



Passing the Puck

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January 2012

Rochester Americans Booster Club

Upcoming Events

- Jan 6-8 - Trip to WBS, Binghamton, Hershey.
- Jan 12 - General Meeting at Sports Center at MCC.
- Feb 9 - General Meeting at Sports Center at MCC.
- Mar 8 - General Meeting at Sports Center at MCC.
- Mar 25 - Euchre Tournament
- Apr 14 - Trip to Lake Erie.
- Apr 12 - General Meeting at Sports Center at MCC.

January

Dec. Birthdays

- 1/2 Ann Schauber
- 1/4 Joan Fletcher
- 1/5 Carol Hutchins
- 1/7 Kathee Fisk
- 1/9 Jim Adams
- 1/9 Jean Dibble
- 1/10 Jackson O'Connor
- 1/11 Terry Thiele
- 1/12 Mary Dibble
- 1/14 Christina Falbo
- 1/14 Kathy French
- 1/15 James Scott
- 1/27 Kathie O'Connor
- 1/28 Barbara Whitmore
- 1/30 Mark Toombs
- 1/31 Debbie Rector

President's Report - Virginia Paddock

Well Christmas is over and a New Year is starting. The Christmas Family was very appreciative of everything. I would like to thank all the members who helped with this project..



If anyone has any ideas to make the Club better, please see myself or a Board member.

At the January 2012 meeting Bill Flynn will be showing some old film from the late 1950's and early 1960's, So be sure to come out to the meeting to see them.

I hope everyone has a great New Year.

GO AMERKS, BRING HOME THE CUP!!!!!!

Vice President's Report - Mark Polizzi

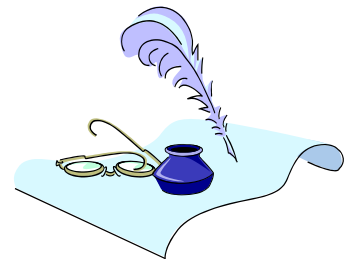
Hello! I hope everyone had a Great Holiday and New Year!

I am in need of workers for the games, if you are interested please contact me at the games or my phone or email. Thanks again everyone!

Also if anyone has any ideas on how to help me get more **new** workers please contact me.

Let Go Amerks! Support your Amerks and the Booster Club.

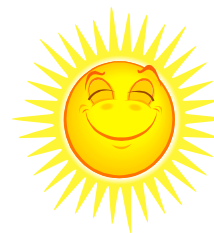
As always if you have any questions I can be reached at either by phone at 585-469-1699 or email- map13@frontiernet.net.



Web Site — Bill Flynn (con't page 2)

Join us at the Booster Club Meeting Thursday January 12th at the MCC Sports Centre at 7pm. Dave Sturm found some War Memorial Amerks home movies from the 1958-59 and 61-62 seasons at a garage sale that we'll show some clips from. Also, local jersey collector Dave Parlet will display some Amerks and opponent game worn uniforms seen in the films. Dave's jerseys are displayed on the Booster club website at <http://www.amerksboosterclub.com/amerksuniforms.html> "

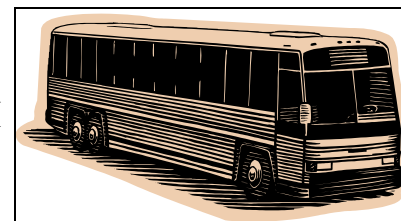
Sunshine Committee - Jenny Schuber



- A Thinking of You Card was sent to Dorothy VanVleck.
- A Get Well Card sent to Mike Ryan.
- A Get well Card sent to Betty Evans.
- A Get Well Card sent to Carol Carey.
- A Sympathy Card sent to Deb Feely for the death of her Brother-in-law.
- If anyone knows of any sickness, deaths, births or weddings please let me know.
- You can call me at home at 585-654-6522 or you can e-mail me at (jensch628@aol.com)

TRANSPORTATION: ANN PADDOCK

- **Friday, January 6, 2012 WBS 7:05 overnight in WBS, then Saturday, January 7, 2012 Binghamton 7:05 PM overnight in Hershey, then Sunday, January 8, 2012 Hershey 5:00 PM home after game. Stop by the table to pick up your complete information for the three day trip.**
- **We only have one more trip planned for the year. We will be going to Cleveland on April 14 and 15th. Stop by the table and see me for details. Saturday, April 14, 2012 Lake Erie 7:30 PM overnight. Bus leaves about Noon on April 14, arrives home April 15 about 3:00 PM**



	Single	Double	Triple	Quad
Senior	\$216	\$152	\$131	\$121
Member	\$240	\$170	\$146	\$135
Non-Member	\$264	\$186	\$161	\$150

Deposit due: 2-3-2012, Final payment: 3-2-12.

- **Also we do have 10 tickets for sale for any Syracuse game. If you are interested let me know and the tickets will be at will call for you.**

Website — Bill Flynn (con't from page 1)

The amerksboosterclub.com website is a great resource for past and present Booster Club and Rochester Americans history and information. Game photos and Passing the Puck newsletters are available going back to the 2007-08 seasons. Check out the trivia quizzes, audio features, game puck report plus every team photo going back to 1956-57. Links are also provided for other AHL booster clubs, plus other features... at amerksboosterclub.com . "

WAYS AND MEANS - Sherry Petta

Hello everyone,

Hope everyone is having a great New Year!! Hopefully our team and the Sabres will have a healthy New Year with many guys out injured there have been nights where we barely had enough players to compete in the games.

Please buy your 50/50 tickets at the general meetings to support our Booster Club's annual Christmas family and also to raise money for local charities.

We are also selling 2012 Enjoy The City books for \$20.00 please see Barb Jarosinski if you want to purchase a book with many coupons to save money on car washes, restaurants, movie tickets etc..

Also Mike is selling 2012 Lottery Calendars for \$20.00 Please see Mike Petta with your lucky numbers as the saying goes you have to be in it to win it!!

As always keep supporting the club by buying our raffle tickets to support local charities and youth hockey teams. Happy New Year and Go Amerks!!!

Exec Foundation Report - Mary Dibble

A monetary donation was given to the Perinton Youth Hockey Travel Major Pee Wee AA team to be used toward tournament entry fees. The team helped the Booster Club sell raffle tickets on November 18.

The Webster Youth Hockey Pee Wee A team received a monetary donation to help offset costs for ice time, tournaments, and skills development clinics. The team was very successful in selling the most raffle tickets so far this year on December 9.

A Christmas Card was received from the Arthritis Foundation Upstate New York Chapter. Still under consideration to receive monetary donations are three hockey teams and four charities.

Happy Holidays to everyone from Mary Dibble, Donna Adams, and Mike Nolan.

Entertainment -Sandy Clement

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year! I would like to thank all of the Booster Club members for your support by attending the many great events that we had in 2011. The picnic in July was a fun day with delicious food and great company. The Meet the Players dinner was an opportunity for all of us to meet our Amerks staff and team and show them how much we love hockey! The Christmas party helped us get on with our holiday spirit with Coach Rolston as our guest. Thank you also for all of your generous support for our Christmas family. Looking forward to seeing you at more events in 2012!



Charities - Norine Borelli

The Booster Club will be ringing bells for The Salvation Army on Saturday December 10th from 1:00 to 3:00 Greece Town Mall outside the food court doors. If you are interested, please contact me either by phone 585-746-9616 or email houlder2@rochester.rr.com. If you are not able to make that date, but would still like to ring bells with your family, friends or co-workers, you can contact The Salvation Army at 987-9500 ext. 2313.



Our Annual Euchre Tournament will be Sunday March 25th at Hidden Valley Club House. This years charity will be Wounded Warriors. Watch the newsletter for more information.



Player Interviews - Kelly Toombs

Recently I had the chance to catch up with Zack Kassian before a game and get to know him a little better. We had a nice little talk before he went in for the game and here are some of the highlights of what we talked about.

1. Q: How does it feel to be back in Rochester?

A: Good, exciting and to developing new skills everyday and make it to the NHL.

2. Q: What is your favorite rink to play at besides Rochester?

A: In Syracuse so far.

3. Q: What is your biggest accomplishment in hockey?

A: Getting drafted by the Sabers.

4. Q What do you like to do when you are not playing hockey?

Relax, bought a dog named Jax's.

5: Q: At what age did you start playing hockey and who got you into hockey?

A: At age 8 and older Brother.

6. Q: Where are you originally from?

A: Windsor, Ontario.

7: Q: Who did you look up too growing up?

A: Brother.



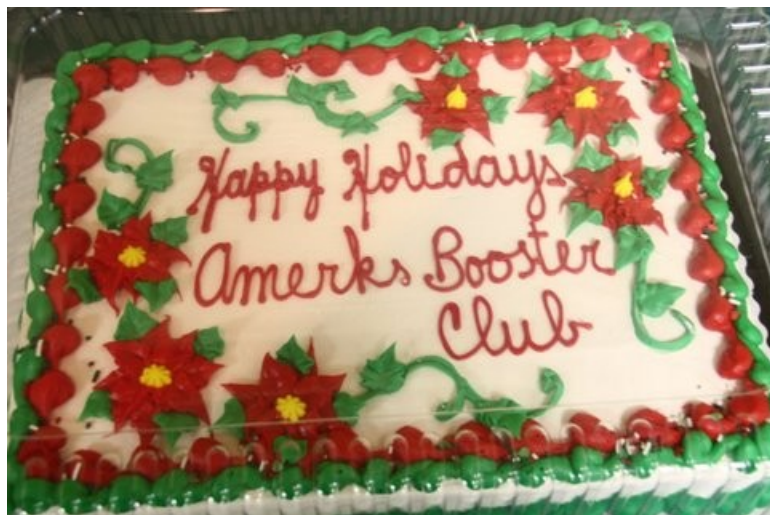
Interview on November 16, 2011
Zack Kassian



Action Pictures by Jose Hernandez



**Booster Club Christmas Party at Hidden Valley Clubhouse December 8, 2011
Special Guest - Coach Ron Rolston**



Great time had by all. Food, Ornament Exchange, Door Prizes and Hockey Fortune Cookies.
Not pictured Jim & June Torkington

Membership Communications - Gary Schaeffer

Regular Membership renewal started August 1, 2011 for the 2011-2012 season. The count of new or renewed members which includes Regular members, Lifetime members and Charter members is at 205, just over from last year 196 last year. Let's increase our numbers so we can support our youth Hockey Teams, Charities and Booster Club Team.

When filling out the form remember to give us your e-mail address so we can reduce the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter. "GO GREEN!" If you don't have a computer to get your email you can help by picking up the newsletter on the last weekend of home games of the month during the season to save on postage. My seat location is Section 206-A-4 right on the rail. Please communicate any special needs so we can better serve you.

The next step is volunteering, keeps the club rolling for anyone interested in helping with the clubs activities. Come and join in the fun with meeting new people and going new places.

Remember the Booster Club renewal allows you to receive the newsletter and join in the events with membership prices. Sign up don't let your membership expire.

Everyone has been given there Membership Card to this date. If you have not received or have a problem with your Card Please see me !

Rochester Americans Booster Club Shirts - Gary Schaeffer

We have Polo shirts with SHOOTING STAR LOGO in short sleeves and a little more for long sleeves. Cost of shirts range from \$20.00 -\$27.00 depending on sleeve length, size and color. We have the Rochester Americans Booster Club LOGO. Cost of shirts range from \$24.00 - \$32.00 depending on sleeve length, size and color. The addition of a 3 season **Jacket** is available. The prices range from \$48.00 to \$54.00 depending on size of jacket.

Please note : The Month of February will be the next time to place your orders. Get your order in ASAP so I can fill another order the end of February. The Booster Club ordered \$272.00 of merchandize. Thank you.

Send completed form with your check, **no cash**, to: Gary Schaeffer 32 Green Clover Dr., Henrietta, NY 14467, check or cash accepted at meetings, events or at the Booster Club table. For special orders or questions please call me or send an email.

I like to say thank you to "Alphonse Sports" for making our Booster Club Shirts and Jacket available.

Lottery Calendars - Mike Petta Let's Go Amerks!!!!

Lottery calendars are membership numbers limited to 1000 Tickets (000-999) and are good for the **whole year**, January 1st to December 31st. The winners are based on the **New York State Evening Drawing only**. Tickets are selling for \$20.00 with a chance to win \$25.00, if the actual number is drawn and if the number above or below the actual number comes up you win \$5.00 . **Don't forget ticket sellers receive \$5.00 on actual number drawn.**

We have the 2012 Lottery calendars on sale in for \$20.00, so if you know of a number that you would like, please let myself, Sherry Petta or Virginia Paddock know and we will pull them out for you.

As of this issue of the newsletter we've sold **90** tickets for 2012.

You can even help by getting numbers for them, remember **\$5.00 for seller**. of the new year of 2012.. To get tickets (specific lucky numbers) please phone or see Mike or Sherry Petta at any meeting or home game at the booster club table.

Thank You to everyone for supporting our club. Hope everyone has a very Happy New Year in 2012 and as always Go Amerks!!!

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Active Member Award	Richard Dries				
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**God Bless America
Support our Troops!**

The Rochester Americans Booster Club is in its 46th 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 planned throughout the year. Get Involved - Support our Team!

Membership Communications - Gary Schaeffer

Send an application form (off web site or ask any board member) with your check to ROCHESTER AMERICAN BOOSTER CLUB, P.O. BOX 26454, ROCHESTER, N Y 14626. **Please make all checks payable to: Rochester Americans Booster Club.**

Articles for the February newsletter are due by January 18.

The February newsletter will be Mailed due to no games scheduled the end of the month, if you are not receiving it by e-mail.

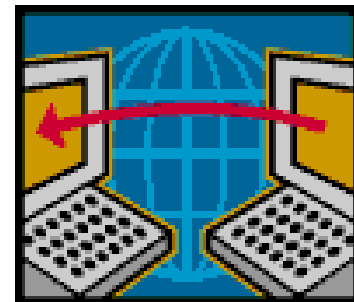
REMEMBER if you have not renewed by **December 1** you will not be considered a member in good standing and will not receive any more newsletters or club privileges.

Remember to GO GREEN and receive the newsletter by E_MAIL or receive at the Game to save postage. Don't forget to pick-up your newsletter at my seat 206-A-4 before game or between the 1st and 2nd period. If you find you are receiving both e-mail and hard copy please advise me so I can correct at amerksfan273@aol.com.



*****Don't forget to drop off any used printer cartridges for the "Staples Rewards" to earn credit towards printing of the newsletter. Thank you.**

Welcome NEW members: Bonnie Heddon and James Scott.



Next Meeting: January 12, 2011 - Sports Centre of MMC, 7:00 PM