

Convention Package

Welcome to Philly 2018



August 10-12, 2018

THE HOTEL

Valley Forge Casino Resort – The Radisson Hotel Valley Forge
1160 First Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406
610-337-2000

Our hotel has 485 rooms, hi speed internet service and the other usual amenities. All rooms have refrigerators. There are several eating options in both the Radisson and the attached casino hotel. There is a bar and restaurant at the pool area as well. When you stay at the Radisson you have access to both hotels and the casino. There is a free shuttle available to the King of Prussia Mall where you can find a food court and many restaurants and even more shopping since it has been enlarged.

For those driving or renting a car there is free parking on the premises of the hotel.

DIRECTIONS

FROM THE SOUTH

Take I-95 North to I-476 North (exit 7 - Plymouth Meeting) to I-76 West (exit16B -Schuylkill Expressway).

****Take Mall Blvd. Exit (exit 327 - last exit before tolls). This is a two right lane exit stay in the left exit lane until you pass exits 328A & 328B. Once you exit at 327 stay right and bear right just before the 1st traffic light to go onto Mall Boulevard. Bear right just before the 1st traffic light to go onto North Gulph Road. Proceed approximately one mile to the 6th traffic light and make a right (First Avenue). Make a left into hotel parking lot. Our hotel is the round building.

FROM NJ AND NORTH

Take the NJ Turnpike South to the Pennsylvania Turnpike (exit 6). **Exit at Valley Forge (exit 326). Keep to the right at toll plaza. Take the Valley Forge National Historical Park Exit (exit 327 - first right just past toll booth). Proceed approximately one mile to the 6th traffic light and make a right (First Avenue). Make a left into hotel parking lot. Our hotel is the round building.

FROM PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Once you exit the airport follow signs for I-76 West (Schuylkill Expressway) following signs for Valley Forge. Follow above directions (from South) ****

ALTERNATE ROUTE FROM AIRPORT

Once you exit the airport follow signs for I-95 South (Chester-Wilmington). Follow to I-476 North (exit7 - Plymouth Meeting) to I-76 West (exit16B -Schuylkill Expressway). Follow above directions (from South) ****

FROM THE WEST

Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Follow above directions (from NJ and north)**

TRANSPORTATION

Shuttle

We recommend Tropiano Transportation for your shuttle needs to and from the airport. Reservations are the only way to guarantee a seat on the shuttle. To make a reservation call 1-800-559-2040. Current rates subject to change are \$53/person round trip. Cash only. When you arrive at the airport and have your luggage go to the Tropiano service desk and dial 19. They will tell you where to pick up your shuttle.

Note Tropiano also services Philadelphia 30th Street Train Station.

Taxi

If you wish to use a taxi from the airport the ride will cost between \$60-70. This is a per ride fare. So if you have 3 or 4 people this is a good option.

Uber and Lyft are also available.

Rental Cars

Philadelphia International Airport has just about every major rental car company. For your information there is a Budget Rental Car (direct number 610-337-3034) at the hotel. This is great if you wish to rent a car for just a few days and want to dump it during the weekend activities.

CHILDREN

Children are welcomed to attend convention. Children under the age of 18 may stay in their parents' room for free. Rollaway beds extra. While we want the children to have a good time, this is an adult event. Children will be asked to leave the Friday and Saturday night dinners AS SOON AS dancing begins. We will try to have times for children to be in hospitality rooms. However, because alcohol is present in hospitality rooms, no one under the legal drinking age of 21 is permitted without the guardian who signed the waiver form and no children will be permitted after 9 PM. At any time during the week if a minor is creating a distraction or interfering with hotel or convention staff, the minor will be asked to leave the room. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children at all times and are to see that the rules are followed.

WAIVERS

Each adult in attendance must sign a waiver form assuming responsibility for his or her actions. A parent or guardian must sign a waiver for any children attending under their supervision.

CONVENTION PACKAGE COSTS

The following are the costs for the weekend package which includes hotel Friday and Saturday nights, dinner Friday and Saturday, and breakfast Saturday and Sunday.

Single - \$510 Children under 18 with parent - \$175
Double - \$375
Triple - \$330
Quad - \$300

EXTRA NIGHTS

Extra nights in the hotel will be available at the following rates per room per night. These rates do not include applicable taxes.

Single \$139
Double \$139
Triple \$149
Quad \$159

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Please remember that these are the dates deposits are due in Philadelphia NOT the date they are due to your convention coordinator.
All payments are in U.S. funds.

December 1, 2017 - \$100 Non-refundable
February 1, 2018 - \$100 plus all pre-convention activities
April 1, 2018 - \$100
June 1, 2018 - Balance Due

As in the past, please pay your convention chair, who will send one check for those attending from your club.

All checks are payable to Philadelphia Flyers Fan Club -NHLBCC 2018.
All registration materials and convention correspondence should be sent to:
NHLBCC 2018
c/o Evelyn Gross
4205 Poplar Street
Garnet Valley, PA 19060-6874

610-497-2818

eviehockey@aol.com

CANCELLATION POLICY

The first \$100 of your payment is non-refundable. All pre-convention activities are non-refundable unless someone else takes your place.

Any cancellation made by June 1, 2018 will be at 100% of monies paid except for the \$100 deposit. We will make every effort to be able to refund the \$100 as well but will only do so after all convention bookkeeping has been completed..

Cancellations made by July 1, 2018 will be made at 50% of monies paid.

No refunds will be made for cancellations after July 1, 2018. In every case, we will make every effort to be able to refund the 100% monies paid, but will only do so after all convention bookkeeping has been completed.

DINNER THEMES

Friday

We want to see you dressed in keeping with your favorite Olympic sport – summer or winter. One exception NO ICE HOCKEY. There may be costume prizes and maybe a game or two to set the A-lympic mood. A buffet dinner will be served.

Saturday

Show us your colors! Some of the most treasured convention pictures and memories feature a myriad of logos and colors (some even show “hated rivals”). We want to see a rainbow of jerseys and t-shirts in a show of togetherness the NHLBCC is famous for. After all “Brotherly love and beer is why we’re here.” A banquet style dinner will be served. Menu choices are on the registration form.

SURVIVOR NIGHT

Many of us have been here before so keep in mind the guidelines for survivor night:

1. This is an adult event. No one under the age of 21 will be allowed to participate.
2. Survivor night will begin at approximately midnight. If you are officially going to survive you are expected to stay in the designated areas from starting time until breakfast.
3. All adult rookies are eligible for rookie of the year regardless of club affiliation.
4. The PFFC reserves the right to disqualify anyone in noncompliance of these guidelines. Please! We are there to have fun don't make us have to police you.

ADS FOR CONVENTION BOOKLET

If you wish to place an ad in the convention book, please send the information directly to Evelyn (see mailing info Page 3)

Prices for ads are:

Full Page	\$100.00
Half Page	\$50.00
¼ Page	\$25.00
Business Card	\$10.00

SHUTTLE TO KING OF PRUSSIA MALL

The hotel provides a free shuttle to the King of Prussia Mall (1 mile) which is one of the largest malls in the United States. There you will find all types of department stores and many, many shops. There are also many restaurants from food courts to elegant dining. Please contact the Concierge or front desk for times and reservations.

CATHOLIC MASS

We are trying to hold mass at the hotel Saturday late afternoon. If not, rides will be provided to a nearby church. Time to be determined.

PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES ARE FORTH COMING. WE HOPE TO HAVE THEM TO YOU NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1.

NHLBCC 2018 Registration Form

This form must be completed by each attendee and returned with the initial deposit Please print all information on this form.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone _____

Email: _____ Booster Club: _____

Name for I.D. Badge: _____ Number of Previous Conventions: _____

Program Information (please circle) Include all Omit Address. Omit Phone Number Omit Email

Age circle one: under 21 21 or over Birthday: _____/_____ (month/day)

Room Type (please circle choice) Single (\$510) Double (\$375) Triple (\$330) Quad (\$300)

Child under 18 staying in room with parent (\$175)

Special Room Needs: Circle all that apply Handicap (Please note handicap rooms are inside rooms)
King Size Bed Roll Away Bed (\$25 per stay -available only in King Room)

Roommate Information

Name: _____ Club: _____

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Do you need a roommate: _____

Hotel Arrival Date: _____ Hotel Departure Date: _____ Method of arrival to Philadelphia: _____

Saturday Night Dinner (please circle choice): Roasted Chicken Breast Pesto Crusted Salmon
Prime Rib Vegetarian Children's Plate (chef's choice)

Please list any food allergies or special dietary needs: _____

National Hockey League Booster Club Convention Liability Waiver

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Each registrant over 21 must complete this form and return it with his/her Registration Form.

I, _____, hereby accept any and all responsibility for my actions and the actions of others within my control. I also accept responsibility for my actions and the actions of others within my control arising out of any act or failure to act as a direct and proximate cause of consumption of alcoholic beverages provided by the Philadelphia Flyers Fan Club or any other National Hockey League Booster Club participating in this convention, as well as any employee of the Radisson Hotel or any pre-convention activity host. I hereby absolve and hold harmless any social host who may supply alcohol to me and others under my control, and I accept full and complete responsibility for my actions and their results occasioned by my voluntary consumption of alcoholic beverages. I understand that the legal drinking age for the state of Pennsylvania is 21 years of age.

Please print all information

Registrants Name: _____

Registrants Signature: _____

Witness: _____

Date: _____

I am the parent or guardian of the following minor(s) (under 18) and I accept responsibility for them.

Minors Name: _____

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This form is to be returned with the initial deposit for all attending NHLBCC2018.

PRECONVENTION ACTIVITIES 2018

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

PHILLIES GAME 11AM – after the game
Price TBD (approx \$35 for ticket and possibly bus fare)

This is the only Phillies game available during Convention Week. We figured this would be a nice opportunity for early arrivals to sample Citizens Bank Park. Built in the early 2000's this park has all the modern features of today's ball parks yet has the feel of yesterday. You'll want time to explore. Check out Ashburn Alley, with all the Food Samples featuring a hint of Phila. (Cheesesteaks, etc.). Plus you'll be able to sample a great BBQ Stand. Bull's BBQ (Greg Luzinski, great Phillie of the 1970's and 80's) is a legend and a must try. Game time is scheduled for 1:35 PM ET. We realize this event is early in the week so as of now we'll only purchase the game tickets which should be approx. \$35.00. We will shuttle you in our cars. If there are enough people for a bus we'll add this to the cost of the trip.

MONDAY, AUGUST 6

CAPE MAY WHALE WATCHING AND TROLLEY TOUR 7AM-6:30PM Price \$135

Take a 2 hour and 15 minute ride to Cape May, NJ. All aboard the Cape May Whale Watcher for a 2-hour narrated sightseeing cruise around the island of Cape May. See and hear stories about the Cape May Canal, the Delaware Bay, Cape May Harbor, and the Victorian oceanfront of Cape May. Enjoy a soup to nuts leisurely lunch at the Lobster House on Cape May's Fisherman's Wharf. Main course choices are on signup sheet. Beverages include coffee, tea, and iced tea. After lunch we'll experience Historic Cape May up close on a 45 minute trolley tour covering Cape May's National Landmark District: the Gingerbread Houses, the oldest residential street in town, and the elegant Grande Homes of the Victorian Commercial Center. After the trolley tour our bus will take us to State Park where we will view the famous Cape May Lighthouse. Walk around the park, take pictures and the brave can take the 199 steps to the top of the lighthouse. The fee for the "steps" is \$8.00 per person which is not included in the trip price.

There is quite a bit of walking on this trip. Price includes: bus, cruise, lunch, trolley tour, tour guide, and all taxes and gratuities including tour guides, and bus drivers.

BOWLING 5PM-10:30PM Price \$40

Are you a bowler? Do you want to be a bowler? Do you like to have fun?? Try your luck as we spend an evening trying to knock down pins. We have arranged for three hours of bowling plus a delicious Summer Picnic Buffet (Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Salads, Baked Beans, Soft Drinks, and more!!). This is the bowling alley where we have most of our bowling parties during the season so we know you will be treated GREAT as well as having a FANTASTIC time. Prizes will be awarded for high score, low score and most unique bowling style (other than Lou).

Price includes: Three hours bowling, Unlimited buffet, FUN and bowling shoes if needed. Note, if you wish to attend the Cape May AND Bowling adventures we can arrange for this to happen.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

GETTYSBURG 7AM-10 PM Price: \$135

Our bus will begin boarding at 6:45 AM and will depart promptly at 7:00 AM for the approximately 2 hour ride to Gettysburg. When we arrive we will tour the battlefield (a guide is provided). Lunch will be a General Pickett's Buffet (includes soup and salad bar and a hot lunch buffet, and coffee, tea, iced tea and soft drinks). We will then go to the Park Visitor Center (film, cyclorama, museum, book and gift shop and refreshment stand). Next you will have a choice of three options: 1. Jennie Wade House – Jennie was the only civilian to die at the battle of Gettysburg. The house is located in “No Man’s Land” between the two armies and is riddled with bullet holes. She baked bread and provided bread, water and some medical aid to both sides. The house is said to be haunted 2. Shriver House – a taste of the civilian side of the war. This home built in 1860 as both a residence and business. The tour provides the story of the Battle of Gettysburg as seen through the eyes of the residents of Gettysburg, before during and after the Civil War. The house may have been used for supplies and as a hospital as medical supplies were found there. The house is said to be haunted, two confederate soldiers were killed in the sharpshooter’s nest in the attic. There is a gift shop here. 3. Victorian Photo Shoot – dress as union or confederate soldiers, the beautiful dresses of that time. Take home one 5X7 photo additional copies available for separate purchase. These three activities will be followed by free time during which you may do another of the activities at your own expense, or relax or just walk around and enjoy the area. Following free time we will convene for dinner at the Dobbin House. The dinner buffet includes soup and bread bar, hot entrée and sides, desserts, and coffee, tea, and iced tea, other beverages are your responsibility.

There is quite a bit of walking on this trip. Price includes: Bus, tour guide, lunch, Visitors Center, one of the three activities, dinner, taxes, and all gratuities including the tour guide and bus driver.

CITIZENS BANK BALL PARK AND YARDS BREWERY 9AM – 5:30PM \$95

First, we will have a guided tour of Citizens Bank Park, home of the Philadelphia Phillies. The 90 minute walking tour (about a mile) (handicap accessible) begins in the Majestic Clubhouse Store and include the Phillies Dugout, the Diamond Club, the Hall of Fame Club, Broadcast Booth, and the Media Room. After the tour we will take a short walk to Xfinity Live entertainment and dining complex. You will be free to browse through this exceptional venue and have lunch (on your own) while viewing games on the BIG screen. From Xfinity we will make our way to the Yards Brewery. The taproom offers 20 different beers on tap and a full menu of beer-friendly fare. A selection of Pennsylvania wines and soda are also available. While samples will be offered all other purchases of food or beverage is on your own.

Price includes Phillies Tour, Bus, entrance to Yards Brewery with free samples and bus driver gratuities.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

JUNK TOUR –HERR’S & TURKEY HILL 8:15 AM – 5 PM \$79

Let the little kid in you shine!! Our bus will take us to Nottingham, PA the home of Herr’s Potato Chips. You will be able to tour the factory and see how the famous Chips, among other things, are made. Included in the tour are a few free samples. After the tour, you’ll be able to explore the gift shop. We’ll then travel to the famous Turkey Hill Ice Cream Factory where we’ll explore a Picnic Style Lunch. After which you’ll be able to self-guide through the factory with unlimited TASTE TESTING!! THEN, we’ll all have Ice Cream Making 101 where we’ll make our OWN Pint of ice Cream, one per person and yes, to take back to the hotel, and there will be ice to keep the ice cream cold. We should arrive back at the hotel before 5 PM, plenty of time to prepare for Pub Crawl.

Price includes: Bus, tour of Herr’s and Turkey Hill, picnic lunch, ice cream tasting and a pint of ice cream and all gratuities.

PUB CRAWL 5:30 PM until Midnight Price: \$55

Our bus will leave the hotel at 5:30 for the 15 minute ride to Phoenixville. We will begin our crawl at The Great American Pub where there will be a buffet dinner (turkey or Italian pork

sandwiches, salad, and cheese rigatoni); all soft drinks are included. Alcohol is on your own. After dinner you can stay at GAP which has three bars and an outdoor (closes at 10) seating area or feel free to roam to the other establishments in the area. There are approximately 8 pubs in a two block area. We will have one bus leaving at 10PM and one leaving at 11:45PM. All bus pickups will be in front of the Great American Pub.

Price includes: Bus including driver gratuity, dinner and all taxes and gratuities.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

HERSHEY PARK 8:30AM - 9:30PM

price TBD Approx. \$139 (Hershey has not released its 2018 prices yet)

Visit the “Sweetest Place On Earth” to experience Chocolate World to see how Hershey’s chocolate is made. Spend your \$\$\$ on candy!! Ride the thrilling rides all day, get cooled off by the water rides, maybe see a show or just enjoy being in the park all day. Whatever you choose will be magical. The park opens at 10AM. Once inside explore anything the park has to offer. There will be a one hour buffet in a Pavilion. Typical picnic foods and soft beverages will be served. (Exact time unknown, approx 1PM-2PM.) Then you’ll have the rest of the day to have a BLAST!

There will be much walking on this tour if you choose to walk the park all day but there are people and sky movers to “move” you along. Also, the trip will depart whether rain or shine (if I remember last time we went in the rain.)

Price includes bus, park ticket including Chocolate World, picnic lunch, and all gratuities.

PEDDLER’S VILLAGE 8:45 AM – 4 PM \$39

Do you like wineries, a distillery, shopping and eating all in the same place? Take a trip to Peddler’s Village, located in Bucks County, PA. All these things are available to explore on this trip. Stroll through the quaint shops and we are sure you will find things of interest. You may even desire to try a wine tasting session at the Chaddsford Winery. There are over seven restaurants for lunch and over 100 places to visit in the village. You will be given a map guide on the bus. It will be a great day. You will have five hours to explore this adorable village.

There are plenty of places to sit and relax but there is also quite a bit of walking. Price includes bus and driver’s gratuity.

SPIRIT OF PHILADELPHIA DINNER CRUISE 5 PM until 10:30 PM Price \$145

Join us for a dinner cruise along the Delaware River. The Spirit of Philadelphia boat line has been offering these type of cruises for years. Enjoy the view and up and down the Delaware

while enjoying a GREAT dinner buffet, sipping on a cocktail and dancing the night away (at least until 9:30 PM). A DJ will be provided for your entertainment. Even though we will have private seating, we'll be able to mingle with other folks attending this event. A great time will be had by all and if you don't dance just enjoy the view and mingle.

Price Includes: bus including driver tip, dinner cruise, buffet, open bar, DJ and all taxes and gratuities.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

ALAN/ LOU TOUR OF PHILADELPHIA 8AM -4:15PM \$69.00

Sit back and relax while we show you Philadelphia, OUR WAY!! Our first stop is in South Philadelphia at the Italian Market, where you can view and purchase merchandise, maybe even breakfast!! Then it's on to Center City where we'll drive around Old City while viewing Phila's history with either Alan or myself narrating (THIS should make you attend the trip alone!!). Then, we'll plop you right in front of the famed Reading Terminal, a Philadelphia tradition since 1893, for lunch (on your own). You will find everything possible to eat that is Phila!!! I'll bet THIS will make you return just for the eats!! You will have an hour to feast!! After, we will explore the historic areas with hopefully a surprise or two. Then it's on the Art Museum Steps where you'll have the opportunity to emulate a certain Philadelphia character!! There are more surprises in store!! The tour will leave the hotel at 8 AM and return by 4:15 PM to prepare you for the Convention nights' event!!

There is quite a bit of walking on this trip. Price includes bus, snacks on the bus, and driver gratuities. The order of events could change due to traffic, etc., lunch will be approx. 12:15

CRAYOLA CRAYON TOUR 9AM-3:30PM \$65

Let your creative side take over. A trip to Crayola Crayons is a perfect way to spend the day. Take a Digital Color adventure, or try Hands On as your vibrant marks explode on a doodle board.. Learn the history of how Crayola Crayons are made in a live show and explore Technology as your digital works of art come to life on a Huge projected surface. There are four floors you can view. We had a guided tour at our last Convention (2007) but Crayola doesn't offer tours any longer. So, you'll have four hours to explore every floor and bask in the world of Crayola!! Lunch will be available for purchase. The bus will depart the hotel at 9 AM and scheduled return is 3:30 PM (plenty of time to get ready for our Friday Night "show").

Price includes bus, entrance to Crayola, and driver gratuities.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

VALLEY FORGE PARK Approx. Noon – 3:45 PM \$75

After the morning meeting, treat yourself to an adventure at Valley Forge Historical Park. There will be a guided tour throughout the park. Learn about the experiences of George Washington and the Continental Army during the epic Valley Forge encampment of 1777-78. Tour stops are made at the recreated huts at the Muhlenberg Brigade, General Washington's Headquarters and a few more stops plus some drop-offs inside the park.

Price includes bus, tour, box lunch and drivers & tour guide gratuity.

ALL WEEK

In the spirit of our theme “Peep A-Lympics” we are planning some competitive games during the week. These include “Peeps Feud” and “Pool Noodle Hockey” which use 4 member teams. We will also have “Horseshoes” which uses a 2 member team. There will be many other individual competitions.

If you would like to form a team you can do so in advance. Please send a team name and the team members names and the day of your arrival to Barb at bcn4cats@yahoo.com

This is NOT a requirement to play in any competition. You will be able to join a team when you arrive.

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