



# Passing the Puck

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**Rochester  
Americans  
Booster Club**

## Upcoming Events

Nov 8—General Meeting @  
ESL

Nov 19—Meet the Players  
Dinner @Lodge on the Green

Nov 22—Happy Thanksgiving

Dec 13—Christmas Dinner  
Meeting @Wishing Well

Dec 25—Merry Christmas

Jan 1—Happy New Year!

Jan 26—Lake Erie Bus Trip

Mar 22—Binghamton Trip

April 12—Toronto Trip

Annual Meet the Players Dinner  
Lodge on the Green  
Ridgeway Avenue

Monday, November 26, 2007

Cocktails—6:00pm

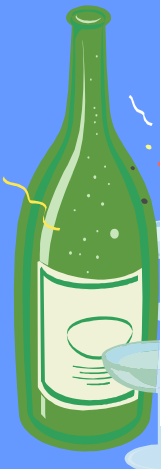
Dinner—7:00pm

Members: \$25

Senior Members: \$22.50

Non-Members: \$30

Dinner with a Player,  
Dancing, Fun for All



## WAYS AND MEANS—Virginia Paddock

We are again selling 50-50 raffle tickets at the games. Please stop by the table to buy tickets or sign up to help sell them.

We still have 2007 Lottery Calendars for sale at \$5.00 each. We will be selling the 2008 Lottery Calendars. They will be available in mid-November. If you have certain numbers you want, please see either myself or Mike Petta.

This year we will begin selling "Enjoy the City" coupon books. These books sell for \$20.00 each. Anyone interested in selling these books, please see Virginia. These books have coupons for Fast Food, Fine Restaurants, Golf, Services & Retail, and Entertainment & Recreation.







Optional  
Ornament  
Exchange

Sign-up at any Home  
Game or Meeting  
Deadline: December 7

**Christmas Dinner Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 13**  
**Wishing Well Party House**  
**1190 Chili Avenue**

Cash Bar—6:00-6:30pm  
 Meeting—6:30pm  
 Buffet Dinner—6:45pm  
 Member—\$10  
 Senior Member—\$9  
 Non-Member—\$15

Optional Cash \$\$  
 or non-Perishable  
 food donation for  
 our Christmas  
 Family





Norine Borrelli & Lowell Mascot

**2007 Convention**  
**Lowell, Massachusettes**  
**September 7-9**

Seventeen members of the Rochester Americans Booster Club attended convention this year in Lowell, MA. There were many Booster Club members from around the league.

The Theme for Friday night was "Mardi Gras". The key speaker for Saturday's Dinner was Terry O'Reilly, former Boston Bruin. He shared many memories from throughout his career. He even attended, and participated in Rookie Initiation.

We had a good time sharing laughs and stories with friends from other Booster Clubs. Next year's convention is in Wilkes-Barre, so it is bound to be a good time.



Paul VanLare & Betty Evans



Ella & Gary Schaeffer



Mike & Sherry Petta

**The Exec Foundation, Inc.**  
**Annual Report - Mary Dibble**  
**October, 2006 - September, 2007**

Several hockey and charitable organizations ask for grant applications to request money for their particular needs and/or activities. Sometimes these organizations help our booster club members sell 50/50 and jersey raffle tickets. This past year the Exec Foundation's only source of income was 50% of the booster club's share of the 50/50 raffle tickets sold at Amerks home games. This coming year the Exec Foundation will receive only 40% of the booster club's share.

The Exec Foundation Directors try to maintain, for the year, a 60/40 percentage split between hockey and charity donations, with the 60% going towards hockey. This past year the donations were 69% for hockey and 31% for charity. The Exec Foundation spent \$4,200 - \$2,900 to ten hockey organizations (all new ones) and \$1,300 to four charity organizations (one new one). This amount was \$965 more than last year when donations went to eight hockey and six charity organizations. Hockey donations this year were given to Spencerport Hockey Boosters Club, Rochester '96 Amerks-Squirt Major AAA, Geneseo Youth Hockey Mite B, Webster Youth Hockey Bantam Major AA, Rochester EDGE 16U Girls, Rochester Special Hockey, Monroe County Youth Hockey PeeWee B, Squirt Minor AAA, Aquinas Hockey, and Come and Get It Hockey. Charity donations were given to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Rochester, NY, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, St. Joseph's Villa, and the CURE Childhood Cancer Association.

An additional \$50 for the post office box rental fee and a \$300 loan to the Rochester Americans Booster Club made it a grand total spent of \$4,550, which was \$1,265 more than last year.

Hockey or charity organizations can request a grant application for a monetary donation from the Exec Foundation by notifying Mary Dibble (Executive Director), or Assistant Directors Mike Nolan (hockey), or Donna Adams (charity). A grant application can also be downloaded from the Rochester Americans Booster Club's website.

**Sunshine Committee—Karen Hutchinson**

A Get Well Card was sent to Jim Adams.

We had a few end of the year gifts (deluxe travel organizer) that I will have at the next meeting on sale, for \$10.00. If you are at the game, stop by the Booster Club table to see it, and place an order, there are a limited supply.

If anyone know of any sickness, deaths, births or weddings please let me know. You can call me at home at 315-589-9021 or you can e-mail me at (kahutch64@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the games.



**2008 Election Update**

The Election Committee was formed. The members are Jim Savidge, Ann Paddock and Gary Schaeffer. We will be putting together the list of eligible people and will distribute it at the November General Meeting.

## Join the Club!

The 07-08 Membership Drive continue for the Amerk Booster Club. Membership Dues remain the same.

Continue to receive your newsletter and enjoy the events that are sponsored by the Club each year. Encourage your friends to do the same. Some of the events scheduled for this year:

- Annual Meet the Players Dinner
- Booster Club Trips to away games
- Hosting of visiting Booster Clubs.
- Annual Christmas Party
- Monthly Meetings with Guest Speakers as available
- Award Incentives for Volunteers



During the season, there are many opportunities to volunteer your time to benefit local Hockey organizations and charities. This is a great way to meet new friends and donate your time to good causes. Many volunteers are also needed on game nights.

Stop by the Booster Club Tables, behind Section 217 before and during the 1st Intermission of home games for Planned Events.

### Lake Erie (Cleveland) - January 26-27, 2008

	Member	Non-Member	Senior	Child	Non-Member Child
Single	\$185.00	\$203.50	\$167.00		
Double	\$128.00	\$141.00	\$116.00	\$103.00	\$113.00
Triple	\$109.00	\$120.00	\$98.00	\$88.00	\$97.00
Quad	\$99.00	\$109.00	\$89.00	\$80.00	\$88.00



Leave: 8:00am Saturday Return: Sunday

Deposit Due: December 21, 2007

Final Payment: January 13, 2008

### Binghamton Senators Sat, March 22, 2008

Member—\$40

Non-Member—\$45

Final Payment—March 2

Leave: 2:30pm

Return: After the Game

### Toronto Marlies Sat, April 12, 2008

Member—\$45

Non-Member—\$50

Final Payment—March 21

Leave: 9:00am

Return: After 4:00 Game

### November Birthdays

11/3	Buehler, Jack
11/3	Buehler, RJ
11/3	Clement, James
11/3	Laley, Chris
11/4	Savidge, James W
11/8	Gavigan, Carolyn
11/9	VanHuben, Beverly J
11/10	Veluvolu, A
11/11	Carpenter, Roger
11/12	Brant, Carl
11/13	Butler, Theresa
11/13	Leach, Grant
11/13	Redding, Donna
11/13	Smith, Brenda
11/15	Flanders, Linda
11/15	Petta, Sherry
11/16	Mack, Peter
11/17	Schaeffer, Brad
11/18	Holden, Tom
<b>11/18</b>	<b>Kreps, Kamil</b>
11/20	Cieslinski, David
11/21	Douglas, Mary Ann
11/23	Gerew, David R
11/23	Jarosinski, Keith
11/23	O'Connor, Laura
11/27	Spangenburg, Dennis
11/28	Schaeffer, Gary
<b>11/29</b>	<b>Glass, Tanner</b>
11/30	Andrade, Nicholas
11/30	Luechauer, Kurt

## **NOTICE!!!!**

**Newsletters** will be available for pick-up at a home game late in November. Check the Information Boards for specific dates. **Membership Applications** will be available at the Booster Club Tables behind Section 217 before games, and during the 1st intermission.

## **Rochester Americans Booster Club 2006-2007 Presidents Annual Report**

The 2006-2007 season began as a very challenging year for the Rochester Americans Booster Club. The year started with several new board members taking office after the general election. In mid November the President and Entertainment Chairperson both resigned from their positions. Based on the club by laws, the Vice President took over as President and a new Entertainment Chairperson was appointed. The Vice President position remained open for the duration of the year with the appointed President taking on the duties of both positions.

Despite the large number of changes early in the season, the club was able to forge on and have a very successful year.

Throughout the year the club hosted several visiting Booster Clubs in a various number of ways. We gave some clubs coupons to be used at the concession stands at the games and we treated both the Binghamton Senators, and the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins Booster Clubs to a dinner. Both of these clubs have always treated us when we visit them and it was nice to be able to return the favor.

In November, the club had another successful Meet the Players Dinner. There were several new players to meet and it was nice to get to know them in a more formal setting. The night was capped off by the ever popular dollar dance in which members can pay a dollar to dance with the player of their choice with all money going to charity.

The Booster Club went on several road trips to support the team. In the 2006-2007 season, the Booster Club traveled over 1,520 miles to the cities of Binghamton, Syracuse, Toronto, Wilkes-Barre, & Philadelphia. All of the trips were well organized and included several side trips for everyone's enjoyment with a fun time had by all.

In 2006-2007 we saw the membership grow to 289 members. Several of these members got involved in working the games and attended various Booster Club events throughout the year.

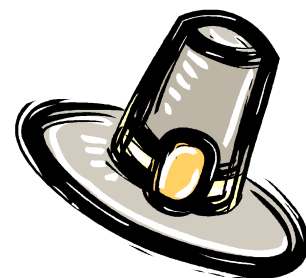
Once again the Booster Club sold 50/50 and jersey tickets at each home game. After trying several changes in regards to the raffles, we saw some of our largest winnings in years. We have invited youth teams to come in and sell tickets for us and had one game where the club raised over \$400 thanks to the efforts of the kids along with the parents selling the tickets. Also, a special thank you goes out to all the Booster Club members who helped sell tickets during the season.

The Booster Club again was very active in the charities area. In the 2006-2007 season the club was involved in several activities including, the Christmas Project, Easter basket project, Project Bundle Up, Al Sigl Walk About, Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army, and Project Linus. The Booster Club also once again collected can tabs to benefit The Kidney Foundation. The annual euchre tournament was held at Bathtub Billy's this year and raised a record amount of money for this year's charity, Mercy Residential. This season also saw the end of the Booster Club Firemen's Dinners. This was a very successful initiative over the past few years and a thank you goes out to everyone who put the time and effort into this. This project was capped off by a newspaper article highlighting our last dinner along with recognition by the Mayor of Rochester at a special ceremony at City Hall.

As the season came to an end, the Booster Club continued to work behind the scenes to help continue to grow and improve the club. Most recently, we have announced that the Nancy Milliman Booster Club Member of the year award has been revised and now will be known as the Nancy Milliman Player's Incentive Award with the players incentive awards being donated to the Exec Foundation in Nancy Milliman's name for further donation to local minor hockey teams throughout the community.

Overall the 2006-2007 season was a very challenging but successful one for the Rochester Americans Booster Club. Thank you to all the board members and committee members for all your hard work and dedication throughout the year. Also, a special thank you to ALL the Booster Club members, for without you we would not have a club. The Booster Club is looking forward to another successful year in the 2007-2008 season.

Jeffrey J Savidge  
Booster Club President



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**God Bless America  
Support our Troups!**

The Rochester Americans Booster Club is in it's 42nd Year. Your involvement in the Club helps to provide donations to Charities and Youth Hockey in the Rochester area. Join friends or make new friends on Booster Club Trips. Monthly Meetings, and other Events are planned throughout the year. Get Involved—Support our Team!

Position	Name	E-Mail	Phone	Assistants	
President	Jeff Savidge	<a href="mailto:amerksr1@yahoo.com">amerksr1@yahoo.com</a>			
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Historian	Dave Sturm				
Charities	<b>Vacant Position</b>			Jan Fernandez	Jen Schuber
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Sergeant @ Arms	Sherry Petta				

**Next Meeting: November 8, 7:00pm @ESL**