



APRIL 2009 NEWSLETTER



April 2009

Hello Members,

As I write my last letter to all of you I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you. I know the new incoming president whether it is Nancy Hanks or Peggy Cranford will do a great job of serving all of the booster club needs. I wish them the best.

Now onto bigger and greater things. How about those Rivermen??? They have been playing fantastic! Be sure to get your playoff tickets ordered. Because the playoffs will start right after the regular season, as I understand. So, if you don't want to get left out make that call.

I hope all of you that wanted to was able to sign up for the Year End Seasons Banquet. I know it is always a good time, good food and a lot of fun. There will be door prizes and the Mark Olson award and Pete BardezBanian award will be given out. Hope all of you took the opportunity to vote for Pete's award for most popular player. It is being held at the ITOO Hall on Farmington Road.

So enjoy the rest of the hockey season, have a terrific summer, and I will see you back at the rink this fall and at the booster club functions. Take care and go Rivermen!!

Joyce Basehoar

2008-2009 Board of Directors
PRESIDENT: JOYCE BASEHOAR
385-4648 Base55@verizon.net
VICE PRESIDENT: LINDA VLASIS
694-2257 Lvlasis10@aol.com
SECRETARY: LISA MURPHY
347-2690 Deppfan1@comcast.net
TREASURER: JOYCE MUTTON
303-3358 Races62@aol.com
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: NANCY HANKS
358-1877 Peoriahockeyfan@yahoo.com

2008-2009 Board Members:
Tracy Lane, Connie Dunkin, Trudy Stimpert, Peggy Cranford
Alternate: Sue Culshaw



A NOTE FROM COACH DAVIS PAYNE DATED MARCH 10, 2009.

Joyce my apologies to you and all the booster club membership for our oversight regarding the monthly meeting yesterday. It is ultimately my responsibility to see that everyone is aware and it slipped my mind. I won't attempt to try to find an excuse and as something that we consider very important and enjoyable, we are sorry we missed an opportunity to share an evening with you all. You would think I would be more inclined to miss something when we haven't had such a good weekend but I can tell you (and my wife will attest) that even though I take the same way home every day it is not unusual for me to miss an exit as I am lost in thought about our next power play or something. Please pass along my apologies to all the members. See you Sunday.

Davis Payne

Head Coach

Peoria Rivermen, AHL



APRIL 6TH END OF SEASON BANQUET



APRIL 12TH





Spotlighting The Rivermen

THREE TEAMS - THREE GOALIES - ONE WEEK
THE MOVES THE RIVERMEN PUT THEM THROUGH (Photos courtesy of Joyce Mutton)



03/04/09 - QUAD CITY FLAMES



03/06/09 - CHICAGO WOLVES



03/07/09 - ROCKFORD ICEHOGS

SPECIAL VISITORS (Photos courtesy of Joyce Mutton)



02/22/09 - BLUES NIGHT - DJ KING & ERIK JOHNSON



JOE RYBAR



03/06/09 - RIVERMEN HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

MORE RIVERMEN PLAYERS



CARL CORAZZINI



STEVE WAGNER



T J FAST



DANNY RICHMOND



MANNY LEGACE



YAN STASTNY



Spotlighting The Rivermen



CHRIS PORTER



JONAS JUNLAND



JONATHAN FILEWICH

SOME OF THE BEHIND THE SCENES TEAM MEMBERS



JAY RENNAU - TRANSPORTATION



JOEL FARNSWORTH - EQUIPMENT MANAGER
MIKE HANNEGAN - TRAINER



JOE FURIA - ASST TO JOEL

TWO SIDES OF ERIC NEILSON (Photos Courtesy of Joyce Mutton)



MISC PICTURES (COURTESY OF JOYCE MUTTON)



HIGH FIVE
DOWN LOW

Happy Birthday!

4/12 - Mary Jo Welch

4/16 - Cathy Roger

4/19 - John Sanders

4/22 - Bill Fowler

4/26 - Fred Claybaugh



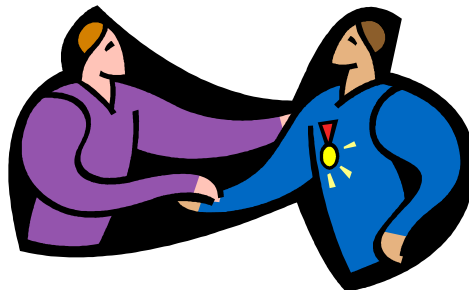
Eric Neilsen

Peoria Rivermen 2008-2009 American Specialty/AHL Man Of The Year



Eric is one of 29 finalists for AHL 2008-2009 Yanick Dupre Memorial Award

Eric has volunteered for numerous events at local schools, hospitals and organizations. He was a waiter at a Children's Hospital of Illinois benefit, one of the nominations to have his hair dyed pink for the Mary Kay Ash Foundation, rang bells for Salvation Army at Christmas time. Eric has read stories and played games with preschoolers and school children. He is on the first to volunteer for an event & always willing to step in at the last minute for whatever needs to be done. He also serves as co-host on the team's radio post-game show. In recognition of his efforts, Eric will be presented with an etched crystal trophy during an on-ice presentation prior to an upcoming home game. On the ice Eric is an enforcer but if you have a chance to meet him off ice you will see why he is a fan-favorite.





Congratulations!

2009 – 2010 board of directors

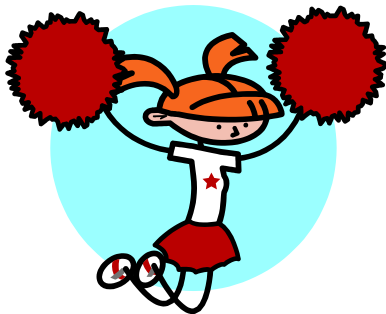
PRESIDENT - PEGGY CRANFORD

VICE PRESIDENT - LINDA VLASIS

SECRETARY - LISA MURPHY

TREASURER - BETTY STONE

SERGEANT OF ARMS - TRACY LANE



go rivermen

we're behind you all the way



