

On Saturday, March 4th, the 10th and final Paul Nelson Memorial Hockey Game took place at Memorial Gardens. The event was a wonderful success. In what has become an annual tradition, current students from the School of Physical and Health Education squared off against the faculty, staff and alumni team. The faculty team emerged victorious against the student team by a narrow margin. A sincere thank you to all of the skaters who laced up in this friendly hockey game.

Over \$4500 has been raised this year in support of the scholarship fundraiser. This year, many joined us for the open skate, cheered on during the game, and made donations. We are expressing our gratitude to all of you for believing in this event and understanding the importance of this scholarship fundraiser.

We are pleased to announce that we have met the fundraising goal required to establish the endowed Paul Nelson Legacy Coaching Scholarship at Nipissing University. What does this mean? It guarantees that Paul's name will be connected to a scholarship that supports students in the school of PHE, who like Paul, believed in giving back. His award will assist generations of future coaches who plan to make a difference. We hope the ripple effect will extend beyond the recipients. Imagine the lifetime of athletes they will coach, teach and mentor.

We want to thank everyone who participated or volunteered during this event and over the last ten years. This event would not have been possible without the generous support of many individuals. Special thanks to:

- Liam Thor, the student co-coordinator for his tremendous efforts behind the scenes helping to promote and run the event.
- Dr. Callie Mady and the Schulich School of Education for covering the cost of the ice rental
- Logan Rye for donating his time as an official and videographer
- Paul McLean and Source for Sports North Bay for all the generous donations including this year's Yeti Cooler and prize pack for the draw
- Dr. Casey Philips and Vito Castiglione and Student Development and Services for the Nipissing University Lakers clothing prizes
- Logan Buckton, Steven Smits, Rose Goulais, and Paul Ritter for the online registration
- Laura McKenzie, Kiara Jefferies, and the past student co-ordinators for their tremendous contributions to the game over the years
- The Kin Games Team for helping with the setup
- NU President Dr. Kevin Wamsley and PHE Directors, Dr. Graydon Raymer and Dr. Jim McAuliffe for promoting and playing in the past.
- Scholarship recipients Marley Martin and Hayden Adams for making the trip to North Bay to join us.
- Andrew Machan for his game photography

We would also like to thank the Nipissing faculty, staff, alumni and all the students for their participation and support for the event.

Finally, a special thank you to Scott and Christine Nelson and the Nelson family for their ongoing support with the event.

Sincerely,
Mark Bruner & Jennifer Buell