

# Sabrepoints



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## March 2013

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## President's Message

How things have changed since my last message at the start of February. The team was playing well at that time and things looked really good for our Sabres. Then came the numerous losses, the booing of the fans (not Booster Clubs Members) and coach Lindy Ruff being relieved of his coaching duties.

I would like to say thank you, on behalf of the Booster Club, to Lindy Ruff for everything that he has done for Sabres throughout his tenure with the team and wish him luck in the future. I am sure that we will see him coaching another team in the future.

I would also like to welcome Ron Rolston as interim coach. The Booster Club is behind you and wishes good luck with team. We understand that it is going to take time to switch from Coach Ruff's style of play/game plans to yours and will be cheering you and the team on throughout the rest of the season.

On to our club's business. At last month's meeting we voted on the charities to receive the profits from last years candy sales at the Booster Club Booth at the First Niagara Center. The following organizations/charities were selected by our members as the recipients: Buffalo Companion Animal Network, Camp Get A Way, Lakeview Animal Sanctuary, Niagara Frontier American Legion #1401, Seven Chances, Special Places Buffalo and Wild Kritters. \$6000.00 will be divided between these charities. The checks will be mailed out soon. The charities/organizations that were not selected for the funds will be carried over to next years vote along with new recommendations by our members.

The Club is looking at doing a "car pool" road trip to watch an Amerks game on April 20th. More information will be available at the meeting.

It is Booster Club election time, look for more information in this month's Sabrepoints to see what offices are up for election this year.

I would also like to remind everyone that we have an autographed puck to give away at every meeting. Last month it was Patrick Kaleta's. For more information on the puck give-away look at last months issue of Sabrepoints, you do not need to be at the meeting to win.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone that the March meeting is on <u>Wednesday March 13th</u>, not our usual Tuesday. I hope to see you all there.

Until next month, GO SABRES!!!

Kevin

All meetings will be held at First Niagara Center at 7:30pm unless otherwise noted General Membership Meeting Dates Dates are subject to change due to First Niagara Center events.

Wednesday, March 13th

Tuesday, May 14th

Tuesday, April 9th



## Autographed Stick Raffle

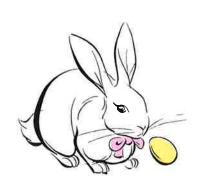
We are raffling off an autographed Sabres stick again this year as our Club's fundraiser. The stick was donated to the Booster Club by the Buffalo Sabres and has been autographed by Thomas Vanek.

Tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10 and the raffle is open to Club members and non-members alike. The stick will be raffled off at the end of the Sabres season.

Tickets can be purchased at the booth on game nights or can be requested by members via our the Sabrepoints email address, <u>sabrepoints@verizon.net</u>.

Members will receive 1 free ticket in their name for every 8 tickets they sell. The proceeds from the stick raffle will be used to offset the costs of running the club- printing, mailing, insurance etc.

Thank you Buffalo Sabres and Thomas Vanek for the stick and good luck to everyone who purchases a ticket.





## Monthly Autographed Puck Give Away

Don't forget to enter for your chance to win and autographed Buffalo Sabres puck, if you will not be attending the meeting. Send your post card to:

Kevin Rider BSBC Monthly Drawing 178 South St Lockport, NY 14094

By March 11th.

Good Luck!!!



## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

At the March meeting we will be accepting nominations for

President (Kevin is not able to run again. He has served 2 two year terms) General Secretary Recording Secretary

You must be a member in good standing to be able to run for office. A member in good standing has to have attended the majority of the Booster Club meetings from September to March. (The Holiday Party does not count as a meeting.) To run for President you must have been a former Board Member. If you are interested or know someone who is, please let us know at the March meeting.

## **Charity/Organization**

The following organizations or charities have chosen by our members to receive funding from from the 2011/2012 candy bar sales at the Arena.

#### Buffalo Companion Animal Network - Pet Food Pantry

<u>Camp Get-A-Way</u> - helps provide getaways for families & children with special needs or illnesses.

<u>Lakeveiw Animal Sanctuary</u> - cares for old, abused, orphaned, injured or unwanted domestic animals or wildlife. They offer the animals a second chance. The sanctuary recently experienced a fire that destroyed the main barn and killed many animals.

<u>Niagara Frontier American Legion Post #1041</u> Working to establish a transitional residence site to assist returning female service members. No such facility exists in our area.

<u>Seven Chances</u> - helps those who have fallen through the cracks (ill, poor, needy, disabled, economically disadvantaged) to make it through their challenges.

<u>Special Spaces Buffalo</u> - Create dream bedrooms for sick children so they can be a bit more comfortable during their challenges.

<u>Wild Kritters</u> -Cares for orphaned, injured and sick wildlife with a goal to rehabilitate the animals and return them back to their natural habitat.

#### **FUNDRAISING**

Do you want to order from Avon or Tastefully Simple and don't attend meetings or take our fundraising to all your friends and family? Online ordering is available and have it shipped directly to you or them, anywhere in the U.S. And now is the perfect time to start holiday shopping! You can even have it shipped as a gift!!

For Avon orders:

Have the visit www.youravon.com/lmakowski

Click Online Events

They will see the Buffalo Sabres Booster Club Event

Then they click on shop my event and have fun!

When they are checking out they need to enter the code BSBC201213 **not** the free shipping or other promotional code Avon lists on the site. If they do not enter this code, the Booster Club will not receive credit. They will still receive whatever offer Avon has. So if there is a free shipping code, for example, and they use BSBC201213 and spend the amount necessary for free shipping, they will still receive free shipping. Note: The code was entered with no caps when set up, however, Avon converts to all caps. So if they have trouble, have them take off the caps.

#### For Tastefully Simple Orders:

Have them visit www.tastefullysimple.com/web/lmakowski

Click on Shop Our Products

Scroll down and click Search for Host or Party

Enter buffalo as first name and booster as last name with NY as state.

Search

Your will see a catalog party for Buffalo Sabres Booster Club in NY with consultant Lori Makowski on May 7, 2013. Select

Shop!

Once you are done shopping and checking out, make sure to <u>enter a delivery address other than the host</u> (if you ship to the host, you will not receive your products until May!)

Enjoy!

Thank you for supporting the Buffalo Sabres Booster Club! Lori



## **Chris Cooks**



#### For St. Patty's Day

Pot of Gold Potato Soup Submitted by Rosemary (MN) HQ Resident Chef

#### Ingredients

Perfectly Potato Cheddar Soup Mix

6 cups cold water

2 medium Yukon Gold potatoes (about 1 pound), peeled and cut into 1/2-inch cubes

8 oz. bacon, cut into 1-inch dice

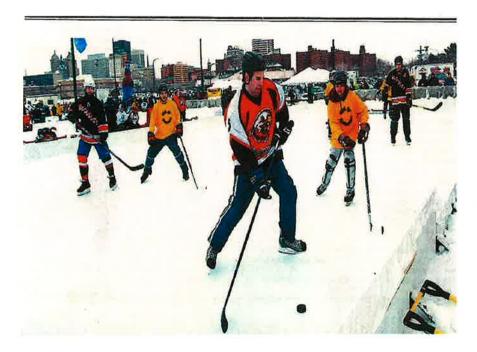
Shredded Cheddar cheese for garnish

#### **Directions**

Combine first 3 ingredients in a medium saucepan; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer gently for 30-35 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Stir often. While soup simmers, cook bacon in a large skillet until crisp; drain. Stir cooked bacon into finished soup; serve immediately garnished with Cheddar cheese. Makes 6-7 servings.

## **BOOSTER CLUB BOOTH**

Do you attend Sabres home games and would like to earn more points? Why not consider working at the Booster Club Booth at First Niagara Center. Help is needed before the games and between periods. You do not have to work alone. One of the Board Members will be present. Stop down at the Booth before any game or talk to them at any meeting and let Sue or Jen know what games you will be available to work.



Do you recognize the hockey player in the front of the picture?

It is our own Charlie Eichhorn participating in the Labatt Blue Pond Hockey Tournament.

### **2013 NHLBC CONVENTION**

A list of the pre-convention activities with costs is now available. If anyone is interested in a copy, please contact me. Next payment of \$100 plus payment for pre-convention activities is due at the March Meeting. Camp shirts are also available for \$15. Please make all checks payable to the Buffalo Sabres Booster Club

Chris Makowski

