



Hall of Fame
Joe Barth

*Born January 21, 1962, in Minnesota

*Started playing hockey as a PeeWee

*Enlisted in the US Air Force upon graduating high school in 1980. It was the Air Force that brought him and his family to Alaska in 1986

*Elected to the Anchorage Hockey Officials Executive Board of Directors in 1999 where he served as a President, Vice President, Secretary and finally as the Treasurer until he retired in 2023.

*Served as the representative for Anchorage Hockey Officials to the Alaska State Hockey Association Board of Directors

*2001-2002 season, Alaska Referee In Chief, Chris Milles, appointed him as the USA Hockey Local Supervisor of Officials. From that time until he retired in 2023 he coordinated the USA Hockey Seminar program, was a seminar instructor, the USA Hockey Officials Database coordinator for Alaska and oversaw referee discipline (responding to the hundreds of emails and phone calls complimenting the Officials in Alaska.) He assisted the RIC with scheduling and supervising of State, District and National Tournaments in Alaska.

*Recipient of the USA Hockey Pacific District "Pete Anderson" Referee of the year award for the 2006-2007 season

"It was always my goal to help develop respect for the Officials and foster a positive relationship between the Officiating programs and the Coaches, Players, Parents and the fans of Hockey"

"It is only the support of my wife Kathleen, our children, Michael, Matthew, Takara and Christopher, who didn't know that Thanksgiving was ever anything but the time we lived at the ice rink for several days and ate at Royal Fork, that any of this was possible."

Inducted September 16, 2023