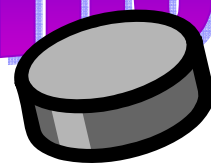




# Bison Blueline

November 2007



## REMINDER: **ALL** BYHA Wreath and Candle Orders Due Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>



ALL wreath and candle orders are due in the Fundraising Coordinator's drop box in the new arena, no later than Friday, October 26th.



## Wreath Handout!!

Thona and Mark Olson have once again been so gracious to provide their detached garage for this year's wreath and candle handout. Please thank the Olson's when you see them at the rink!

### Wreath/Candle Pick-up Dates are:

Saturday, November 17, 2007	9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Sunday, November 18, 2007	10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Monday, November 19, 2007	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Tuesday, November 20, 2007	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Wreath pick up is at Thona and Mark Olson's detached garage (5407 Davern Avenue NE, Buffalo)



Directions from Buffalo Civic Center:  
 Turn RIGHT out of Buffalo Civic Center parking lot.  
 Turn RIGHT (west) onto Highway 55.  
 Turn RIGHT (north) onto Highway 25 [3.25 miles (5 minutes)].  
 Turn RIGHT (east) onto 50<sup>th</sup> Street NE [1.50 miles (4 minutes)]  
 Turn LEFT (north) onto Davern Avenue NE [0.40 miles (1 minute)]  
 Arrive End at 5407 Davern Avenue NE Buffalo, MN

## College Hockey is Once Again Coming to Buffalo!!

Buffalo Youth Hockey Association has been given a unique opportunity of hosting another college hockey game. St. Olaf College will be playing the University of Wisconsin Stout 7:00 pm on Friday, November 9, 2007.

There are also a few volunteer opportunities still available. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact Seth James at 763-682-5164.

Tickets will be available at the door. Contact Seth James regarding purchasing tickets ahead of time.

Hope to see you there!! Bring your hockey players and show the BYHA spirit!



## Administrative Board meetings!

BYHA board meetings meet the second **WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7:00 PM at the Buffalo Civic Center.

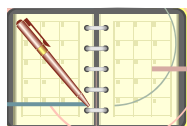
The Admin Board invites all BYHA members to attend.

Please call the President two (2) weeks before the meeting to be placed on the agenda.

Word of the Month:  
***Dignity!!***



## Announcing...



### BYHA's 2007-2008 Schedule of Events!!

#### NOVEMBER

November 9, 2007 — BYHA hosts St. Olaf vs.  
Stout College Hockey Game  
November 9-11, 2007 — Squirt "B" Tournament  
November 17-20, 2007 — Wreath Handout  
November 30, 2007 — Girl's "A" Tournament  
November **TBD**, 2007 — Break the Ice Social

#### DECEMBER

December 1-2, 2007 — Girl's "A" Tournament  
December **TBD**, 2007 — Squirt Buffalo Cup

#### JANUARY

January 4-6, 2008 — Pee wee "B" & "C"  
Tournament

#### FEBRUARY

February 29, 2008 — Squirt "B" and Girl's U10B  
Tournament

#### MARCH

March 1-2, 2008 — Squirt "B" and Girl's U10B  
Tournament  
March 7-9, 2008 — VFW District Bantam "A"  
Tournament

### Fundraising Overview

#### REQUIRED Participation:

- KWIK TRIP PIZZA (at registration)

All Players      \$30

Every BYHA player must purchase 3 Kwik Trip pizza certificates at registration (3 x \$10 = \$30). The certificates will be disseminated at the parent meetings in October.

#### REQUIRED Participation or Buyout:

- WREATH & CANDLES

Mini-Mite	\$30
Mite/U8	\$55
Squirt/U10	\$105
Pee Wee/U12	\$105
Bantam/U14	\$105
Jr. Gold	\$105

Orders and payment (1 check for Wreaths & 1 check for Candles) due in Fundraising Coordinator's box in new ice arena, on or before October 26, 2007.

Wreath and candle pick-up November 17-20, 2007

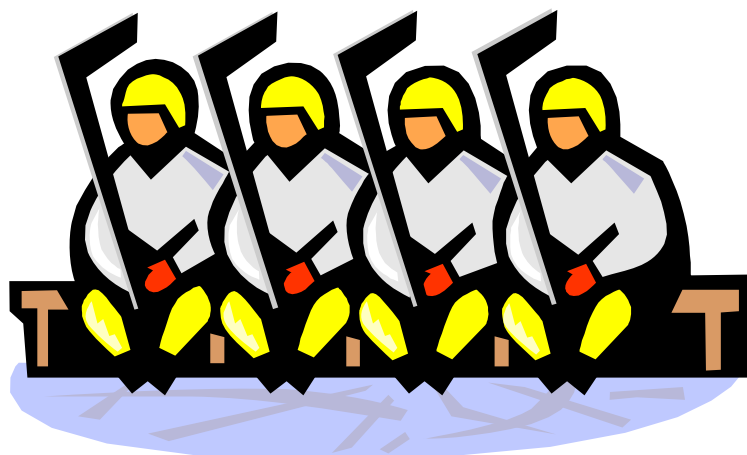
#### OPTIONAL Participation:

- BREAK THE ICE SOCIAL

BYHA Break The Ice Social. Date and Time TBD.

- KWIK TRIP Package

All players have the opportunity to sell additional pizza certificates throughout the hockey season and receive ice credit.



### Gambling Report

**CURRENT** Gambling Report:  
This will be provided with next  
month's newsletter.



# BYHA Administration



BOARD OF DIRECTORS		
Position: Name	Phone	Term Expires
President: Tom Crane	763.639.8723	April, 2008
Vice President: Donnie Thompson	763.682.0238	April, 2008
Secretary: Cathie Rutherford	763.682.5301	April, 2010
Treasurer: Pam Thomas	763.684.1774	April, 2008
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Director: Bob Furneisen	763.682.3841	April, 2010
Director: Scott Goodmanson	763.682.5512	April, 2009
Director: Brenda McDonald	763.684.1338	April, 2009
Director: Leslie O'Neill	763.432.0245	April, 2010
Director: Steve Pearson	763.682.7775	April, 2009

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Position: Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC Director/VP: Bob Jernberg	612.578.3323	May, 2008
Director of Hockey Development: Jim Rooney	763.684.0639	May, 2009
Coaching Director: Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	
ACE/HEP & Assistant Coaching coordinator: Dan Ackmann	763.682.1332	
Tryout Director: Eric Lindvall	763.498.7931	May, 2009
Scheduling Director: Jeff Carlen	320-493-0876	May, 2009
A, B, C Director: Ken Basten	763.682.9006	May, 2008
Squirt Director: Bill VanBergen	763.682.1624	May, 2008
Girls Director: Bob Driver	763.477.9093	May, 2009
U8 Director: Tom McDonald	763.684.1338	May, 2008
Boys High School Coach: Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	—
Girls High School Coach: Ray Dahlof		—
BYHA President: Tom Crane	763.639.8723	April, 2008

VOLUNTEERS	
Position: Name	Phone
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Metro Rep: Bill Vollbrecht	763.498.7261
Equipment Manager: Eric Lindvall	763.498.7931
Fundraising Coordinator: Cathie Rutherford	763.682.5301
Marketing Coordinator: Bob Furneisen	763.682.3841
Picture Coordinator: Kris Thompson	763.682.0238
Purchasing Coordinator: Tom Crane	763.639.8723
Registration Coordinator: Ann Russett and Angie Lithgow	763.498.7889 763.286.4269
S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator: Kim Wahl	763-682-5817
Sponsor Coordinator: Scott Goodmanson	763.682.5512
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator: Brenda McDonald	763.684.1338
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator: Jen Morningstar	612.860.0193
Tournament Coordinator: Missy Otten	612. 282.5848
Volunteer Coordinator: Monica Kunkel	763.682.6391
Website Administrator: Shawn Oberg	763-477-5428
Billing Managers: Biz Coudron ( <i>Invoicing</i> ) Barb Renshaw ( <i>Bank Deposits</i> ) Shane Burns ( <i>Collections</i> )	763.498.7333 763.315.8745 763.477.9833



## October Board Meeting



- **Gambling Report:**

— Thona was absent from this meeting. This month's gambling report will be presented along with next month's gambling report at the November Administrative Board Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM.

- **President's Report:**

— Tom spoke to how the program keeps improving year after year.

- **Secretary's Report:**

— *Correction from last month's Administrative Board Meeting Minutes:*

*Previous Newsletter:* Steve Pearson motioned to eliminate the BYHA scholarship program entirely. There much discussion about this. There was no second; motion did not pass.

*Correction:* John Connor, as read by an email from Steve Pearson motioned to eliminate the BYHA scholarship program due to financial concerns for the association. There much discussion about this. After a better understand of the scholarship program, where, in fact, no one receives 100% coverage (scholarships are 25% or 75% of ice time only), and stipulations regarding extra volunteer time and fundraising are present, John withdrew the motion.

Brenda motioned to approve the last month's meeting minutes as amended above; Steve seconded; motion approved unanimously.

- **Treasurer's Report:**

— In the future, check request forms will be completed with documentation attached, and placed in the appropriate folder in the file cabinet in the old arena. The check requests will be collected from the file on a monthly basis, signatures will be obtained at the monthly Board meeting and checks will be mailed the following day.

— Pam is to provide the Board with a summary report of checks written (amounts and to where) and dollars received on a monthly basis for planning purposes.

— BYHA SCHOLARSHIPS: Mike O'Neill requested further information about the BYHA scholarship program:

There is a BYHA scholarship program committee of 3 people, which is anonymous. These individuals have experience with college financial aid, etc. Tom Crane is the contact person currently. This group meets as needed.

Each year the Board allots a certain amount of money for that season to fund these scholarships.

Qualification depends on whether or not family is eligible for free or reduced lunch program through the school district.

Scholarships consist of either 25% or 75% of ice fees only. This does not include registration, USA insurance, etc.

Stipulations include recipients to do excessive fundraising (whereby if profits from fundraising for these families are more than their expenses, those monies revert back to BYHA), tournament shifts, etc.

Scholarships are given on an annual basis. Individuals must apply each year.

The money that funds the BYHA scholarship program comes from the general fund.

Mike O'Neill mentioned about the possibility of obtaining corporate sponsorships for qualifying families. This is something we could look into next year.

- **Registration Report:**

— The final Registration session scheduled for this season is October 11, 2007, 4:30 – 8:30 pm at the Buffalo Civic Center.

— Registration went very smoothly this year. Preventing people from going on the ice until outstanding balances were paid and birth certificates supplied, etc. really helped the registration process. Also, about 100 people registered on-line this year.

— Numbers registered to-date:

Total: 420  
Mini-mites: 117  
Mite: 99  
Squirt: 56  
Peewee: 44  
Bantam: 42  
Girls U10: 28  
Girls U12: 19  
Girls U14: 13  
Jr. Gold: 3

— Brenda McDonald is going to have the Initiation Team Managers write a \$50 check out and not cash unless the team book is not returned at the end of the season.

- **Tournament Report:**

— Missy presented to the board a proposal for purchasing tournament bracket/pool play boards. After discussing the financial benefit, Brenda motioned to approve the purchase of 4 boards; Cathie seconded; motion carried unanimously.

— All of our tournaments are full and closed except for the November Squirt B tournament with 11 teams. For this tournament we want 12, preferably 16.

— U10A tournament has 2 openings.

— The February/March Squirt "A" tournament will be eliminated and we will increase the Squirt "B" and Girls "U10" team openings.

- **Manager Report:**

— Anyone interested in being a team manager for squirt level and above should contact Jen Morningstar at





## October Board Meeting



612.860.0193. Jen will notify selected team managers when the meeting team manager will be.

— Brenda McDonald is going to be the coordinator for initiation level managers.

- Equipment Report:

— Jersey's are at the printers.

- District 5 Report:

— The Secretary's report was described as being "on the web". All that meant was that if you want to read the minutes from the last meeting go to the D-5 web site and you can read them. Apparently some people read it and saw that it was good. Motion to approve the minutes was made and passed unanimously. I did not go to the web but I trust the minutes are fine.

— Treasurer's report was made by the new Treasurer. D-5 has \$29,029.50 in checking, \$4,662.04 in savings, and \$2276.12 in the referee account. The new Treasurer did not bring enough copies of his report so I did not get one. I will say however, that the report looked very nice and was quite detailed to the point of itemizing each check or expense, the date, the expense category, and the name of the person receiving the check. The same was done with deposits.

— MN Hockey report was given by Doug Kephart. All sanctioned tournaments will be posted on the MN Hockey web site. D-5 received \$1,040 from excess funds of program sales at Wild games. Future program sales will result in a \$1,000 donation from the Wild to the association working the games regardless of how many programs are sold. BYHA will not be selling programs this season.

— The 2008-2009 season will be longer under the current proposal. Mike McMillan has the details on this proposal but was not available to share them with us at the meeting.

— MN Hockey will be visiting each association in the near future to have new affiliation agreements signed.

— Screening forms for association board members are due ASAP. Forms for coaches and managers can be sent with registration materials.

— D-5 developments fund has been established. There is a \$50 fee from invitational tournaments that will be put into the fund. Annual average of deposits are estimated at \$600. Funds will be spent on initiation programs in the district to purchase items needed but not budgeted by the association. More to follow on this.

— Lakeville tried to move from D-8 to D-6. Their attempt to secede from D-8 was DENIED by D-8 and MN Hockey. Lakeville will stay in D-8.

— Girls hockey totals: 14UA-3 teams, 12UA-2 teams, 12UB-7 teams, 10UA-2 teams, 10UB-8 teams. All "A" teams play in D-10. Girls State meeting is October 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM at the Kelly's Inn in St. Cloud.

— 14UA meetings are October 11<sup>th</sup> at Champlin Forum at 7 PM. 12UA and 10 UA meetings are also in Champlin on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. The rest is "on the web".

— Sue Farniok from Buffalo needs to contact the girls coordinator so that they can get the rest of her information such as phone numbers and address.

— LDC is hosting the 8U tournament Feb. 23-24.

— Move-ups were brought up by Kephart. They will be allowed as long as the association has a policy regarding move-ups and the move ups are based upon the peer group by grade.

— Terry Dvorak is the new ACE administrator.

— Coaches clinics will be Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> for level 1, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> for level 2 and Nov. 27-28 for level 3. All are at Mound. Directions on the web.

— You can download a minor officials handbook "on the web" at [usahockey.com](http://usahockey.com)

— Mini mite jamboree is Feb. 29-Mar 2 at Mound

— Mite jamboree is Mar 7-9 at Mound. More on "the web"

— Buffalo was offered the early Mite jamboree. We declined.

— Reminder: Saturday, October 27, 2007 BYHA President, coaches and team managers must attend a meeting at the Dassell High school. 8:30 AM check in; meeting starts at 9:00 am. Someone needs to be in attendance for EACH team; failure to attend equals fines and/or suspensions.

— Mandatory girl's coach and manager meetings for D10 is November 7<sup>th</sup> (U12A and U14A) and 8<sup>th</sup> (U10A) at the Champlin Legion at 7pm.

- Metro Report: — N/A

### Hockey Operations Report:

#### 1. Head Coach Recommendations

Bantam B: Dave Carothers was the Bantam B head coach. He is now moving to work as an assistant coach at the Highschool JV level. Therefore HOC is recommending that Jim Sundell be approved to fill the Bantam B position (he was previously approved as the Pee wee B head coach).

Squirt B teams: John Daugherty, Mike Golden, Mike O'Borsky, Dale Hartman, and Dave Zitur (Dave will coach the 5<sup>th</sup> team until the "A" team is selected)

Jr. Gold: Dave Callicot

U10B: Tom Crane

U12B: Cory Carlson

Brenda motioned to approved nominees; Scott seconded; motion carried unanimously.

#### 2. Tryouts: volunteers lined up.

3. Parent Meeting: Information was passed out at the parent meetings regarding BYHA following all MSHSL rules as it relates to alcohol, tobacco and drugs. State High School league rules will be the minimum disciplinary action.

4. Bob Jernberg attended the District 3 Rules and Teams meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup> at the Plymouth arena. All information was forwarded to Tom Crane and Jeff Carlen. Scheduling meeting is October 16<sup>th</sup> at Plymouth arena. Our Pee wee C team will play in D3 as well as D5 because post-season tournaments are at different times. This is approved by both districts.



## October Board Meeting



The Bantam C team will play only in D3 because D5 does not have a Bantam C league.

5. HOC has been reorganized. Below are the updated positions:

Hockey Operations Director/VP: Bob Jernberg  
Director of Hockey Development: Jim Rooney  
Coaching Director: Mike MacMillan  
Ace/HEP and Assistant Coaching Coordinator: Dan Ackmann  
Tryout Director: Eric Lindvall  
Scheduling Director: Jeff Carlen  
A, B, C Director: Ken Basten  
Squirt Director: Bill VanBergen  
Girls Director: Bob Driver  
U8 Director: Tom McDonald  
Girls HS Coach: Ray Dahlof  
Boys HS Coach: Mike MacMillan  
Administration Board President: Tom Crane

- **Sponsor Report:**

- Scott needs to finalize the plaques and distribute them (for 2006-2007 season).

- **Fundraising Report:**

- The golf tournament was a fun event. Cathie is still waiting for the Wild Marsh invoice and an overview of all sponsorships to finalize financials.
  - Wreath and Candle orders are due no later than Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - Kwik Trip certificates will be distributed at the parent meetings, for tracking purposes. Those families that do not attend a parent meeting will receive their certificates after the teams form and will be distributed through team managers.

- **Marketing Report:**

- We received a refund from the company who did the mailing this year, as the mailers were sent out later than they were supposed to.

- **Old Business:** — N/A

- **New Business:**

- Seth James is the contact for heading up the November 9, 2007 U of Wisconsin-Stout/St. Olaf game.
  - Mike MacMillan is working on another game next year for women's college hockey.
  - Shawn Oberg, a new BYHA member, has agreed to be the new BYHA webmaster. All web content should be funneled through Shawn from this time forward. Shawn's email address can be found on the website.
  - The "Official" S.K.A.T.E. program is on a permanent hold due to issues the company that runs the program is undergoing. However, the BYHA Administration Board feels that this program is so important and youths should be acknowledged for maintaining school grades while participating in as time-consuming a sport as hockey. Therefore, BYHA has determined that we will do our own version of it. Kim Wahl is the new SKATE coordinator. More information to follow on this.

- **Public Forum:**

- Minor officials training is scheduled for November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Buffalo Civic Center. Learn how to run the clock, do the score sheet, and other basics of how the penalty box works.

- **Attendees:**

- Tom Crane, Bob Furneisen, Scott Goodmanson, Brenda McDonald, Leslie O'Neill, Steve Pearson, Cathie Rutherford, Bob Jernberg, Mike MacMillan, Jen Morningstar, Sean Oberg, Eric Lindvall, Missy Otten, Mike O'Neill, Tia Crane

- **Absent Board Member(s):** John Conner, Pam Thomas, Donnie Thompson

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.



## Boy's Varsity and Junior Varsity Hockey Schedule



### Boy's VARSITY Hockey Schedule for 2007-2008 Season

Date and Time	Opponent	Location
Fri 11/16/07 TBA	Fall Scrimmage Fest	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 11/17/07 TBA	Fall Scrimmage Fest	Buffalo Civic Center
Fri 11/23/07 TBA	Bison vs TBA	Plymouth Ice Center
Sat 11/24/07 TBA	Bison vs TBA	Plymouth Ice Center
Thu 12/6/07 7pm	Bison vs Cambridge/Isanti	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 12/8/07 3pm	Bison vs Moorhead	Buffalo Civic Center
Thu 12/13/07 7pm	STMA vs Bison	Albertville Ice Arena
Sat 12/15/07 7pm	MAML vs Bison	Monticello Ice Arena
Tue 12/18/07 7pm	Rogers vs Bison	Rogers Ice Arena
Thu 12/20/07 7pm	Bison vs Cloquet	Buffalo Civic Center
Thu 12/27/07 TBA	Bison vs TBA	Grahm
Fri 12/28/07 TBA	Bison vs TBA	Grahm
Sat 12/29/07 TBA	Bison vs TBA	Grahm
Thu 1/3/08 7pm	Becker/Big Lake vs Bison	Monticello Ice Arena
Thu 1/10/08 7pm	Bison vs MAML	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 1/12/08 3pm	Roseau vs Bison	RAM's Sports Arena
Thu 1/17/08 7pm	Cambridge/Isanti vs Bison	Isanti Rec Center
Sat 1/19/08 3pm	Bison vs STMA	Buffalo Civic Center
Thu 1/24/08 7pm	Bison vs Rogers	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 1/26/08 3pm	Bison vs Becker/Big Lake	Buffalo Civic Center
Tue 1/29/08 7pm	Princeton vs Bison	Princeton Ice Arena
Thu 1/31/08 7pm	Bison vs Princeton	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 2/2/08 3pm	Bison vs Robbinsdale/Armstrong	Buffalo Civic Center
Thu 2/7/08 7pm	Wayzata vs Bison	Plymouth Ice Center
Sat 2/9/08 3pm	Edina vs Bison	Brammer Ice Arena
Thu 2/14/08 7pm	Bison vs Minnetonka	Buffalo Civic Center
Sat 2/16/08 3pm	Hopkins vs Bison	Hopkins Ice Arena



## Girl's Varsity Hockey Schedule



### Girls VARSITY Hockey Schedule for 2007-2008 Season

Date	Time	Opponent	Site
11/13/2007	7:30 PM	North Metro Stars (6AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/15/2007	7:00 PM	Saint Cloud Tech (8AA)	Saint Cloud Tech H.S.
11/15/2007	7:00 PM	Saint Cloud Tech (8AA)	Saint Cloud Tech H.S.
11/20/2007	7:00 PM	Rogers/Zimmerman (6AA)	Rogers H.S.
11/23/2007	5:30 PM	Elk River (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/23/2007	5:30 PM	Bemidji (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/23/2007	7:30 PM	Brainerd/Crosby-Ironton High S (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/24/2007	1:00 PM	Elk River (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/24/2007	1:00 PM	Bemidji (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/27/2007	7:00 PM	N Wright Cty River Hawks (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
11/30/2007	7:00 PM	White Hawks (5A)	Thaler Arena
12/1/2007	7:00 PM	Robbinsdale Armstrong (6AA)	Buffalo H.S.
12/4/2007	7:30 PM	River Lakes Stars (8AA)	Paynesville Ice Arena
12/8/2007	7:00 PM	Wayzata (6AA)	Buffalo H.S.
12/11/2007	7:00 PM	Edina (2AA)	Edina H.S.
12/14/2007	7:00 PM	Orono (5A)	Buffalo H.S.
12/15/2007	7:00 PM	Minnetonka (2AA)	Buffalo H.S.
12/15/2007	7:00 PM	Minnetonka (2AA)	Buffalo H.S.
12/18/2007	7:00 PM	Hopkins (6AA)	Hopkins H.S.
12/18/2007	7:00 PM	Hopkins (6AA)	Hopkins H.S.
12/21/2007	7:00 PM	Cambridge-Isanti (7AA)	Buffalo H.S.
1/4/2008	7:00 PM	Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato (2A)	Litchfield Civic Arena
1/8/2008	7:00 PM	Princeton (7A)	Buffalo H.S.
1/11/2008	7:00 PM	Rogers/Zimmerman (6AA)	Buffalo H.S.
1/15/2008	7:00 PM	N Wright Cty River Hawks (8AA)	Monticello H.S.
1/18/2008	7:30 PM	White Hawks (5A)	Buffalo H.S.
1/19/2008	7:30 PM	Saint Cloud Icebreakers (8AA)	Buffalo H.S.
1/22/2008	7:00 PM	Orono (5A)	Orono H.S.
1/25/2008	7:00 PM	Cambridge-Isanti (7AA)	Isanti County Area David C. Johnson Civic Arena
1/29/2008	7:00 PM	Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato (2A)	Buffalo H.S.
2/1/2008	7:00 PM	Princeton (7A)	Princeton H.S.



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