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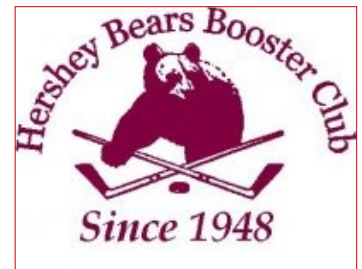
The 47th Annual Association of American Hockey League Booster Clubs Convention will be held at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel in Harrisburg, PA on September 9th – 11th 2011 hosted by the **Hershey Bears Booster Club**.



The prices for this year's Convention are: (US FUNDS)

QUAD: \$165.00 pp
TRIPLE: \$185.00 pp
DOUBLE: \$220.00 pp
SINGLE: \$330.00 pp

Extra nights are \$98.79 per room US



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.

Parking for cars is included in the above prices. Parking is in a ground lot at the hotel. Bus Parking is free.

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

Please see you booster club's convention contact for your club's deadlines.

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 1ST, 2011** 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).

Side trip information will be posted when it becomes available.

Look for the Association of AHL Booster Clubs is on Facebook

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Mission Statement

The purpose of this organization will be:

- a. To promote better understanding between Booster Clubs and the American Hockey League Organization.
- b. To Compare and attempt to alleviate problems confronting each individual Booster Club.
- c. 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 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

Booster Club Happenings

The **Albany Devils Booster Club** recently held its 5th Annual Charity Bowlathon.

The **Portland Professional Hockey Booster Club** will be preparing a meal at Gary's House on February 13th...They also sold "Pucks and Kisses". For \$5 purchasers received an autographed by a pirates player or coach Dineen... Going to Portland for a game? If so, if you buy a bottle or soda or water, ask a Portland booster club member where to deposit your bottle. They collect them and recycle them and use the money for their many charitable donations.

The Bridgeport Sound Tigers Booster Club will be sending many volunteers to help with the Sound Tiger hockey club's First Annual Special Olympics Floor Hockey Invitational. This event will be held on February 17, 2010. The Sound Tigers Booster Club members will provide volunteer support and are donating medals for the competition... The Bridgeport Sound Tigers Booster Club has already donated over \$5,000 to many local and national charities. The funds have come in using a variety of fundraisers (50/50 tickets, Chuck a Pucks, Booster Bracelets, a Tiger Bell or autographed ornaments).

The **Hershey Bears Booster Club** recently had five buses trek to Atlantic City.

The **Springfield Falcons Booster Club** is selling raffle tickets for an autographed Bobby Orr Jersey. Tickets will be for sale until March and the winner will be announced on ice during the Falcons home game on Sunday March 27th.

On July 9, 2011, the **Syracuse Crunch Booster Club** will be hosting the AHL Booster Club Broomball Tournament...

The **Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins Booster Club** traveled to Atlantic City on two buses, but they returned home without even seeing a game. There were some ice issues and it was deemed too dangerous to play on it...

RoseAnn L Foy of the Wilkes-Barre Scranton Penguins Booster Club is sitting pretty on a zamboni. Looks like she knows what she is doing.



The **Worcester Sharks Booster Club** provided the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguin Booster Club with snacks for their bus ride home.

On the Sad Side of Things

Former AHL Player Tom Cavanagh Dies

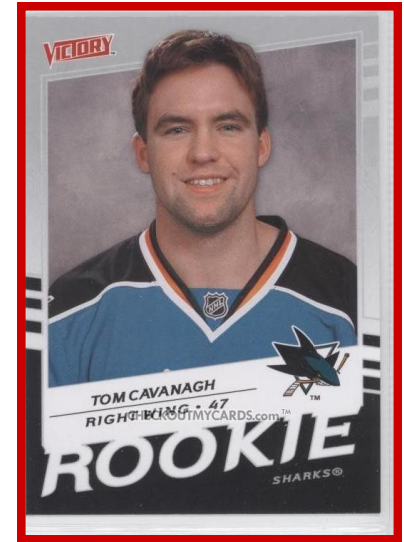
Former AHL player Tom Cavanagh died January 6, 2011 in Providence, RI. He was 28. Tom spent time with the AHL's Cleveland Barons, Worcester Sharks, Manchester Monarchs and the Springfield Falcons. He played 18 games with the NHL's San Jose Sharks, as well.

Cavanagh graduated from Toll Gate High School in Warwick, R.I. before playing his college hockey at Harvard. In 2001, Tom was selected in the sixth round of the NHL draft by the San Jose Sharks, debuting at the end of the 2007-08 season.

As of April 2010, Tom was the Worcester Sharks franchise scoring leader with 138 points (46-92=138) in 202 games. He was known as a smart and determined player with good hands.

Our condolences to the Cavanagh family and friends.

Rest in Peace, Mr. Cavanagh



Albany Devils Booster Club Loses its President, Tom Schamerhorn

From www.timesunion.com, January 14, 2011, by Pete Dougherty

Albany professional hockey lost a close friend earlier this week with the passing of Tom Schamerhorn, the longtime president of the Albany River Rats and now Albany Devils booster club.

Schamerhorn, 76, died Monday at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany. He and his wife, Sue, who survives, have been fixtures at home games, usually seated at the booster club table.

The Devils plan to recognize Schamerhorn during the first period of tonight's game against Binghamton. There also was a pregame scoreboard message, "In Loving Memory of Tom Schamerhorn, 1934-2011," at Times Union Center.

The complete obituary is below: **Thomas B. Schamerhorn**

Thomas Benjamin Schamerhorn, 76, of 39 Division St., Catskill, died Monday, Jan. 10, 2011 at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany. He was born July 13, 1934 in Catskill, the son of the late Vincent and Rita (Carney) Schamerhorn; and stepson of the late Thomas Wynne.

Thomas served in the US Navy and was a veteran of the Korean Conflict. He owned and operated Service World Office Equipment Repair in Catskill for many years prior to his retirement. He was the President and member of the Albany Devils Booster Club; and a member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was predeceased by a brother, Raymond Schamerhorn.

Mr. Schamerhorn is survived by his wife, Mrs. Susan (Cole) Schamerhorn of Catskill; three children, Thomas M. Schamerhorn of Greece, NY, Neva Boyer of Catskill, Stacey Depasquale of T.odi, NJ; five siblings, Marion Wagoner of Catskill, Dolores Clark of South Cairo, Robert Wynne of Catskill, Dennis Wynne of Palenville, Maureen Hildenbrand of Coxsackie; five grandchildren, Gregory and Marisa Schamerhorn, Rita Tompkins, Benjamin Boyer, Stephen DePasquale; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. As per Thomas's request, there will be no calling hours. Private cremation was performed at Park View Cemetery in Schenectady. A celebration of his life will be held in the spring at the convenience of the family.

