



## Morris Hockey Association News

### FUNDRAISER

It is time for the Willie's Shopping Spree Fundraiser!! Tickets will be sold for two chances to win a 2-minute shopping spree at Willie's Super Value in Morris. Tickets will be handed out the first of February. Each skater is required to sell a book of 10 tickets. Once again, prizes will be awarded to the top two ticket sellers.

### STATE/REGIONAL PEE WEE TOURNAMENT

This is a reminder that we will be hosting the State/Regional Pee Wee tournament the first weekend in March and will need extra workers as we will also have to operate the goal boxes. Please be watching for the sheets to be posted in the warming area and sign up for a shift or two.

### THANKS!!

Thanks to the following families for helping out at the fundraising tournament held a couple of weekends ago: Crandall, Picht, Folkman, Vipond, Ohren, Anderson, Delehanty, Gullickson, Moses, Segal, Griffith, Lampert, Finke, Smith, Staples and Watzke. If we missed anyone on the list, we are truly sorry, but MHA would like to thank everyone who took part in helping make it a fun weekend. Thanks also to anyone and everyone who helps out on a daily basis by picking up in the bleachers after games, cleaning up in the bathrooms, wiping up spills on the floors, helping to keep the warming room neat and clean. It takes the efforts of all of our volunteers to keep things running smoothly.

### WAY TO GO STORM!!!

There has been a lot of great publicity in the *Morris Sun Tribune* of the accomplishments, at all levels, of Storm hockey. The MBA Storm has a lot to be proud of and all of our kids and coaches are finding that hard work, discipline and teamwork really pay off. Congratulations to MBA Storm, at all levels, for a great season of hockey. Keep up the good work!!!

### BOARD MEETINGS

As a reminder, the MHA board meets the third Monday of every month at 8:00 p.m.. If you have questions or concerns about the program or are just interested in what's going on, please feel free to join us at a meeting. If there is something specific in nature you would like to discuss, please contact our board president, Juanita Staples, to get on the agenda.

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#### Morris Hockey Association Board Members - 2005

Juanita Staples – President 324-2650	Steve Delehanty - Secretary 795-2577	Darin Huot - Maintenance 589-0272
Jim Rentz – Vice President 589-4458	Jodi Crandall – Treasurer 589-3686	Ryan Watzke – Concessions 589-0046
Lonnie Anderson – Tournaments 585-5855	Rob Jergenson – Fundraising 589-3273	Ann Vipond – Membership 284-245

## **TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE NEWS**

**NEW MEMBERS FOR THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE ARE NEEDED.** The current Tournament Committee consists of: Lonnie Anderson – Tournament Committee Board Member; Gary Hansen – Advertising Sales and Puck Buck Coordinator; Deb Soine – Printing, programs, puck bucks, and medal labels; and Jean Schultz – MAHA tournament filing and work scheduler.

We are looking to add some new faces to the tournament committee to assure a smooth transition for the next couple of years. Lonnie Anderson no longer has an association player, Jean Schultz will not have an association player after this season, Deb Soine and Gary Hansen would have a player only one more year within the association. We need to begin a transition to members that will have players over the next few years.

Lonnie feels that the above-named people would be willing to work with a new group of individuals this next year to educate, help, etc. so that you will not be “left in the dark”.

The tournaments generate approximately \$5,000 in advertising revenue and each tournament turns a profit of approximately \$500/tournament for a total annual income of approximately \$7,500. This does not include the additional concessions generated during tournaments.

It is very important that individuals step up and continue the work needed to generate this income for our association.

A computer literate person would be helpful as an additional position to the above group. We would like to create a database of all e-mail addresses of associations within the tri-state area to e-mail our tournament information early. This might help to fill our tournaments early in the hockey season.

It is very important that 5-6 individuals step forward to begin this process now, at the close of the season, to see what transpired this past year, and plan for next year. Please contact **LONNIE ANDERSON** for information.

Tournament Coordinator:

A. Tournament Set Up

1. July - Set tournament dates in Let's Play Hockey
2. September – watch tournament entries and begin personal solicitations
3. October – begin personal solicitation of teams for early tournaments
4. October - Order Trophies and Medals
5. October - File tournaments with MAHA (Jean Schultz)
6. November – same personal solicitations
7. November – Print Puck Bucks (Deb)
8. December/January – as above

B. Advertising Sales

1. Line up the tournament committee for meeting in August / September
  - a. Gary Hanson 589-1971- Advertising Sales and “Puck Buck” Pickup
  - b. Deb Soine – 589-2931 – Prints medal labels, puck bucks, programs
  - c. Jean Schultz – 589-1944- Files tournament paperwork and work schedule
2. Review the “Puck Buck” business list for advertising dollars.

- a. August / September -Contact businesses for advertising dollars (Gary Hanson / Lonnie Anderson)