



# Booster Club

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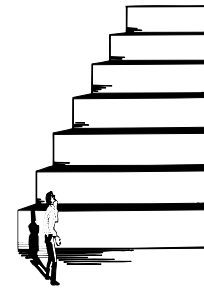
## June General Meeting



*Tuesday, June 24, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.*

*City/County Law Enforcement Building  
Second floor community meeting room*

*Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 21<sup>st</sup> Street.  
Use the north door.*



Meet your new Board – Officers will be announced

Plan Booster Club activities for the coming season

### *New Website Address*

**<[stormboosterclub.com](http://stormboosterclub.com)>**

This is the Booster Club's new, and we hope easier to remember, website address. Bookmark this address and check the site often. Changes are being made. There will be **Rosters** of Protected Players, May Draft players and Futures Draft affiliates. They will be tables which include basic information about each player.

We are also adding a **Player's Parents Page**. This is the place to go for information on getting to Kearney and finding places to stay and eat while you are here. There are also many ideas listed of things to do and places to visit during the day while you wait for that evening game.

#### **Peek at the Rough Draft Pages**

You can see these new pages as they are being developed by going to the website and selecting "Board of Directors" from the menu on the left. Go to the bottom of the page and click on the "under construction" link.

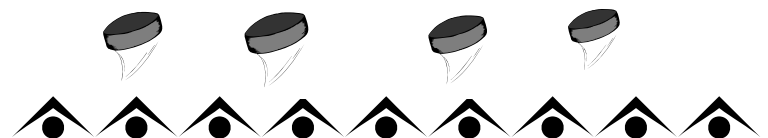


To finish out this season we have four player birthdays coming up on two days in early July.

Our two oldest players on last season's team come of age on July 5.

Aaron Rock and Pierre-Paul Lamoureux will be 21.

Three days later, on July 8 Mike Cichy and Jordon Van Gilder celebrate their birthdays. Mike will be 18 and Jordon will be 20.



# May Draft

## Have 14 Need 16 More

The Tri-City Storm had published a list of 14 protected players shortly before the May draft. Included were ten who played for the Storm last year and four from the Affiliate list. Those players are:

Josh Berg – Forward	Anthony Schooley – Forward
Mike Cichy – Forward	Greg Thocker – Forward
Chris Franks – Defense	Tom Craig – Forward
Danny Heath – Defense	Charlie Raskop – Defense
Nick Hopper – Goalie	Alec Rush – Defense
Ryan Peltoma – Defense	David Chaney – Defense
Troy Power - Forward	Torin Snyderman - Forward

To bring the protected list up to 30 sixteen more players were drafted on May 14<sup>th</sup>. They are listed here with their position.

Sean Escobedo – Defense  
Eli Zuck – Forward  
Rick Pinkston – Defense  
Nick Maricic – Goalie  
Max Tardy – Forward  
Matt Zarbo – Forward  
Joe Zarbo – Forward  
Anthony DeCenzo – Forward  
Steve Weinstein – Defense  
Charlie Doderio – Defense  
Tyler Lopic – Forward  
Ben Hughes – Defense  
Kent Daavettila – Forward  
Jason Fabian – Forward  
Jordan Van Gilder - Forward

### An Additional Bit of Information

While the Storm drafted brothers to play for us in the coming season, Sioux City drafted twins.

## May Draft Player Profiles

Here is information that was available about each of the players selected in the May draft. Since tryout camp is now past, whether they attended or not is noted at the end of each profile.

### Sean Escobedo D, 6'0", 180, 10/27/1990

Sean comes from Bayside, a neighborhood in the Queens in New York City. In last year's draft he was selected by the Sioux Falls Stampede but was released in June. Sean played for Apple Core in the EJHL during the past season where he recorded 13 points (2g, 11a) in 32 games. He has been called a steady, stay at home defenseman.

Sean attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.



### Eli Zuck

F, 5'11", 182, 9/20/1989

Eli is from Anchorage, Alaska. He has been attending Shattuck St. Mary's in Faribault, MN. He is described as a "small, playmaking forward".

Eli has committed to Minn. State – Mankato in the 08 or 09 season. He attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.

### Robbie Vannelli D, 5'11", 155, 5/1/1990

Robbie attended St. Thomas Academy in St. Paul, MN, last season. He made the cut after Saturday's games at tryout camp but did not play the second All-Star game on Sunday.

### Rick Pinkston

D 6'1", 187, 10/4/1990.

Rick's home town is Trenton Michigan which is located south of Detroit along the Detroit River. It has a population of 19,584. He played for Detroit's

Little Caesar's last season.

Rick attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.



## Nick Maricic (Mari-sek)

G, 6'2", 208, 1/20/1990

Nick comes from Alta Loma, Calif. but he has already spent some time away from home playing for the NTDP U-18 team in Ann Arbor, MI. Nick graduated from high school now this spring and is committed to Yale. He was with the California Wave U-16 team when it was featured in the hockey documentary *In The Crease*. This film follows the California Wave Bantam AAA hockey team as it pursues a national title.

Nick attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.

## Max Tardy F, 5'11", 175, 10/27/1990

Max is from Duluth, MN where he was a junior at East H.S. last year. He has been evaluated as a "good play maker". Max has committed to Minnesota-Duluth. During the off-season he plays baseball.

Max was able to play in some of the tryout camp games and made the final cut.



## Matt Zarbo

F, 6'1", 185, 5/7/1990

Matt's home is Grand Island, NY, but he has spent time in Boston playing for the Jr. Bruins. He graduated from high school

in Grand Island and plans to take some community college courses during the coming hockey season. Then he will be going to Clarkson University in New York.

Matt attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.

## Joe Zarbo F, 6', 170, 8/10/1991

Younger brother, Joe, also from Grand Island, NY, will be a senior in high school this fall. He also played for the Jr. Bruins last season where he and Matt played on the same line at least part of last season. Their stats for goals and assists during that time was impressive.

Joe has also committed to Clarkson University

but for the '09 or '10 season.

He and Matt have an older brother, Mark, who is transferring from Bentley to RPI to play in the coming season.

Joe attended tryout camp and made the final cut there.



## Anthony DeCenzo

F, 5'9", 165, 8/25/1989

Anthony is from Hibbing, MN, where he graduated from Hibbing High School on Saturday evening of tryout camp. He played his two games of the day in the morning so he

could go home for graduation.

Anthony was chosen in last year's draft. He joined the Storm team last spring after his high school hockey season ended. He had been evaluated as being a talented forward who can do everything pretty well. We saw that last spring.

Anthony was drafted again in May and attended the first half of tryout camp. He was not on the All-Star lists for the Sunday games since he had gone home to graduate.

## Steve Weinstein D, 5'9, 148, 08/13/1990

Steve's home is Los Angeles, CA, where he played for the LA Selects, AAA Midgets U-18 team. He did not attend tryout camp.



## Charlie Dodero

D, 6'1", 165, 10/1/1992

Charlie comes from Bloomingdale, Illinois. He played for the Chicago Young Americans last season and was also a member of Team Illinois.

Charlie is a strong defenseman. He was the youngest player to attend tryout camp. He made the final cut.

## Tyler Lopic F, 6'2", 180, 1991

Tyler is from New Prague, MN where he was a junior in high school last year.

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No room to tell about Tryout Camp. Look for it in the July Newsletter.

(Profiles, cont.)

He has been called “a speedy, high-scoring winger”. Tyler was the first recruit to commit to Wisconsin in 2010. Since he has 3 older brothers who are 6’4”, Tyler may not be done growing yet.

He did not attend tryout camp.

### **Ben Hughes D**

Ben was a member of Team Illinois. He has been called a “good skating defenseman that is very smart and moves the puck well”. Ben did not attend tryout camp.



### **Kent Daavettila**

F, 5’10”, 178, 5/17/1990

Kent played Midget AAA for Detroit Compuware last season. Scouting reports say he is “strong at crashing the net with the ability to score”.

He was tendered by the Marquette Rangers in the NAHL last February.

Kent attended tryout camp and made the cut to the All-Star team.

### **Jason Fabian F, 6’3”**

Jason attended Roseau H.S. in Roseau, MN last year. He is a serious football player as well as hockey player. He is also considering the Bismark Bobcats in the NAHL.

Jason was listed as a nonparticipating player on the tryout camp roster, possibly because he was graduating that weekend. While Roseau is in Minnesota, it’s a long way from Minneapolis.

### **Jordan Van Gilder**

F 5’9”, 170, 7/8/1988

Jordan’s is a familiar face since he played for the Tri-City Storm last season. He was injured toward the end of the season and released. Since he elected not to go on to college next fall after all, Coach had to draft him to get his playing rights back.