

# NHL, Coyote Alums and Hollywood Celebs Face Off to Raise Funds

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The game will put a group of Phoenix Coyote's alumni against a team of NHL vets. Each team will also include some Hollywood celebrities known more for their acting and entertaining than their abilities to skate and shoot. Don't discount them, though; these stars can really do both.

“Dave Coulier from Full House is the real deal,” said fellow actor Chad Lowe, both of whom will be on the ice. “He's actually a better hockey player than he is a comic. And he's a pretty funny guy!”

Scheduled to join Coulier and Lowe on the ice for the Coyotes Alums are Brian Savage, Dave Scatchard, Tyson Nash and Greg Adams. The NHL Alumni will feature NHL greats like Reed Larson, Cliff Ronning, Mel Bridgeman, Shjon Podein and Neal Broten, who will be behind the bench.

While the event is fun for the whole family, the Coyote's Amateur Hockey Association wants to stress the importance of concussion prevention and get the message across to the young athletes and families. “Concussion education, awareness and prevention are the most important pieces of equipment we can give our young athletes today,” said Mike DeAngelis, head of the Coyote's Amateur Hockey Association, “it's a gift that will last a lifetime and we're proud to be playing a part.”

The Association is committed to the cause and will be donating a minimum of 20% of the event net revenue to the Banner Concussion Center and Injury Prevention Education Program at Banner Good Samaritan Medical Center.

In Arizona, nearly 45,000 residents visited emergency rooms as a result of traumatic brain injuries. Concussions, a mild form of brain injury, were the fourth biggest sports story across the AP wire this year. "The only thing we enjoy more than kids playing sports is kids that play with an awareness and understanding of concussion prevention and recovery," said Dr. Paul Dabrowski, medical director for Banner Good Samaritan Trauma Services."

"Educating parents, coaches and athletes how to recognize the signs and symptoms of concussion and what the appropriate steps that health care providers should take in the prevention, diagnosis and management of concussion is one of the most important issues in sports medicine, said Steven M. Ericsson, M.D. Medical Director Banner Concussion Center.

Tickets are now on sale at <http://www.coyotesice.com/alumni-tickets>. The game will also be streamed live at 18 Degrees onsite.

About Ice Den: The Ice Den, located in north Scottsdale, is a 150,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art ice skating and entertainment center and still home to the NHL's Phoenix Coyotes Hockey club who practice at the facility on a regular basis.

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