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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

What a team we have this year!! Despite a few injuries and many call-ups, we remain at the top of the ECHL. They are giving us a hockey season to remember.

Thanks to all of you who came to the Christmas Party. I would appreciate an email from any of those who attended with your thoughts about the party, whether positive or negative. Comments will help us plan future parties. If you prefer to write an anonymous note, please feel free to do so. We would just like to get the feedback.

The ornament auction again raised over \$1,200 for our team. For those of you who are new to the Booster Association, we use the majority of the money raised from this auction to pay for the Christmas presents for the players. Thanks to all of you who bid and won the ornaments. The Official SC Stingrays Tervis Tumblers are selling well and we continue to have them available for purchase at every game.

We have many items coming up for sale, raffle and/or auction including a stick signed by the 1997 Kelly Cup Championship team, a framed stingrays print, two pictures painted by Ryan Grimshaw and Wayne Simpson during our holiday visit to the MUSC Children's Hospital, and much more. We might have something different at each game so stop by and take a look at what we have available.

Tailgate Fundraisers will be held before the games on Saturday, January 25th – Pack the House Night and on Saturday, February 22nd – Pink-in-the-Rink. Plates will sell for \$7.00 each. We will start serving at 4:00 p.m. so please plan to eat with us and tell your friends and family.

~ Nancy Sullivan, President



Thank you for the donations! You guys are awesome, and the boys really appreciate the snacks and things the Boosters provide for them on the bus! A few specifics the guys like:

- 1- Minute Rice- pre-cooked in heat and serve bowls (I would probably put 4 of these on the bus for a day trip to GWT or GNV so I don't need a lot of them)
 - 2- dark chocolate bars
 - 3- milk and chocolate milk in pint size containers
 - 4- Slim Jims
- Water and Gatorade are the two things the team

uses the most of. I can always use it. Here are some other items the team could use on the bus: boxes of individually packaged snacks such as animal crackers, chips, pretzels, cheezits, cookies, nuts, trail mix, SlimJims, etc. I have had several people volunteer to bake cookies and things for the bus. (Thank you ladies!) But there are lots of guys and a long season ahead, so if you'd like to bake something for the bus, we can use it! Let me know if and when you'd like to bake something so I can adjust quantities on other items. The snack area on the bus is teeny tiny. And please remember, baked items need to be put in individual servings in ziplock bags. Lastly, donations are greatly appreciated! You can now make donations to the Road Pack Committee via PayPal.

Thank you for helping to support our team!!

~ Tess Hagan

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Players, Boosters, Coaches & Staff Make Their Annual Visit and Gift to the MUSC Children's Hospital, December 18Th, 2013

Photography by Jennifer Wallis



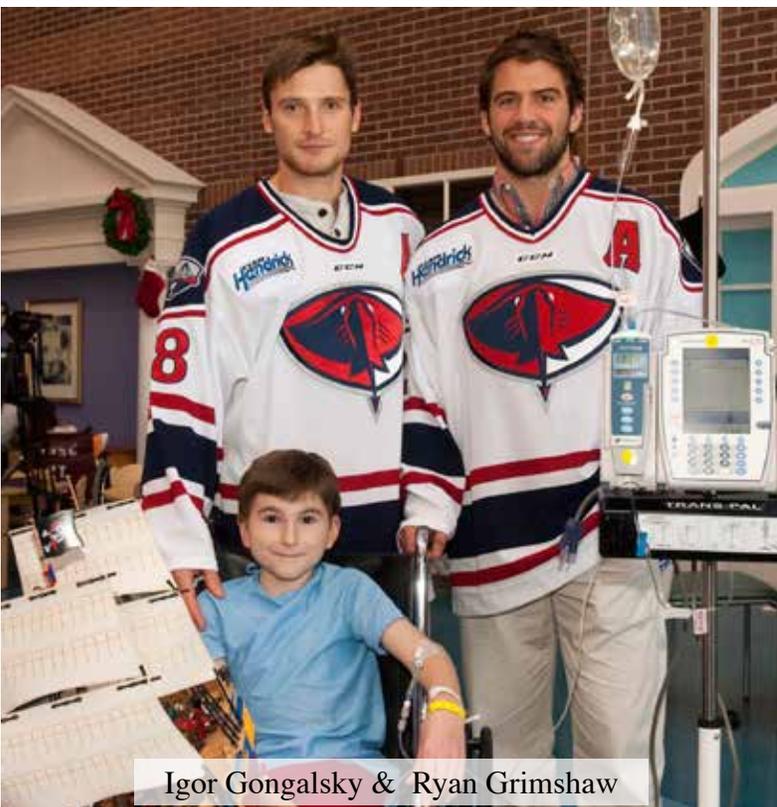
Head Coach Spencer Carbery playing pool.



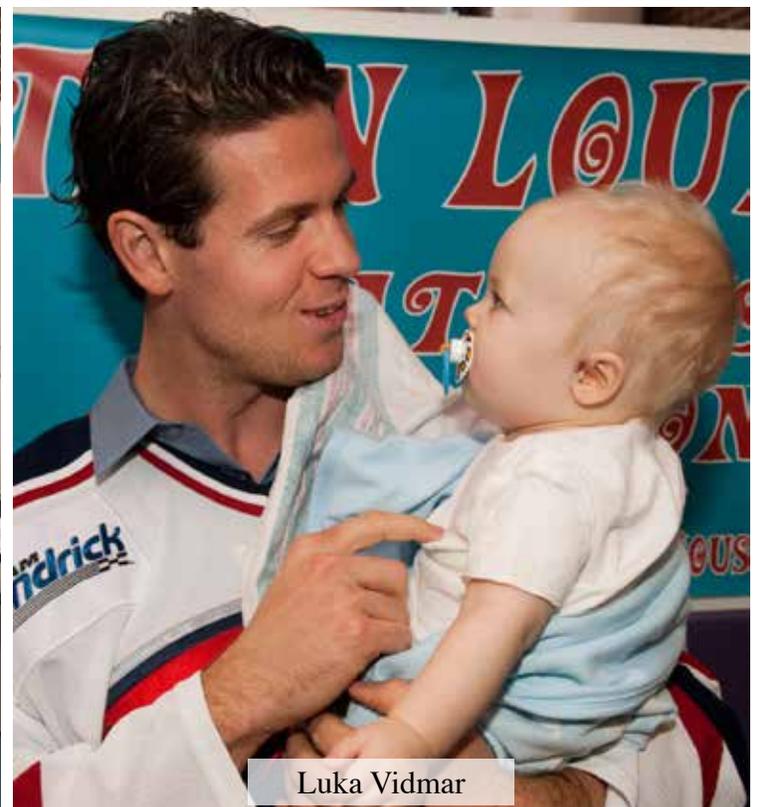
Ryan Grimshaw playing trains.



Joey Z acting like a big kid.



Igor Gongalsky & Ryan Grimshaw



Luka Vidmar



The Booster Club is again collecting child themed band-aids to be donated to MUSC Childrens Hospital. MUSC provides latex free band-aids but they are the same as would be used on an adult. As any parent/grandparent knows that hurt goes away a lot faster with a “Barbie”, “Camo”, “Snoopy”, or a colorful Band-Aid. The nurses at MUSC also know this, so they would use their own money to buy

band-aids to use on the children.

When Berkeley was at MUSC, I discovered what the nurses were doing and remembered that we collected several hundred boxes of latex free band-aids to take to Johnstown, PA to donate when we played them. So why not try it here. We have a lot of parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles coming to each hockey game. If each would bring one or two boxes we could ease a lot of hurts at MUSC. We have collected approximately 325 boxes each season since starting this campaign. If you do the simple math that doesn't come any where close to our nightly attendance, let alone the years attendance.

If you could please pass the word to anyone you know that is coming to a Stingrays hockey game and ask them to bring one or two boxes to donate. That

Band-Aid could be put on some child you want very much to protect from hurting.

The band-aids MUST be latex free. It will state latex free on the box. BandAid brand are **NOT** latex free. The good part is, the ones that are latex free are the less expensive ones. Great places to find them are WalMart, Family Dollar, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, and stores of that type. You could also pick up a box or two when you are grocery shopping. Remember please pass the word on to as many people as you can.

Bring them to the next game and drop them off at the Booster Club table or at the Stingrays table. There is a small bag or box at each location for you to drop them in.

Thanks ~ Ken and Barbara Brenneman

MEMBERSHIP

I would like to welcome to our new members: The Ruquet family – Jon and Ann; and The Niesen Family – Adam and Becky.

I would love for a volunteer to help me with the telephoning of members who do not have email. We have about 15 members that would need to be called about meetings and with last minute announcements. Let me know if you are interested.

If you have a change of address, phone number, or email address please let me know. I email the newsletters and announcements, so it is important that I have the correct email address. I may be contacted at 762-1274, bethbell52@yahoo.com, or raysboosternews@gmail.com.

~Beth Bell, Membership

JANUARY	
Laurie Brenneman	1/2
Mark Wright	1/5
Marilyn Kunzog	1/6
John Miller	1/9
Stephanie Rios	1/12
Dave Bell	1/13
George Staats	1/13
Russell Harley	1/14
Tim Hobby	1/15
Anne Clark	1/16
Susan Kaufman	1/16
Roy Corbin	1/17
Anita Zucker	1/19
Jacob Rios	1/21
Jack Downing (#20)	1/24
Maria Hale	1/25
Ryan Grimshaw (#2)	1/28

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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MEMBERSHIP MEETING – Sunday, January 19th – 6:00 p.m.
Park Circle Recreation Building – 4800 Park Circle

Tailgate Fundraisers – Saturdays, January 25th and February 22nd – 4:00 p.m. – Plates - \$7.00

