



## ***Kent Valley Hockey Association – Staff Bio***

### ***Lew Sellers – Director of Communications***

Lew Sellers (*affectionately known as “Papa Lew”*) comes to KVHA with a strong hockey heritage. He has been involved in Puget Sound area amateur hockey programs for over 35 years. During that time he served the Eastside AHA, Greater Seattle AHA, and Puget Sound AHA (local amateur hockey associations) as team manager, assistant coach, recruiter, learn to skate instructor, division manager, tournament director, association board member, association vice president, association president and a term as a PNAHA Vice President. Lew also has over 30 years experience with the Seattle Breakers, Seattle Thunderbirds and Tacoma Rockets of the Western Hockey League serving as an Off-Ice Official, Public Address Announcer, and Official Score Keeper. He served as an Off-Ice Official at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, B.C. Canada.

Lew is a 35-year resident of Kent and is married to Karen Sellers a past member of the KVHA Auction team. Lew and Karen have two children, Bob Sellers (KVHA Coach and local referee) and Tammy Haywood (KVHA Webmaster and also a past member of the KVHA Auction team.) Daughter Tammy spent her amateur hockey career as a goalie with the Eastside AHA in Bellevue. Son Bob skated with the Eastside, Greater Seattle and SnoKing Amateur Hockey Associations. Karen and Lew have four grandchildren Chad Haywood (a Wenatchee Jr. Wild Bantam), Justin Hill-Sellers (a former KVHA hockey player), Ashley Haywood (age 11, a figure skater out of Sprinkler Ice Arena in Spanaway) and Celina Sellers (age 11, a former figure skater at KVIC.) Lew retired in 2006 from a 40 year career in Computers & Information Technology. He currently serves on the ShoWare Center Public Facilities District Board, Kent Community Foundation Board, Thunderbird Community Sports Foundation Board, and is a member of the Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority Citizens Advisory Committee.

Lew’s educational background is music education, business management and information technology. He is a graduate of the National Fire Academy’s and FEMA’s Emergency Public Information Officer program.



*Lew is in his eighth season as a volunteer with Kent Valley Hockey Association. He has skated, coached and instructed but never played a lick of organized hockey in his life.*