

Financial Responsibilities

Hockey is an expensive sport. We encourage all families to participate in the Candle Fundraiser to help defray their costs for the season. It is possible to earn credit on your assessments by selling the candles. As an example, for every \$200 worth of candles you sell you will earn a \$75 dollar credit towards your assessments. The candles are fairly easy to sell and are a good product. If you have any questions please call Cathy Bianchet 724-3702.

There is financial assistance available through DAHA. You must apply for the assistance at the DAHA office in person by October 25, 2006.

Ice assessments will be given to you by your team manager the first week of each month. Assessments must be paid by the 15th of each month. If your assessments are not paid your child will not be allowed to play. The Duluth Lakers Hockey Association has taken a strong stand on this issue from past years where many families just never paid. Over the past few years there have been improvements in the compliance and our goal is 100% compliance.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this issue.

Dear Laker hockey parents,

Yes, it's that time of year when the weather cools down and we begin to think about another year of hockey. There has always been a position on the board for Fundraising but it was never filled. Last year parents with prior experience in fundraising for other hockey associations came forth and were willing to fill the position for fundraising. They determined that it was a very challenging position and would require more than one person to fill the position. The position was changed to a Fundraising Committee with 2 co-chairs. It is hoped that this change would make the committee a success. We have had an exciting time this summer, with not a lot of effort, raising over \$3,000 for the Lakers. Our efforts along with all the volunteers helped us to have a successful fundraising summer. Please call Kerry or Sue to volunteer to be on the committee.

We want to inform every one of the plans that we have to raise funds for the Lakers this season. Our major fundraising project this year is the Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle. This is to be held in conjunction with the Spirit of Duluth Hockey tournament. We will expect that each team will work at the dinner and each player will be expected to sell raffle tickets. We will be mailing out letters to local businesses requesting donations very soon. Once the teams are formed and the managers are picked we will expect each team to make follow up calls to ask for donations from the businesses that we have sent letters to. Each team will need to have twelve items that can be raffled off during the spaghetti dinner. We hope to make this an annual event!

We also plan to hold a Squirt A hockey tournament January 12-14. We will need to fill positions such as penalty box attendants, time keepers, announcers, admission-ticket sales and raffle sales. This tournament will be held in Carlton as we are still in need of a home rink. More information will be coming to you as soon as teams are formed. We plan to put all information on the Web site to keep everyone informed. So book mark the Lakers web site @www.duluthlakershockey.com.

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