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## Lehigh Valley Phantoms Phan Club Hosts Phantoms Viewing Party



On March 14<sup>th</sup>, the Lehigh Valley Phantoms Phan Club held a Phantoms Viewing Party at Crust Coal Fired Pizza in Allentown, PA.

On the all-you-can-eat menu was lots of pizza, garlic knots, and unlimited soda. The event also included many great giveaways (among the prizes was a signed puck and a game used stick). The best part was rooting on the Phantoms as they played the Binghamton Senators!

The event was open to all Phans, not just club members. When the doors opened, 51 Phans filed in the doors of Crust to enjoy the buffet, good company, and good fun!

Unfortunately, the boys lost the game in Binghamton, 3-1.

We are already looking forward to another "Away Game Party" already.

## Providence Bruins Fan Club Holds Party at Dave & Busters

The Providence Bruins Fan Club hosted a fan road game party on February 21<sup>st</sup> at Dave & Buster's in Providence, RI.

More than a dozen Bruins fans gathered together to watch the Providence Bruins take on the Hershey Bears in Hershey, PA.

Fans helped cheer on the Providence to a 6-3 win over Hershey!

More photos on this event are located on page 2 of this edition of Faceoff!



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## **Mission Statement**

The purpose of this organization will be:

- To promote better understanding between Booster Clubs and the American Hockey League Organization.
- To Compare and attempt to alleviate problems confronting each individual Booster Club.
- To act as a social organization for Booster Club members.

## **Submitting an Article**

To submit an article to this newsletter, please email it to [lighthouseman2@yahoo.com](mailto:lighthouseman2@yahoo.com) with "AAHLBC Newsletter" in the subject line.

**Please note: Your club must be a member of the AAHLBC in order to submit an article to this newsletter.**

**Editor: Bill Walch**

## **Providence Away Games Party Photos**



## **Providence to Host 6th Annual Steak Fry**

On March 21<sup>st</sup>, the Providence Bruins will host their 6th Annual Steak Fry at Jerry Remy's in Fall River, MA. This event sold out last year and it is expected to sell out again this year!

Attendees will be able to mingle with some of their favorite Providence Bruins players, as well as, enter to win many great raffle prizes, a silent auction and penny social. The meal will include steak or grilled chicken, pasta, salad, bread, dessert, and coffee or tea.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the Special Olympics and Hasbro Children's Hospital.



**Special Olympics**



**Hasbro Children's Hospital**  
The Pediatric Division of Rhode Island Hospital  
A Lifespan Partner

— 20 years —  
All for one.



## Booster Club Happenings

The **Binghamton Senators Booster Club** recently announced they would not be hosting their annual year end banquet this year.

The **Bridgeport Sound Tigers Booster Club** served lunch at the Spooner House on February 20<sup>th</sup>. The meal was Mac & Cheese & hotdogs... The BSTBC held a bingo raffle and it was a huge success, raising over \$1400! Another successful fundraiser was ornament sales, which raised \$460 for Camp Rising Sun... On March 12<sup>th</sup>, the ST boosters will enter a team into the "Bowl 2 Benefit" event supporting The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services... The booster club will hold its Awards Dinner on April 5 at Vazzano's Four Seasons in Stratford, CT.

The **Chicago WolfPack Booster Club** will support the USHL's Chicago Steel hockey team while the Wolves are on the road. The group will be attending the March 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> games... The CWBC is selling limited edition military dress duckies with proceeds going to a Military organization charity, The Fisher House.



The **Cleveland Hockey Booster Club** will travel to Chicago to watch the Monsters take on the Wolves on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The **Hartford WolfPack Booster Club** provided the visiting Binghamton Booster Club with vouchers for their members to use at a recent game... The HWPBC will be traveling to Lehigh Valley on March 26<sup>th</sup>... The WolfPack will hold its Appreciation Dinner on March 15 at the Gallery in Glastonbury, CT.

The **Hershey Bears Booster Club** raised \$605 in cash and gift cards, plus many food items, for the Central PA Food Bank during a recent food drive... The HBBC will hold the 5th edition of the Booster Club's Broomball for Autism event on March 13<sup>th</sup> at Klick – Lewis Arena in Annville, PA... The HBBC take to the road and visit Lehigh Valley (March 3) and Hartford/Providence (April 1-4).

The **Lehigh Valley Phantoms Phan Club** has a table at the arena during games. It is located behind Section 106 on

the arena concourse.



The **Manchester Monarchs Booster Club** will hold a bowlathon with proceeds benefitting the MMBC's Jennifer Kemp Memorial Scholarship Fund. The bowlathon will take place on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

The **Norfolk Admirals Booster Club** will be hosting another "Spirit Night" on March 9<sup>th</sup> at Chick-fil-A in Newport News, VA.

The **Peoria Rivermen Booster Club** recently held a bowlathon, with proceeds donated to TAPS, an animal shelter in the Peoria area.

The **Portland Professional Hockey Booster Club** will hold its "March to the Playoffs" Party with Pirates players on March 15<sup>th</sup> at Spare Time in Portland. There will be laser tag, video games & food, plus a chance to meet and hang out with players, coaches & staff.

The **Providence Bruins Fan Club** will road trip to Toronto and Rochester from March 18-20... On March 29<sup>th</sup>, the Bruins Fan Club will hold its 6th annual "Steak Fry" at Jerry Remy's in Fall River, MA.

The **Rockford IceHogs Booster Club** recently collected donations for Mending Hearts Rescue.

**San Antonio Rampage Booster Club** members will be volunteering at the San Antonio Humane Society on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

The **Syracuse Crunch Corps Booster Club** will host a "Meet the Players" Party on March 9<sup>th</sup> at the Double Tree by Hilton Syracuse... The Crunch Corps will be road tripping to Lehigh Valley on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

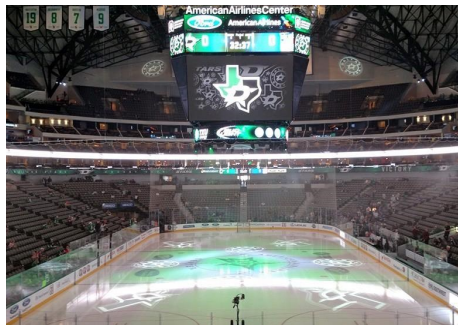
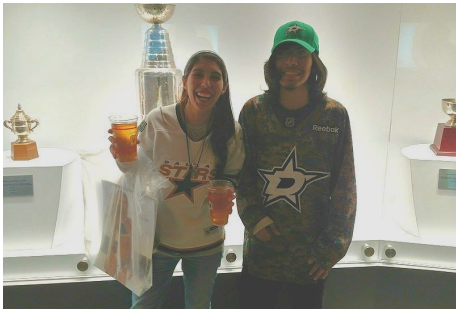
The **Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins Booster Club** will head to Bridgeport on March 13<sup>th</sup>, and Lehigh Valley on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

The **Worcester Pro Hockey Booster Club** will participate in a St. Patrick's Day Parade to show support for the new ECHL hockey club coming to town in the future.



## San Antonio Rampage Booster Club Take in NHL Game

The San Antonio Rampage Booster Club traveled to Dallas, TX on February 27<sup>th</sup> to see the Dallas Stars take on the New York Rangers. The trip was planned because the Rampage were on their own month-long cross-country road trip due to the rodeo in San Antonio. Members had the chance to enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet from 2 pm (game started at 3 pm) until the end of the second intermission. A good time was had by all.





## **It's That Time !** **The 2016 AAHLBC Convention**

**(PLEASE NOTE - ALL THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT GO OUT TO YOUR MEMBERS - ONLY WHAT PERTAINS TO THE CONVENTION ITSELF -BOOSTER CLUB INFORMATION SHOULD NOT GO OUT TO YOUR MEMBERS )**

The 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Association of American Hockey League Booster Clubs Convention will be held at the Sheraton Hotel at Bradley Airport in Windsor Locks, Ct. on September 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 **hosted by**  
**The Springfield Falcons Booster Club**

The prices for this year's Convention are: (US FUNDS)  
QUAD ..... \$200 per person      TRIPLE ..... \$210 per person  
DOUBLE ..... \$245 per person      SINGLE ..... \$360 per person  
Extra nights are \$102.35 inclusive of taxes per room US  
**Early arrival discount rates are available for Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>**  
-Room Tax is included in the above prices -

The above prices are PER PERSON for the COMPLETE weekend including the evening meals on Friday and Saturday and Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

**The hotel has a large attached parking garage (15 Passenger Vans OK) , and there is no charge for parking**

**\*A NON-REFUNDABLE** deposit of \$50 (U.S. funds), per person attending the convention is required by

**March 31, 2016** with the BALANCE due by **JUNE 30, 2016**.

Earlier due dates are because we are trying to get everything done during the hockey season

**LATE PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED THIS YEAR.**

**NO PAY, NO GO, NO EXCEPTIONS**

- ALL CANCELLATIONS MADE PRIOR TO **AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016** WILL RECEIVE A REFUND. **NO REFUNDS** WILL BE MADE AFTER THAT DATE ACCORDING TO OUR BY-LAWS. ANY REFUND WILL BE MINUS THE \$50.00 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT. (EXECUTIVE BOARD DISCRETION ON SPECIAL CASES)

ALL CHECKS ARE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO **AAHLBC**. Please mail one check per club. Send check along with the DEPOSIT FORM to:

**Chris O'Shea 80 Farrar Ave. Worcester, Ma. 01604**

**DEPOSITS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016**

**BALANCE DUE BY JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.**

**No Exceptions, No Pay, No Go**

### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Please publish the above information so your members will have an idea what is planned. At this time I would like you to return the form listing the convention contact for your club. This will allow me to keep in touch with the convention organizer from each club. I will send a complete rooming list to your convention organizer as deposits are sent.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO ADVERTISE OUR CONVENTION FROM THIS POINT ON.

**CONVENTION CONTACT FORM IS DUE A.S.A.P.**

**Registration Forms and Deposit Sheets will be mailed/e-mailed shortly**

**PLEASE INFORM THEM: NO MONEY IS DUE AT THIS TIME.**

**Your club sets its own date for the DEPOSIT and BALANCE DUE.**

Arrangements for early arrival or late departure should be made online at the following link (hold CONTROL and CLICK on the link) [Association of American Hockey League](http://Association of American Hockey League) or directly with the hotel. Please call

**1 (800) 325-3535 or 1-860-627-5311 (Directly to the Hotel) and ask for the "Association of**

**American Hockey League Rate"** for the preferred Convention rate for Tue., Wed., Thur. arrivals.

**Deadline for early room reservations is August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**EARLY ARRIVALS PAID BY THE INDIVIDUAL. THIS COST NOT INCLUDED WITH THE CONVENTION PRICE**

**For Additional Information or Questions Call**

**Chip Hanuscik  
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570-876-6701**

**I WILL GLADLY ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS AND FUTURE CONVENTIONS**

ONE APPLICATION PER **ROOM** - PLEASE PRINT...

- 2016 - AAHLBC REGISTRATION FORM -

Day You Will Arrive:

VERY IMPORTANT (PLEASE CIRCLE)

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

Room Information VERY IMPORTANT

Circle Appropriate Choice

NUMBER OF BEDS: 1 2  
HANDICAPPED: YES NO

- The hotel has limited handicapped rooms.  
AVAILABILITY IS NOT GUARANTEED.

IF ARRIVING BY AIR

Arrival Day: Time:

BOOSTER CLUB

1. LAST NAME: FIRST NAME

PLEASE NOTE: PRINT YOUR NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR NAME BADGE!

STREET: CITY:

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SATURDAY EVENING MEAL SELECTION

(Choose one meal for each person on this sheet)

Prime Angus Sirloin

Tuscanny Chicken

Buttercrumb Crusted Cod

Juliened sirloin steak

Zested lemon parmesan encrusted chicken

Served with a lemon garlic beurre monte

Vegetarian Offering: Ratatouille Stuffed Eggplant, with pepperonata coulis

Baby Spinach salad w/ pecans, (Maple glazed sweet potatoes w/ steak and /chicken, wild rice pilaf w/fish), Rolls & Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea

Note: EARLY ARRIVAL NIGHTS SHOULD BE HANDLED DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL AND PAID FOR SEPARTLEY Sheraton Hotel at Bradley Airport (Online reservations link available through AAHLBC.ORG, "Convention" tab)

PHONE NUMBER FOR EXTRA NIGHTS: 1-800-325-3535 or 860-627-5311 (Directly to the Hotel)

When making reservations mention rate code "ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE"

Prices Are \$102.35 PER ROOM ( Rates Include Tax) parking is free in onsite parking structure-