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Every year in September, the Association of American Hockey League Booster Clubs holds a convention where member booster clubs support each other by sharing information on successes throughout the past season and looking forward to the new season ahead. This convention has become known as "The Family Reunion". (American Hockey League Booster Club, n.d.).

Several members of the Rockford IceHogs Booster Club had the opportunity to attend the 51st Annual AAHLBC Convention in Albany, NY. Along with the planned activities and side trips (casinos, Baseball HOF, Football HOF, boat cruises), members get the chance to visit places on their own (Woodchuck Cidery, Hockey HOF, NHL Rookie Tournament). Keep an eye out on our website (www.icehogsboosterclub.org) to check out the fun.



**Happy Birthday
to all members with an
October birthday !**



Nancy, Rusty, and Kelly fundraising at the convention.

Booster Club Fundraising...

FUN FACT: *The Rockford IceHogs team name was selected by Rockford residents as a part of a fan poll held in conjunction with the Rockford Register Star. The name "IceHogs" beat other finalists including Rhinos, Mighty Oaks, Roughnecks, Ice Rangers, Rockets and Ricochet. (icehogs.com)*

Have you ever wondered what all the fundraising is all about? The Rockford IceHogs Booster Club has been very committed in helping local charities since its inception. We strive to seek creative ways to support local charities either by giving a monetary donation, collecting requested items and/or volunteering our time.

The money raised comes from our 50/50 raffle, jersey raffle, and selling merchandise during most home games throughout the season. To see the charities that have received donations, please visit our website www.icehogsboosterclub.org click on Community.

The next time you are at a home game, stop by the Booster Club table (by the escalator), and take a look at the merchandise. The items are geared towards all ages and make perfect stocking stuffers or gifts for your favorite IceHogs fan.

Is it October yet?

Many of us have been saying "Is it October yet?" since the minute the last season came to an end. There is nothing better than attending a game, spending time with our booster club/hockey family and hearing our announcer Chris yell "ICEHOGS GOAL". It seems like it has been years since we have all been together at the BMO; and yet, preseason is almost here - October 1st!

The Board and the Members of the Rockford IceHogs Booster Club wish the players, coaches and staff a successful year. We look forward to a great year supporting the Rockford IceHogs and our local charities.

Welcome Bob Mills!

The Rockford IceHogs *Booster Club* extends a warm welcome to the new voice of the Rockford IceHogs. Please join the Board and Members of the Booster Club in welcoming Bob Mills to the organization. Mr. Mills will assume the role of Communications Coordinator/Broadcaster and will be the IceHogs play by play broadcaster (Icehogs.com, n.d.).

Mills comes to Rockford after serving as the Director of Media Relations and Broadcasting with the ECHL's Orlando Solar Bears since the team's inception in 2012. A veteran broadcaster of over 400 professional games, Mills has also called games for the Chicago Express (ECHL), Bakersfield Condors (ECHL) and Gwinnett Gladiators (ECHL) (Icehogs.com, n.d.).



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