

FROM THE EDITOR

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Recognition. It's the best way to show somebody what you think of the job they're doing, and it comes in all forms — a pat on the back, a certificate, a holiday bonus, or even a hearty "well done."

I think we all strive for it in our daily lives. The stressed out businessman hopes for a raise after working his fingers to the bone all year long.

A small child seeks out approval from his parents after scribbling his name — backwards letters and all — on a piece of paper.

And professional athletes hope to get the call that they've been named to their league's all star game.

While some All Star games have become nothing more than an excuse for a free vacation (NFL, I'm talking to you), other leagues (and their players) still take the festivities quite seriously.

These guys aren't getting paid millions each season to lace up the skates and hit the ice. For the men who play for the Colorado Eagles and Rocky Mountain Rage, this is a job. This is how they make their living. This is how they support their families.

And when the season is over, many of these guys head to a Home Depot to stock lumber, or to a hockey camp to serve as a counselor.

The All Star Game is perhaps the best way to show these guys that they are truly among the best at what they do at this level. And nobody would mind being told they're "the best of the best."

If there were an All Star Sports Publication out there on stands, and I was told that I was voted in as the Editor in Chief, I couldn't begin to tell you how honored I'd feel. Mainly because there are no words that could even come close to describing my reaction.

It's not quite the same as with these local CHL players, but the principle holds true.

Of course, I mention all of this for one reason — the All Stars are coming to Broomfield. The Broomfield Event Center is set to welcome the Central Hockey League

All Stars this month, and the eyes of the CHL will be focused on the area at US 36 and Wadsworth.

Yours should be, too.

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