



Hall of Fame Kathy Bethard

- Born March 17, 1945, in Long Beach, California.
- Grew up Downey, California, graduated from UCLA in 1967 with a BS in economics, where she met and married Frank Bethard, in 1966.
- July 1971, Moved to Alaska with husband Frank and son Brian.
- Kathie's sense of community and need to help and give back began in High School and continues strong today.
- Her career in hockey began in 1975 when her boys started playing.
- 1976-1982 Scheduled all games and kept player statistics for AHA (Anchorage Hockey Association), served as the team manager for many teams through the years to include the 1990 Bantam National Champions.
- Served as Tournament Director for the Squirt Alcan Tournament from 1979-83
- Chaired Regional Tournaments from 1979-83
- Chaired the Bantam National Tournament 2002
- She served on the AHA Board of Directors for 6 years, as well as serving as their President for 2 years, served on the Alaska All Star Board of Directors for 10 years.
- Worked on the founding Board of Directors for the University of Alaska Seawolf Hockey Blueliner Club where she served for 9 years as a Board Member and 2 as the Board President.
- 1983-94 Organized a summer league for returning Junior and Collegiate hockey players, as well as competitive minor hockey players to help maintain and develop skills during the summer
- Ran Russian Jack Rotary Fall League for 10 years, a pre-season high school league
- Worked with the Anchorage Organizing committee, a group of local business individuals and politicians formed to bring the winter Olympics to Anchorage AK. Served as chairperson for their many international tournaments, including the USA Olympic team..
- 1989-2001: She co-chaired the World Junior Hockey tournament, with Frank Nosek, that The AOC sponsored during 1989.
- 2001 Special Olympic World Games Chairman for floor hockey officials, organized the officials and trained more than 100 volunteers to officiate the games.
- 2020-2022 she chaired the Save Seawolf Hockey Organization to reinstate the University of Alaska, Anchorage Hockey Team, the group raised over 3 million dollars to become reinstated.
- 2022- President and Chairman of the Seawolf Hockey Alliance, Inc DBA, the Seawolf 5th Line. A newly formed organization developed to help sustain the University of Alaska Anchorage Hockey program.
- Mother of 3 Division I athletes, and Nana to 8 athletes.

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