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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To all G.A.H.A. Players, Parents and Friends,

How fortunate we all are to have the opportunity to be explorers. Yes, explorers embarking on an expedition which surely will lead to the discovery of the fun, excitement and learning connected with the fast-paced game of hockey.

The G.A.H.A. is excited over the prospects of this first season of our program in Batavia's beautiful new arena. We look forward with even greater enthusiasm and expectations to the future growth of hockey in the Genesee Country.

Our aims are to teach our players the individual team skills of hockey and, equally as important, to promote and instill high standards of fair play and sportsmanship among our players, coaches, parents and fans. The combination of these principles combined with the tremendous excitement generated by the spontaneous action of hockey will naturally lead to a love of the game.

We feel fortunate to have a group of individuals coaching who are dedicated to the success of this sport in our area. They realize that this will be achieved only through hard work and, therefore, they should and will be concentrating on teaching the youngsters. There is, however, a need for extra help in other areas if the program is to succeed. Please become involved. Contact any member of the G.A.H.A. Board of Directors or a coach and volunteer. You will be welcomed!

Finally, we all owe special thanks to the wonderful community-minded and youth-oriented merchants and service organizations for their generous cooperation with fund raising and sponsorship. Everyone's continued patronage and support of these businesses and organizations will serve to show them the appreciation we all feel toward them.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Setzer
President 1978-79