

# RINK RATS NEWSLETTER – FROM THE MCFARLAND COMMUNITY ICE ARENA

Welcome to the January 2024 edition of the Rink Rats Newsletter, from the McFarland Community Ice Arena board of directors. This quarterly newsletter will deliver quick rink updates that take just a minute to scan. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions at: mcfarlandice.president@gmail.com

#### **NEW BOARD MEMBER**

 The board voted unanimously approved the addition of Sean Hart to the board as part of a special election in December. Sean is a former hockey player who now has a son in the Learn to Skate program. Sean also has extensive construction experience and will be an invaluable part of our Expansion Committee as it continues to work on rink improvements and expansion plans.

### FIXER UPPER REPORT

- Rink Operations Manager Rob Nixon is working on a list of repairs around the rink including:
  - Fixing a hydraulics leak in the Zamboni. Done.
  - Fixing the bleacher heaters. In progress.

#### RINK IMPROVEMENTS AND EXPANSION

 It's Showtime! The McFarland Spartans High School hockey team premiered a pre-game light show on December 12, 2023. The new lighting is just part of the board's rink improvement plan. A huge thanks to Aaron Babcock and Nate Sturmer for making this happen!

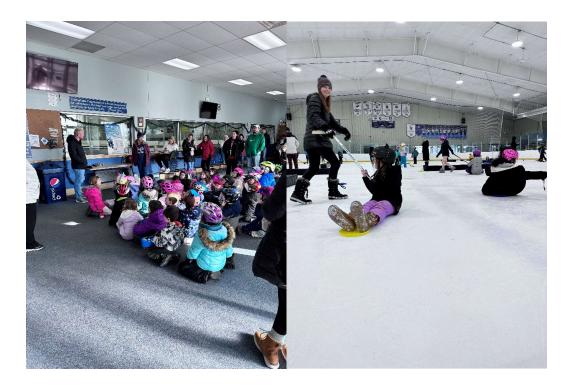


## **2024-25 ICE PRICING**

• The board is putting the finishing touches on ice pricing for the 2024-25 fiscal year. Any changes will take place on August 1, 2024. The goal is to let all rink partners know about pricing changes six months before they take effect. Watch for more communications soon.

## RINK RATS NEWSLETTER - SHOUT OUTS

 In December, MYHA hosted more than 450 Conrad Elvehjem Primary students over two days at the rink. The kids discovered the joys of ice and hopefully went home to tell their parents about our super cool rink.



If you have anything to contribute to the next newsletter, please let us know: <a href="mailto:mcfarlandice.president@gmail.com">mcfarlandice.president@gmail.com</a>