



## The 2009-10 RAYHA Board of Directors Needs YOU!

by Kari Kennedy, RAYHA Communications Director

Interested in making a difference? Interested in giving back to our association? Now's your chance! Recently all members received a Board Member Application form in the regular mail or via email.

RAYHA Board members provide all the behind the scenes work necessary to put players on the ice and to run our association. Without members willing to step forward and volunteer for these positions there would be no hockey association for our kids.

Please consider volunteering for these important positions today! Fill out an application and return it to Kim Roy, or send Kim an email, **BY APRIL 23** with your candidacy information to have your name added to the ballot. Can't find the application you've already received in the mail? Download the [Board Member Application](#) by clicking on the underlined link and use it to place your nomination.

Then, watch your postal mailboxes again - the first week of May you will receive a letter containing all the nominations and a ballot. Each household gets 2 ballots. Return these to us **BY MAY 11** to have your vote counted.

Step up, throw your hat in the ring, help RAYHA have the best hockey season, the best hockey association, EVER!

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## RAYHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2008-09

### 2008-09 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 schedule for the 2008-09 season, subject to change. All rooms listed are in 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)

April 23 Roseville VFW 1145 Woodhill Dr  
Look for us in the downstairs meeting room.

April 23 - ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING  
6:30 - 7:30 PM  
(following the monthly Board meeting)

May 18<sup>th</sup> Willow Room, City Hall

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### TOWN HALL MEETING

Join us Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Roseville VFW for the annual Town Hall Meeting. Bring your questions, concerns, kudos and suggestions to share. Help make next season the best ever!

*Hope to see you there!*

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

Things have pretty much wrapped up for the season at the district level. While most of the people involved at the district are returning, there are a couple of openings for folks that would like to be involved at the district level. While I have a couple of folks in mind for these positions please feel free to contact me with your interests!

#### Rule Changes?

Ever thought that a rule needed to be eliminated, or changed? Need to add a rule? Each off season the district reviews rules, and looks for ways to improve the hockey experience for everyone. This year in particular the district seems to be open to potential changes, so now is your chance! So if you ever thought there was need for a new rule, get rid of an old one, change the playoff format or anything else, just send me an email [m.r.murphy@comcast.net](mailto:m.r.murphy@comcast.net)

See you at the rink.... Errrrr baseball field!

**Girls Traveling Director** – Tommy Zerse 651.341.2626 [redvet1@comcast.net](mailto:redvet1@comcast.net)

It was a great year for girl's hockey in Raiderland!!! RAHYA teams experienced success at every level and we continue to develop great kids at all levels. Check out the Player's Edition of the Goaltender for some great end of season reports from our girls teams.

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

**THANKS** to all the parents, managers and coaches who took the time to write about their teams this season...keep those stories coming! The season has come to an end but you still have time to share your hockey stories and memories. Have great off-season hockey stories or pictures to share? Get recognized in the Goaltender or on the website. Send your pictures and articles to [kkennedy@tpt.org](mailto:kkennedy@tpt.org)

Enjoy reading the Goaltender throughout the year? Always wanted to publish your own newsletter? Here's your chance! We are looking for someone to assist with the publication of the Goaltender. No experience necessary. Please contact me if you want to help keep this great communication tool going for our association next season.

THANK YOU to Hart and Laura Gilchrist for joining the website team this season! And many thanks to Chip Anderson, Roxana Strauss and Ron Strauss for their continued assistance and support on the website and the Goaltender this season!

**Youth Traveling Director** -- Bugs Malone 651.486.6561 [info@myhockeystick.com](mailto:info@myhockeystick.com)

To everyone who contributes to Roseville hockey, thank you. Players, parents, coaches and managers, your time and effort make our association a great place to play. It was an uneventful year for the Traveling Director and I think that is a good thing.

I'd ask, if you haven't already, take the time and send in your season ending evaluation form, found on the front of RAYHA web page. This is a great forum for our members to comment on the past season. Any topic is open for discussion. The coach evaluation area provides feedback for your past season and additional comments can cover anything hockey related that you may want changed or at least reevaluated. These evaluations can be anonymous and can be filled out without fear of future ramifications for your athletes. They are a great tool for the Board to stay in touch with what families are looking for out of our association. Help us keep Roseville a great place to play hockey.

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**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.

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

**Mark your calendars!** The 2008-09 season has just ended and that means planning for 2009-10 is taking place. Due to the Arena in the Rose room late Labor Day holiday in 2009, our registration dates will be slightly different than they normally are. Registration will be held at the Roseville:

**SUNDAY, September 13 from 11am-3pm and Monday, September 14 from 6-9 pm**

If you would like to help with registration, please let me know and we will add your name to the volunteer list!

**Registration process will change slightly for the 2009-10 season as well.**

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)
- Print the receipt with bar code and bring it to one of the registration sessions above.

**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 the roster books!**

## DISTRICT 2 TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEER WRAP UP

by Mike Murphy, RAYHA D2 Rep

As a part of District 2's commitment to us as an association, and the entire Minnesota hockey community our home district hosted several tournaments over the past month. These events included U-12A regionals, Jr. Gold Play downs, U-12B regionals, 19U-B State, as well as the district tournament for Squirts and 10U.

As a member of District 2, the Roseville association (along with Forest Lake, Mahtomedi, Mounds View, North St. Paul, Stillwater, Tartan and White Bear Lake has a commitment to help staff these tournaments and ensure their success for the athletes and spectators alike. This year, Roseville's commitment to these tournaments amounted to over 100 hours, spread out over 28 separate volunteer shifts. Failure to fill these shifts would result in fines of \$150 per shift (For those of you keeping track, that is nearly \$4500 dollars that would be paid by the parents of Roseville skaters, and not a dime of it would go towards our kids).

I cannot say enough positive things about the people listed below. In this list of volunteers, there are many veterans of previous tournaments, as well as team managers, coaches, booster club volunteers and board members - in other words folks that have already given a significant amount of time to allow our kids to play hockey.

I believe I said thank you during your shift, but the role you play is so vital to the success of Roseville hockey; it is worth repeating, "Thank you very much! Your generosity with your time and effort do not go unnoticed."

### 2009 District 2 Tournament Volunteer list

Tony Arias  
Steve Barrett  
Tim Boss  
Jill Bloss  
Jim Bulmer  
Jim Deeny  
Scott Erwin  
Janine Gaffney

Paul Harden  
Greg Hoag  
Kevin Keenan  
Kari Kennedy  
Beth Klaahsen (TWICE!)  
Jim Kortum  
Tom Lawrence

Angie Malone  
Dave Manders  
Mike Prohofsky  
Doug Ronsberg  
Charlie Rose  
Kris Swanson  
Torie Redpath

Kalie Schlossmacher  
Sonnie Schlossmacher  
Caleb Spear  
Bill Strait  
Diana Stasny  
Paul Stickler  
Judy Sventek  
Joe Wormwood

So, when you see these folks, be sure to say thanks. They continue to be the reason that the Roseville Area Youth Hockey Association is able to provide such a great opportunity for our kids.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Thanks* to District 2 Rep Mike Murphy for all of his efforts during these tournament volunteer shifts! As our D2 Rep, Mike represented RAYHA on ALL of our volunteer dates!

## **THANKS COACHES & MANAGERS!**

### **Coach and Manager Appreciation Evening**

**Saturday, April 25, 2009**

**6:00 – 9:00 pm**

**Little Venetian  
2900 Rice Street**

**(Rice St. and Market Place Dr. in Little Canada)**

Food (buffet style) and beverages (beer and pop) provided by RAYHA

Hope to see all the season's coaches, assistant coaches and managers there!



The time has come to hold our hand high,  
In appreciation for those we hold dear.  
To those who volunteer and help and plan,  
Without whom it would be terribly clear.

Without you, your skill, your patience and time,  
Our hockey season would not take flight.  
Your time and your talent make the game happen,  
Thanks are in order – it's only right.

You made it all happen, you taught the kids a lot,  
Thanks to you the kids learned and gained skill.  
So thank you and thank you a hundred times more,  
Our applause hands will never be still.

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

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.

### **APRIL 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

### **MAY 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.

### **JUNE 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

### **Happy Birthday to You!!!**

We LOVE birthdays at the Roseville Bingo Hall. The day of your birthday you receive your admission package FREE every session, just bring in your state ID. Monthly B-Day babies play ½ off admissions:

### **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! April Birthday Party is 4/19/09. May Birthday Party is 5/17/09. June Birthday Party is 6/28/09. All at 9 pm session.

### **MAY & JUNE SPECIALS**

May 10<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day! Come celebrate with door prizes all day. June 21<sup>st</sup> is Fathers Day AND the first day of summer. We will have door prizes all day on Sunday.

We now have our own web page for the Roseville Bingo Hall. Check it out at [www.rosevillebingo.com](http://www.rosevillebingo.com)

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

### THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thanks to everyone who purchased clothing and chuck a pucks over the course of the 2008-09 season. Another "thank you" goes to all of the volunteers that helped out over the course of the season. All profits from our sales go directly back into helping our youth hockey players. We couldn't do it without help from all of you! And one very special "thank you" to Barb Garbe, Beth Klaahsen and Kristine Rogers for their work in building the Booster Club into what it is today. Your tireless and often thankless work is greatly appreciated.

We will be spending the summer re-stocking items for fall and gathering ideas so we can accomplish even more next year. Look for the pasta dinner to return, as well as many other new to RAYHA events. If there are things you would like to see in inventory, or events you believe we should participate in, please contact us with your ideas.

### THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US THIS SEASON!

We'll see you all at Registration in September!

Bonnie Nelson, Ann Johnson & Heidi Murphy

#### Want to help the RAH Booster Club?

It's a great way to connect with other Roseville hockey families and give back to our association. Contact Bonnie Nelson [randevin@yahoo.com](mailto:randevin@yahoo.com), Ann Johnson [Ann@teampro.net](mailto:Ann@teampro.net) or Heidi Murphy [heidihm10@comcast.net](mailto:heidihm10@comcast.net) to find out how you can help today.