

Hello AHYHA Association Members,

We all know that hockey is an expensive sport. We, as an association, are trying to help ***out with the cost as much as we can. One of the ways in which we can succeed at this is to raise money to help pay for your child's hockey dues by working at the Target Field, TCF Stadium (Gopher football games), Renaissance Festival and the Dome.*** AHYHA is also in the process of trying to get a concession stand at the Xcel Energy Center for Wild Games. We are trying to find out the level of interest in participating in working at the Xcel to find out if we have enough interest to have a stand dedicated to AHYHA. If you are interested, please contact Sara Clough via email at cloughs0617@hotmail.com. She will keep track of those that are interested in work at the Xcel Center and if we have enough interest ourselves as an association, move forward in organizing the fundraising opportunity.

One organization that we can utilize right now to work at these venues is Achieving Dreams. Achieving Dreams is a non-profit organization that assists people in paying for their child/ren's extracurricular activities; whether that is sports, music, arts, or educational opportunities. If you have ever been to a sporting event at the Target Stadium, TCF Stadium or the Dome, you have probably seen the signs that say 'Thank you for your patronage. A portion of the profits from this stand go to ...' – one of those organizations is Achieving Dreams. They are a very upstanding organization dedicated to helping families and children continue to play sports, be involved in the arts, and continue their education. Their mission statement is: 'Our mission is to increase the ability of youth and adults to grow and succeed in our community by providing funding for their participation in organized activities that engage in the positive building of self-esteem, personal development, artistic inspiration and/or education.'

You may be asking yourself a lot of questions as you think about participating in this fundraising opportunity. If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity, please contact Holly Daggs (contact information is below) and talk with her about this organization.

There will be a lot more information that you will receive from Achieving Dreams if you chose to participate. Achieving Dreams receives a portion of the profits from the sales of the stand. Those profits are split equally among the people that worked that day at that venue.

If you are interested in talking to someone about this, please feel free to contact Sara Clough. She has been working with them for the past 5 months. She can be reached by cell at (612) 805-7580 or her home number is (763) 434-1550 or you can email her at cloughs0617@hotmail.com ; or you can always contact Holly Daggs directly at (763) 424-2431 or her cell is (763) 232-1627 or email her at domevol@yahoo.com to find out more about the organization.