



Team USA Game Notes

2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team • Four Nations Cup

USA vs. Canada • Nov. 8, 2017

Wesley Chapel, Fla. • Florida Hospital Center Ice • 7 p.m. ET



GAME DAY: Today is the first meeting between the U.S. and Canada at the 2017 Four Nations Cup. The game will take place at 7 p.m. (ET) at Florida Hospital Center Ice in Wesley Chapel, Fla. Today's game will be streamed live on HockeyTV.com. Follow the updates on Twitter @USAHockey and join the conversation by using the hashtag #TheTimeisNow and #4NationsCup. Prior to the 2017 Four Nations Cup, the last meeting between the two teams took place on Oct. 25 in Boston, Mass., the first stop on The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota. In that game, the U.S. fell to Canada, 5-1. Prior to that, the U.S. defeated Canada, 5-2, in Quebec City, Quebec, in the first of a slate of games the teams will play against each other north of the border.

THE FOUR NATIONS CUP: The Four Nations Cup is an annual tournament that has been held in varying forms since 1996. The U.S. competes against Canada, Finland and Sweden in this year's tournament. This year marks the 22nd year of the tournament (previously the Three Nations Cup). Games will be held at Florida Hospital Center Ice in Wesley Chapel, Fla., and AMALIE Arena in Tampa, Fla. The United States has competed in the tournament 20 times, having not participated in 2001. The United States has captured the title seven times (1997, 2003, 2008, 2011-12, 2015-16), finished second 12 times and third in the tournament in 2013. The Americans hold an overall record of 47-7-2-25-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) in 83 Three/Four Nations Cup games.

GETTING OFFENSIVE: **Emily Pfalzer** recorded a hat trick and 12 different U.S. players registered points as Team USA topped Finland, 8-2, to open the 2017 Four Nations Cup last night at Florida Hospital Center Ice. **Pfalzer** finished the night with a total of four points, adding an assist to her three-goal effort. Four more U.S. players, including **Dani Cameranesi** (1-1), **Meghan Duggan** (0-2), **Amanda Kessel** (1-1) and **Kelly Pannek** (1-1), had multi-point outings, having recorded two apiece. **Maddie Rooney** got the start in goal for the U.S., and turned away 11 of 13 shots from Team Finland to help her team to its first victory of the tournament. **Emily Pfalzer** was named Team USA's player of the game.

THE TIME IS NOW: Tonight marks the first game between the U.S. and Canada as part of the 2017 Four Nations Cup, but the second between the two teams on The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota. The U.S. fell to Canada, 5-1, in the Tour opener Oct. 25 in Boston, Mass. The Tour features the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team in action for a series of games this fall and winter as it continues its journey to the Olympic Winter Games. See the full schedule for the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team, including all Tour stops and the 2017 Four Nations Cup, at the TheTimeisNowTour.com

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BRING ON THE CUP: The U.S. and Canada have met frequently during the Four Nations Cup, with the last game taking place on Nov. 5, 2016, in Jarvanpaa, Finland. The U.S. defeated Canada, 5-3, to win the tournament. The U.S. has competed in the tournament 20 of 21 times, having not participated in 2001. Team USA has captured the title seven times (1997, 2003, 2008, 2011-12, 2015-16), finished second 12 times and third in the tournament in 2013. The U.S. holds an overall record of 46-6-5-24-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) in 83 Three/Four Nations Cup games. The 2017 Four Nations Cup will be held Nov. 7-12 in Wesley Chapel and Tampa, Fla., as part of The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota.

SINCE SOCHI: Since falling to Canada in overtime, 3-2, and earning a silver medal at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games, the U.S. Women's National Team has played Canada in six international events (three IIHF Women's World Championships and three Four Nations Cups), winning five of six titles and nine of 12 games overall.

USA vs. CANADA: In Olympic play, the U.S. has faced Canada six times and has posted a 2-0-1-3-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) record. The U.S. and Canada have met in the Olympic gold-medal game four times (1998, 2002, 2010, 2014), with the U.S. earning one win (1998). In games played against one another, the United States and Canada stand even at 16 goals apiece on the scoring chart.

BORDER RIVALRY: The U.S. and Canada are the only gold-medal winners in Olympic Winter Games and International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship history. The United States is the four-time defending world champion and has captured gold at seven of the last eight IIHF Women's World Championships (2008, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017) and eight overall, including 2005. The U.S. has medaled at every Olympic Winter Games since the sport was introduced to the Olympic program at the Nagano 1998 Olympic Winter Games, winning one gold (1998), three silvers (2002, 2010, 2014) and one bronze (2006).

SIGHTS ON THE GOLD: The 2018 Olympic Winter Games mark the 20-year anniversary of the United States' inaugural gold-medal victory in the sport of women's ice hockey, setting the stage for a commemorative opportunity to honor the 1998 team and earn a top finish in PyeongChang.

TEAM USA 2017 FOUR NATIONS CUP SCHEDULE (All Times ET)

| Date | Event | Time | Location | Result | Live Stream |
|---------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------|
| Nov. 7 | Finland | 7 p.m. | Florida Hospital Center Ice | W, 8-2 | HockeyTV.com |
| Nov. 8 | Canada | 7 p.m. | Florida Hospital Center Ice | -- | HockeyTV.com |
| Nov. 10 | Sweden | 6:30 p.m. | Florida Hospital Center Ice | -- | HockeyTV.com |
| Nov. 12 | TBD - Third-Place Game | 12 p.m. | AMALIE Arena | -- | HockeyTV.com |
| Nov. 12 | TBD - Championship Game | 3:30 p.m. | AMALIE Arena | -- | HockeyTV.com |

CAPTAIN AMERICA: Meghan Duggan is captain for the U.S. Women's National Team. She has served as captain at multiple events for the U.S., most recently for gold medal-winning Team USA at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championship in Plymouth, Michigan. She was also the captain at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. **Kacey Bellamy** and **Monique Lamoureux-Morando** will serve as alternate captains.

OLYMPIANS: Twelve players on Team USA competed in the 2014 Olympic Winter Games, including **Kacey Bellamy**, **Megan Bozek**, **Alex Carpenter**, **Kendall Coyne**, **Brianna Decker**, **Meghan Duggan**, **Amanda Kessel**, **Hilary Knight**, **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson**, **Monique Lamoureux-Morando**, **Gigi Marvin** and **Lee Stecklein**.

REPEAT PERFORMERS: Twenty-one of the 24 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team roster helped the U.S. earn the gold medal at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championship.

VETERAN EXPERIENCE: Eight players on the current roster have competed in more than 100 games with Team USA, including **Kacey Bellamy** (125), **Kendall Coyne** (107), **Brianna Decker** (102), **Meghan Duggan** (122), **Hilary Knight** (142), **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson** (122), **Monique Lamoureux-Morando** (120) and **Gigi Marvin** (108).

MINNESOTA CONNECTIONS: Seven players on the current roster have played at the University of Minnesota. The group includes **Megan Bozek**, **Hannah Brandt**, **Dani Cameranesi**, **Amanda Kessel**, **Gigi Marvin**, **Kelly Pannek** and **Lee Stecklein**. **Maddie Rooney** is the lone representative from the University of Minnesota Duluth. **Hannah Brandt**, **Kendall Coyne**, **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson**, **Monique Lamoureux-Morando** and **Alex Rigsby** all previously played for the Minnesota Whitecaps, an independent professional women's team.

BOSTON STRONG: The current U.S. roster includes five players who have played at Boston College, including **Cayla Barnes**, **Alex Carpenter**, **Kali Flanagan**, **Megan Keller** and **Emily Pfalzer**. **Kendall Coyne** played four seasons at Northeastern University, also located in Boston. **Kacey Bellamy**, **Carpenter**, **Brianna Decker**, **Meghan Duggan**, **Hilary Knight**, **Gigi Marvin** and **Amanda Pelkey** have all skated as members of the National Women's Hockey League's Boston Pride.

CHEESEHEADS: The USWNT has five players who have played at the University of Wisconsin, including **Brianna Decker**, **Meghan Duggan**, **Hilary Knight**, **Annie Pankowski** and **Alex Rigsby**. In addition, **Amanda Kessel** hails from Madison, Wis.

DOUBLE TROUBLE: **Monique Lamoureux-Morando** and **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson** will once again compete for Team USA. The twin sisters have participated in more than 100 games together for the U.S.

BLOODLINES: **Alex Carpenter** is the daughter of Bobby Carpenter, who played in the NHL for 18 years. **Amanda Kessel** is the sister of Phil Kessel who plays for the Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL).

PATTY PROUD: **Meghan Duggan** (2011), **Brianna Decker** (2012), **Amanda Kessel** (2013), **Alex Carpenter** (2015) and **Kendall Coyne** (2016), have won the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award, presented annually to the top player in NCAA Division I women's ice hockey. In addition, 16 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team roster have been in the top-10 at least once, including **Megan Keller**, **Annie Pankowski** and **Kelly Pannek**, who were top-10 finalists for the 2017 award.

COLLEGE: All 24 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team have a collegiate background. Nine different NCAA schools are represented, with the University of Minnesota (WCHA) pacing all schools with seven representatives. Fifteen players come from the WCHA, eight from the HEA and one from the CHA.

NWHL SHOWCASE: Ten players competed in the NWHL during the 2016-17 season, including **Megan Bozek** and **Emily Pfalzer** who helped the Buffalo Beauts win the 2017 Isobel Cup. **Kacey Bellamy**, **Alex Carpenter**, **Brianna Decker**, **Meghan Duggan**, **Hilary Knight**, **Gigi Marvin** and **Amanda Pelkey** played for Boston, and **Amanda Kessel** with New York.

MINNESOTA CAPPED: Five players competed in 2016-17 for the Minnesota Whitecaps. They include **Hannah Brandt**, **Kendall Coyne**, **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson**, **Monique Lamoureux-Morando** and **Alex Rigsby**.

LEADING THE WAY: Head coach **Robb Stauber** will again be at the helm of Team USA after recently serving as the head coach of the U.S. team that won gold at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championship in Plymouth, Mich. The tournament marked the fifth time Stauber served on the staff for Team USA in world championship play and the first time as head coach at the event. Stauber was named head coach of the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team and 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team on May 1. Stauber, who was an assistant coach for the 2014 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, has been involved with the U.S. in various capacities since 2010. Stauber played 10 years of professional hockey, including four seasons in the National Hockey League with the Los Angeles Kings and Buffalo Sabres as a goalie. He also represented the U.S. at the 1987 World Junior Championship and 1989 IIHF World Championship. Stauber served as the goalie coach for the University of Minnesota's men's team from 2000-2008 and for the University of Minnesota Duluth's women's team from 2004-08 where he helped lead the Bulldogs to the 2008 NCAA national championship.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

| | | |
|----|-----------------------------|------------|
| 2 | Lee Stecklein | Defense |
| 3 | Cayla Barnes | Defense |
| 5 | Megan Keller | Defense |
| 6 | Kali Flanagan | Defense |
| 7 | Monique Lamoureux-Morando | Defense |
| 8 | Emily Pfalzer | Defense |
| 9 | Megan Bozek | Defense |
| 10 | Meghan Duggan | Forward |
| 12 | Kelly Pannek | Forward |
| 14 | Brianna Decker | Forward |
| 17 | Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson | Forward |
| 19 | Gigi Marvin | Forward |
| 20 | Hannah Brandt | Forward |
| 21 | Hilary Knight | Forward |
| 22 | Kacey Bellamy | Defense |
| 24 | Dani Cameranesi | Forward |
| 25 | Alex Carpenter | Forward |
| 26 | Kendall Coyne | Forward |
| 27 | Annie Pankowski | Forward |
| 28 | Amanda Kessel | Forward |
| 29 | Nicole Hensley | Goaltender |
| 33 | Alex Rigsby | Goaltender |
| 35 | Maddie Rooney | Goaltender |
| 37 | Amanda Pelkey | Forward |

TEAM STAFF

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| General Manager | Reagan Carey |
| Head Coach | Robb Stauber |
| Associate Head Coach | Brett Strot |
| Assistant Coach | Paul Mara |
| Strength & Conditioning Coach | Jim Radcliffe |
| Head Scout | Matt Kelly |
| Team Physician | Dr. Ally Howe |
| Athletic Trainer | Sheri Walters |
| Massage Therapist | Jennifer Chee |
| Equipment Manager | Logan Fischer |
| Mental Skills Coach | Dr. Colleen Hacker |
| Sports Dietitian | Carrie Aprik |
| Video Coordinator | Nick Laurila |
| Communications Manager | Andrea Mazzarelli |

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

HOME STATES OF TEAM USA

| | | | |
|---------------|---|----------|---|
| Minnesota | 6 | Colorado | 1 |
| Massachusetts | 4 | Idaho | 1 |
| Wisconsin | 3 | Michigan | 1 |
| Illinois | 2 | New York | 1 |
| North Dakota | 2 | Vermont | 1 |
| California | 2 | | |

BY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY (23 PLAYERS)

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| University of Minnesota (WCHA) | 7 |
| University of Wisconsin (WCHA) | 5 |
| Boston College (HEA) | 5 |
| University of North Dakota (WCHA) | 2 |
| Lindenwood University (CHA) | 1 |
| Northeastern University (HEA) | 1 |
| University of New Hampshire (HEA) | 1 |
| University of Minnesota Duluth (WCHA) | 1 |
| University of Vermont (HEA) | 1 |

BIRTH YEAR

| | | | |
|------|---|------|---|
| 1999 | 1 | 1992 | 2 |
| 1997 | 1 | 1991 | 3 |
| 1996 | 1 | 1989 | 3 |
| 1995 | 2 | 1988 | 1 |
| 1994 | 4 | 1987 | 3 |
| 1993 | 3 | | |

Average Player Stats:

Age: 23.7 years Height: 5'3" Weight: 151 lbs.

Oldest Player (30):

Gigi Marvin (3/7/87)

Youngest Player (18):

Cayla Barnes (1/7/99)

Roster Highlights

- 12 Olympians (Includes six two-time silver medalists)
- 23 World Championship participants (All gold-medal winners)
- 15 U18 World Championship participants (11 gold-medal winners)
- 10 NWHL players
- 5 Minnesota Whitecaps players
- 24 NCAA Division I players

STATES: The squad represents 11 different states.

Minnesota leads the way with six representatives followed by Massachusetts with four, while Wisconsin has three, and Illinois, North Dakota, California each have a pair of players represented. In addition, Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, New York and Vermont each have one representative.

AGE: The average age of the 23 players on the team is 23.7. The oldest player on the team is **Gigi Marvin** (30) and the youngest is **Cayla Barnes** (18).

OLYMPIC PREPARATION: The USWNT currently trains together at Florida Hospital Center Ice in Wesley Chapel, Fla., a suburb of Tampa, as part of its pre-Olympic residency program, which kicked off Sept. 6.

2017 FOUR NATIONS CUP - TEAM USA STATISTICS

Individual Game-By-Game Player Statistics

| No. | Name | Nov. 7 USA v. FIN |
|-----|--------------------|----------------------|
| 2 | Lee Stecklein | 0-0 |
| 3 | Cayla Barnes | 1-0 |
| 5 | Megan Keller | 0-1 |
| 6 | Kali Flanagan | 0-0 |
| 7 | Monique Lamoureux | DNP |
| 8 | Emily Pfalzer | 3-1 |
| 9 | Megan Bozek | DNP |
| 10 | Meghan Duggan | 0-2 |
| 12 | Kelly Pannek | 1-1 |
| 14 | Brianna Decker | 0-1 |
| 17 | Jocelyne Lamoureux | DNP |
| 19 | Gigi Marvin | 0-0 |
| 20 | Hannah Brandt | 0-1 |
| 21 | Hilary Knight | 1-0 |
| 22 | Kacey Bellamy | 0-0 |
| 24 | Dani Cameranesi | 1-1 |
| 25 | Alex Carpenter | 0-0 |
| 26 | Kendall Coyne | 0-1 |
| 27 | Annie Pankowski | 0-1 |
| 28 | Amanda Kessel | 1-1 |
| 37 | Amanda Pelkey | 0-0 |

Notes - DNP - did not play; first number represents goals, second number assists.

Individual Game-By-Game Player Statistics

| No. | Name | Nov. 7 USA v. FIN |
|-----|----------------|----------------------|
| 29 | Nicole Hensley | -- |
| 33 | Alex Riggsby | DNP |
| 35 | Maddie Rooney | 1-0 |

Overall Team Statistics

| No. | Name | Pos. | GP | G | A | PTS |
|-----|--------------------|------|----|---|---|-----|
| 2 | Lee Stecklein | D | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Cayla Barnes | D | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 5 | Megan Keller | D | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 6 | Kali Flanagan | D | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Monique Lamoureux | D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | Emily Pfalzer | D | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 9 | Megan Bozek | D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Meghan Duggan | F | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 12 | Kelly Pannek | F | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 14 | Brianna Decker | F | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 17 | Jocelyne Lamoureux | F | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 19 | Gigi Marvin | F | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Hannah Brandt | F | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 21 | Hilary Knight | F | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 22 | Kacey Bellamy | D | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 | Dani Cameranesi | F | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 25 | Alex Carpenter | F | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | Kendall Coyne | F | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 27 | Annie Pankowski | F | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 28 | Amanda Kessel | F | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 37 | Amanda Pelkey | F | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Overall Team Statistics

| No. | Name | GP | MIN | W-L | GA | SV | GAA | SV% |
|-----|----------------|----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-------|
| 29 | Nicole Hensley | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| 33 | Alex Riggsby | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| 35 | Maddie Rooney | 1 | 60 | 1-0 | 2 | 11 | 2.00 | 0.846 |

The U.S. Women's National Team vs. Canada Since 2014 Olympic Winter Games

| Year | Date | Event | Round | Result |
|------|---------|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 2017 | Oct. 25 | The Time is Now Tour | n/a | Loss, 5-1 |
| 2017 | Oct. 22 | Exhibition Game | n/a | Win, 5-2 |
| 2017 | April 7 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Gold-Medal Game | Win, 3-2 (OT) |
| 2017 | Mar. 31 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Preliminary Round | Win, 2-0 |
| 2016 | Dec. 19 | Team USA Winter Champions Series | n/a | Loss, 2-3 (OT) |
| 2016 | Dec. 17 | Team USA Winter Champions Series | n/a | Loss, 3-5 |
| 2016 | Nov. 5 | Four Nations Cup | Championship Game | Win, 5-3 |
| 2016 | Nov. 4 | Four Nations Cup | Preliminary Round | Loss, 2-3 |
| 2016 | Apr. 4 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Gold Medal Game | Win, 1-0 (OT) |
| 2016 | Mar. 28 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Preliminary Round | Win, 3-1 |
| 2015 | Nov. 8 | Four Nations Cup | Championship Game | Win, 3-2 (OT) |
| 2015 | Nov. 5 | Four Nations Cup | Preliminary Round | Win, 3-0 |
| 2015 | Apr. 4 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Gold Medal Game | Win, 7-5 |
| 2015 | Mar. 28 | IIHF Women's World Championship | Preliminary Round | Win, 4-2 |
| 2014 | Nov. 8 | Four Nations Cup | Championship Game | Loss, 2-3 (SO) |
| 2014 | Nov. 5 | Four Nations Cup | Preliminary Round | Loss, 2-3 |

AROUND USA HOCKEY

UNDER-17 WORLD HOCKEY CHALLENGE: The U.S. National Under-17 Team will compete in the World Under-17 Hockey Challenge Nov. 5-11 in Dawson Creek, B.C. The U.S., which finished in fifth place a year ago, has earned first place finished four times (2001, 2002, 2010, January 2014). HockeyTV will provide live streaming coverage of the event.

DEUTSCHLAND CUP: The U.S. Men's Select Team will join host Germany, Slovakia and Russia in the four-team Deutschland Cup Nov. 10-12 in Augsburg, Germany. That event will be utilized as part of the evaluation process in selecting the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team. The U.S. roster is comprised of 29 Americans, with 27 currently playing professionally in Europe. With NHL players not available as part of the player pool for the 2018 Olympic Winter Games, the members of the U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team will come from: college, players on AHL-only contracts, and Americans playing professional hockey in Europe.

UNDER-18 FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT: The U.S. National Under-18 Team will compete in the Under-18 Five Nations Tournament Nov. 8-11 in Hameenlinna, Finland. The Under-18 Five Nations and Four Nations tournaments are held twice a season. The U.S. has placed first in at least one of the two yearly events dating back to the 2007-08 season. Last year, the U.S. National Under-18 Team won both tournaments.

2017 USA HOCKEY SLED CLASSIC: The Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Hockey will host the eighth annual USA Hockey Sled Classic, presented by the NHL. The four-day event will take place Nov. 16-19, 2017, at the Plymouth Ice Center and include a record 28 NHL-associated teams representing a record 20 NHL member clubs. The Sled Classic is an annual round-robin format tournament between NHL-affiliated sled hockey teams which represent their associated NHL club by wearing official NHL licensed jerseys with local club marks and logos.

BOSTON TO HOST 2017 U.S. HOCKEY HALL OF FAME: The 2017 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Celebration, which will feature the formal induction of the Class of 2017, will take place Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel. The U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Class of 2017 includes **Kevin Collins, Jack Parker, Ben Smith, Ron Wilson and Scott Young**. Also honored as part of the celebration will be Lester Patrick Trophy recipients Peter Lindberg and Dave Ogren. To date there are 172 honored members. Tickets must be purchased in advance and can be obtained online at USHockeyHallofFame.com.

WORLD JUNIOR A CHALLENGE: Team USA will attempt to defend its 2016 World Junior A Challenge title at the 2017 tournament in Truro, Nova Scotia, from Dec. 10-16. The U.S. Junior Select Team will include players that compete in the United States Hockey League, the lone Tier I junior hockey league in the U.S. Since the inaugural tournament in 2006, Team USA has captured seven tournament crowns (2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016) along with three third-place finishes

WORLD SLED HOCKEY CHALLENGE: The U.S. National Sled Hockey Team will compete alongside Italy, Korea and host Canada at the 2017 World Sled Hockey Challenge from Dec. 1-10, 2017 in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. The United States is the three-time defending champion of the event, and holds a 31-4-1-12 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record in the event all-time.

2018 IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: The 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship will take place Dec. 26, 2017 – Jan. 5, 2018, at the KeyBank Center and HarborCenter in downtown Buffalo, New York. The U.S. National Junior Team will enter the tournament as the defending gold medalist. The U.S. and Canada will make history when the two rivals battle outdoors on Dec. 29 in a preliminary round game. The outdoor game, one of 31 total in the 2018 World Juniors, will be staged at New Era Field in Orchard Park, New York, home of the NFL's Buffalo Bills.

2018 U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM: **Bob Motzko** (St. Cloud, Minn./St. Cloud State University), who guided the U.S. National Junior Team to its fourth-ever gold medal at the 2017 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship in Montreal and Toronto, Canada, is returning as head coach for the 2018 U.S. National Junior Team. Motzko, who led the U.S. to a gold medal in his international head coaching debut, aims to lead the U.S. to back-to-back gold medal finishes for the first time ever. He will be joined by the entire 2017 U.S. coaching staff in assistant coaches **Greg Brown, Grant Potulny, Kris Mayotte and Steve Miller**.

IIHF UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: The 2018 U.S. Women's National Under-18 Team will be looking for its fourth consecutive gold medal at the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship in Dmitrov, Russia, from Jan. 6-13, 2018. Overall, the U.S. has captured gold six times (2008, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2016, 2017) and silver on four occasions (2010, 2012, 2013, 2014).

OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES: The XXIII Olympic Winter Games will be held in PyeongChang, South Korea, from February 9-25, 2018. Both the Men's and Women's Olympic rosters will be unveiled on January 1, 2018. **Men:** The 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 14-25. Team USA's final 25-player roster will be comprised of college players, American Hockey Leaguers, and Americans playing professionally in Europe. **Jim Johansson**, assistant executive director of hockey operations for USA Hockey, is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team, while **Ben Smith** is director of player personnel. **Tony Granato** will serve as head coach and will be joined by assistant coaches **Keith Allain, Chris Chelios, Ron Rolston and Scott Young**. The U.S. Men's Olympic Team has won two gold medals (1960, 1980), eight silver medals (1920, 1924, 1932, 1952, 1956, 1972, 2002, 2010) and one bronze medal (1936) all-time in Olympic competition. **Women:** The 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 11-22. **Reagan Carey**, USA Hockey's director of women's hockey, is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, with **Robb Stauber** serving as head coach, **Brett Strot** associate head coach and Paul Mara assistant coach. Since capturing gold in 1998, the U.S. has won three silver medals (2002, 2010, 2014) and one bronze medal (2006).

PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES: The 2018 Paralympic Winter Games will take place in PyeongChang, South Korea, from March 9-18, 2018. Dan Brennan, USA Hockey's director of sled hockey, is serving as general manager, with Guy Gosselin as head coach and David Hoff assistant coach. The United States enters the Paralympic Winter Games as two-time defending Paralympic gold medalists. After going undefeated and unscored upon to claim the gold medal at the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia, Team USA became the first nation to claim back-to-back Paralympic gold medals in sled hockey when it defeated Russia, 1-0, in the gold-medal game of