hello RAYHA Families. This is my first year as the Girls Traveling Director but my job has been made easier by the great work of my predecessor Tommy Zerse. RAYHA has been working hard to attract girls to the sport and we are seeing strong participation at the younger ages. We hope that the girls already playing hockey will continue to do so and that we can build on our strong foundation.

The distribution of RAYHA girls playing during the 2008-09 season was:

Mini Mites/Mites – 36 players    10U/Squirt – 36 players    12U - 23 players    14U - 9 players

### Head Coach Selection

Congratulations to the following coaches who participated in the interview process and were selected to head coach the girls for the 2009-2010 season:

14U A- Scott Phillips    12U A – Gerry Anderson    10U A – Keith Colvard    10U B – Chip Anderson

### 14 U Program

Based on last year's RAYHA registration database, the number of players that are age-eligible to play 14U this year are:

9<sup>th</sup> Graders – 8 (7 skaters and 1 goalie)    8<sup>th</sup> Graders – 12 (11 skaters and 1 goalie)

(Some of these players will play at the High School JV or Varsity level.)

It would be helpful if either players or parents of individuals who plan to register for RAYHA's 14U program could notify me at the email address listed above for planning purposes. We are in the process of evaluating options for the 2009-2010 season. The options are:

- 1) Roster one Roseville team (with the possibility of waiving in players from other associations); or
- 2) Form a COOP with a neighboring association so that we can have an A and B team

### 10U Registration

I want to encourage parents who have U10-eligible daughters to register them for the U10 program. By growing our girls program at the U10 level, we can continue to have competitive teams at the older ages.

**House/C Teams Director** – Greg Hoag 651.486.8295 [ghoag1@comcast.net](mailto:ghoag1@comcast.net)

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At the house level we are getting ready for the upcoming season. We have secured tournaments for our C team coaches to select from.

Coaches and Managers Director, Jay Henthorne and myself are currently recruiting coaches for the upcoming season. If you are interested in coaching this season please contact one of us as soon as possible. The more tasks we can complete before registration will make for a much smoother start to the upcoming season.

I am also looking for coordinators to assist me with the Mini-Mite and Mite levels. If you are interested and willing to help out this season please let me know.

**Coaches & Managers Director** – Jay Henthorne 651.766.0588

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I would like all of those interested in coaching in house teams this year to please send me their application via email. We are not seeing a lot of in house coaching applications so far. I would also like to remind coach's and prospective coach's to please see me at the coach's table during registration to make sure that all proper paperwork gets filled out concerning background investigation forms, CEP Card verification for the upcoming season, Waiver of Liability, Etc.



### **33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Roseville Thanksgiving Bantam B and B2 Tournament Needs YOU!**

RAYHA is still looking for a tournament coordinator for the 2009 Thanksgiving Tournament Nov. 28th - 30th at Roseville Arena. It's a great way to get more involved in the association and see some great Bantam hockey up close.

Please contact RAYHA President Jeff Johnson if you are interested. **651.633.0565** [Jeff@teampro.net](mailto:Jeff@teampro.net)

## Booster Club Announces Hockey Equipment Economic Stimulus Program!

by Mike Murphy

Have a bag (or several bags) of used equipment sitting in storage, doing nothing but gathering dust? Looking for a pain free way to help out your association as well as area youth skaters? Do you like winning prizes, like Gopher Hockey tickets and Twins memorabilia? Well the folks at the Booster Club have the answer you are looking for!

The RAYHA Booster Club is very proud to announce it's first ever equipment exchange program. Here is how it works. Bring your old equipment to registration. For every set/piece of equipment in working condition you will receive a ticket for our prize drawing. Anyone who has registered for RAYHA is welcome to take whatever fits their child. First come first served.

Equipment being accepted for the program: Helmets, Skates, Elbow Pads, Shoulder Pads, Breezers and Sticks.

All unclaimed equipment will be taken to a reseller, and funds received will go to the Booster Club – which goes right back to our kids! So do yourself and your association a favor. Clean out the garage and bring that equipment to registration!

Winners will be posted on the RAYHA Website on Monday Sept. 21st, and will be available for pick up at the Spaghetti Dinner on Sept. 28th.

Please contact me with any questions about the program, or if you have a prize you would like to donate:  
[m.r.murphy@comcast.net](mailto:m.r.murphy@comcast.net)



## 2009-10 Youth and Girls Traveling Coaches



The RAYHA Board of Directors would like to announce the following Head Coach selections for youth and girls traveling teams for the upcoming season.

Thank you to the many candidates that applied for coaching positions. Our association is fortunate to have so many qualified and dedicated coaches!

The positions that are not filled at this time will be filled at player tryouts. If you are interested in applying for a position at that time please contact Coaches and Managers Director Jay Henthorne.

**A Bantam: Dick Smith**

**Jr. Gold: Pete Baldwin**

**B Bantam: Rick Knoche**

**14U: Scott Phillips**

**A PeeWee: Dick Bruckner**

**B PeeWee: Tony Goodmanson**

**12U A: Gerry Anderson**

**A Squirt: John Jernberg**

**10U A: Keith Colvard**

**10U B: Chip Anderson**

**RAYHA Mission Statement** The purposes of our programs are to TEACH and to promote amateur youth ice hockey, develop GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP and fair play, and to teach each participant to ACCEPT both victory and defeat graciously. Above all, we want our youth to have FUN. We want to develop individual and team skills, TEAMWORK, knowledge of the game, LOYALTY, RESPONSIBILITY AND SPORTSMANSHIP.

## Sponsor Spotlight

### Sponsors Rock!

Oh sure, we see their names above the website banner, but have you really ever taken a close look at who is investing time and money into your youth athletic association? Over the course of the season this page will feature some of our sponsors. Take a little time and get to know them. They are fantastic folks!

Roseville is blessed to have a very solid core of sponsors, as well as some energetic new comers. In the RAYHA stable we have folks that:

- Insure our homes and loved ones
- Equip our teams
- Keep us on the water (when it is not frozen)
- Straighten our teeth (Come on, We are hockey players!)
- Fix our equipment
- Take care of our dogs while we are at tournaments
- Keep our vehicles running
- Make us faster
- Improve our sorry golf game
- Make sure the roof over our head does not collapse with the weight of the snow
- And so much more!

But the one thing they all have in common is the willingness to invest in their community. When you are out and about this season, let them know how much we appreciate their help!

### **Know of someone that should be a sponsor?**

I would love to talk to them! We have a handful of spots remaining so send me an email at [m.r.murphy@comast.net](mailto:m.r.murphy@comast.net) with the contact info and I can take it from there.

## B-I-N-G-O!

The Roseville Bingo Hall is now SMOKE FREE!

We have more sessions than any other Bingo Hall. Roseville Hockey sponsors sessions every Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday and alternates every other month Friday or Saturday.

**SEPTEMBER RAYHA SESSIONS:**

Sunday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Wednesday 3, 7 & 9 p.m.  
Thursday 1:30, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Saturday 7, 9 & 11 p.m.

**OCTOBER RAYHA SESSIONS:**

Sunday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Wednesday 3, 7 & 11 p.m.  
Thursday 1:30, 7, 9, & 11 p.m.  
Friday 1:30

**NOVEMBER RAYHA SESSIONS:**

Sunday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Wednesday 3, 7 & 9 p.m.  
Thursday 1:30, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Saturday 7, 9 & 11 p.m.

**Happy Birthday to You!!! We LOVE birthdays at the Roseville Bingo Hall:**

The day of your birthday you receive a \$10 admission package every session, just bring in your state ID. The last Tuesday and Wednesday of your birthday month, receive your admission package for half price!

**Monthly Birthday Party**

Come to our monthly birthday party and receive your Admission package and a gift bag. Don't forget to bring your ID! Birthday parties are the third Sunday of every month at the 9 pm session. Fall birthday parties are on Sept. 20th, Oct 18<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.

We're open Thanksgiving Night, sessions at 7, 9 & 11p.m. Door prizes all evening.

We now have our own web page for the Roseville Bingo Hall. Check it out at [www.rosevillebingo.com](http://www.rosevillebingo.com) Make sure to look for monthly web specials and coupons.

The Roseville Bingo Hall is located at 2525 N Snelling Ave in Roseville.

**Come out and support your local charities. Hope to see you there!**

April Borash  
RAYHA Gambling Manager

## NEWS FROM THE RAH BOOSTER CLUB

### **New Items Now Arriving Daily!**

If offseason preparation truly equals in-season success, the 2009-10 season shall be a success of epic proportions for the RAYHA's Booster Club! A great deal of time and effort was given toward developing new and exciting products. These items are arriving daily, and will be unveiled at registration. After registration we will also add product information to the website!

### **Party Time!?**

We are investigating the possibility of hosting a get together for all of our hockey families this winter. The idea is that while we all spend a lot of time at the rink, it is mostly hustle and bustle with little time to relax and socialize. The event would allow us to slow down, kick back and relax and enjoy ourselves in a family friendly environment. We are looking at food, beverage and entertainment options right now. Please let us know what you think of the idea.

### **Can't wait to skate!**

We'll see you all at Registration!

The RAH Booster Club

### **New Booster Club Member!**

We would like to welcome Theresa Hudachek to the Booster Club Squad! Theresa brings a lot of energy and new ideas to the organization. If you are looking for a way to be involved in your child's sport, but cannot commit to the schedule of coaching, give the booster club a whirl! It is a vital part of the success we enjoy at RAYHA, and gosh darn it, it's a lot of fun! Contact Ann Johnson at [Ann@Teampro.net](mailto:Ann@Teampro.net), Bonnie Nelson at [randevin@yahoo.com](mailto:randevin@yahoo.com) or Heidi Murphy at [Heidi.Murphy@YMCAtwincities.org](mailto:Heidi.Murphy@YMCAtwincities.org) to find out how you can help today!