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Television Play-by-Play	Joe Beninati
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Television Reporter	Al Koken

## **Verizon Center**



Verizon Center, managed by Washington Sports & Entertainment LP, is home to the Washington Capitals, as well as the NBA's Washington Wizards, the WNBA's Washington Mystics and the Georgetown Hoyas men's basketball team. Located in the heart of Chinatown off the Gallery-Place Chinatown Metro stop, Verizon Center is only a few steps away from the White House and hosts more than 220 events and concerts each year.

The \$200 million sports and entertainment facility, which played host to its first Capitals game on Dec. 5, 1997, just celebrated its 10th anniversary having entertained more than 25.9 million patrons with more than 2,192 world-class sporting events, concerts and family shows. The arena has also become a catalyst for the downtown neighborhood by sparking a dramatic redevelopment effort to the tune of \$6.2 billion.

Located within the arena are 108 luxury suites and a variety of concession stands and restaurants offering menu choices from Hunan Chinatown to Papa John's pizza to Dunkin Donuts to hot dogs and pretzels to crab cakes and deli sandwiches. Additional amenities include the private Acela Club restaurant for club seat and suite holders, the Johnnie Walker Coaches Club for Gold VIP season ticket holders, The Player's Club (private members-only club), Dewar's 12 Clubhouse open to the public an hour before and after events, The Greene Turtle Sports Bar & Grille, Fan Gear sporting goods store and VIDA Fitness and Bang Salon.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUITES/PARTY SUITE**

Between 18 and 22 guests can enjoy the VIP treatment in Verizon Center's 108 luxury suites. The luxury suites offer an exclusive membership and access to the Acela Club restaurant, premium catering and food service, early and late entry to events and countless other amenities including a private seating area, a restroom and a flat screen television.

The Crown Royal Party Suite is another exciting option for entertaining up to 99 guests at one time. Guests of the party suite have access to premium catering and food service, a private, glass-enclosed suite for meetings or hospitality purposes and a great view for the event. Another amenity of the party suite that makes it stand out from the rest of the suites at Verizon Center is the ability to rent it out on an event-by-event basis.

## HIGH-DEFINITION LED SCOREBOARD AND VIDEO WALLS

Debuting during the 2007-08 season, the brand new high-definition LED scoreboard is the first true indoor high-definition scoreboard of its kind for arenas. The center-hung scoreboard exclusively features the Diamond Vision LED Fascia, corner stat displays and video boards driven by ANC Sports' patent pending VisionSOFT operating system. Sitting at 14 feet, 5 inches high x 25 feet, 2 inches wide, the new scoreboard provides the highest clarity of all the action, including video playback, and exhibits more than 68 billion colors. The scoreboard features four 6mm video screens. four 10mm LED video matrixes measuring 5 feet x 25 feet and two 20mm LED rings. More than 1,000 feet of linear LED boards encompass the upper bowl of the arena as well as 400 feet of LED boards surrounding the lower bowl of the arena with full motion signage. Four additional LED displays highlight the top corners of the arena offering animation, 3D graphics and advertisements.

#### ACELA CLUB RESTAURANT

The Acela Club is a sophisticated and energetic restaurant exclusively available for club seat and suite holders and their guests. The unique 400-seat tiered restaurant overlooks the ice and combines gourmet dining with world-class service. The Acela Club is also used for private events.

#### JOHNNIE WALKER COACHES CLUB

VIP ticket holders can enjoy the Coaches Club before, during and after games. Located on the event floor, this private lounge serves hors d'oeuvres and beverages in the perfect setting.

#### THE PLAYER'S CLUB

Located on the Lexus Suite Level, The Player's Club is a members-only club offering a unique blend of seating, fine dining, entertainment and separate meeting spaces. The 5,000-square-foot space features a plush décor with lavish wood finishes inclusive of a full bar with top-shelf selections, a pool table, private chilled wine coolers, a fireplace, wireless Internet access, private restrooms, premium catering services and leather stadium seating. Membership to the club includes year-round access to Washington Wizards, Washington Capitals, Washington Mystics and Georgetown Hoyas games with views overlooking the court and the National Portrait Gallery located next door to Verizon Center.

#### **DEWAR'S 12 CLUBHOUSE**

The Dewar's 12 Clubhouse is located just inside Verizon Center's main lobby on F Street on the second floor. Open an hour before and an hour after events at the venue, Dewar's 12 Clubhouse offers a relaxing atmosphere for drinks, appetizers and a main course.

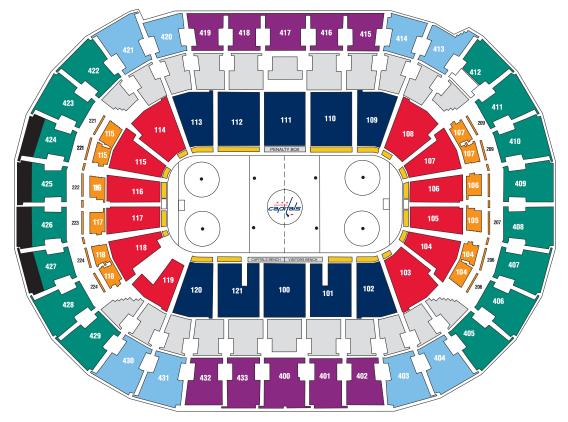
#### THE GREENE TURTLE SPORTS BAR & GRILLE

Opening its first franchise location outside of the state of Maryland in 2007 at Verizon Center, The Greene Turtle Sports Bar & Grille is the perfect setting to catch a bite to eat and drink before, during or after a game at Verizon Center. Based out of Ocean City, Md., The Greene Turtle Sports Bar & Grille satisfies an appetite for all at an affordable price.

#### FAN GEAR

Fan Gear, located just inside Verizon Center's main lobby on F Street, is every patron's favorite place to shop for team merchandise.

## **Seating Chart**



Color Key	Gate	Premium Gate	Full Season	Weekend	Pick   / 6 Pack
VIP Row A	\$250	\$265	\$200	N/A	N/A
VIP Row B	\$175	\$190	\$125	N/A	N/A
Center Preferred	\$105	\$120	\$80	<b>\$9</b> 1	\$97
Preferred	\$80	\$95	\$60	\$70	\$73
Loge Preferred	\$60	\$75	\$40	N/A	N/A
Mezzanine Center	\$50	\$65	\$30	\$4I	\$46
Mezzanine End	\$35	\$50	\$20	\$27	\$30
Mezzanine Corner	\$25	\$40	\$16	\$2I	\$22
Mezzanine Goal Zone	\$35	\$50	\$10	N/A	N/A

For information on Caps ticket plans and group sales, please call 202.266.CAPS (2277) or visit WashingtonCaps.com

## Single Game Ticket Information

For individual-game tickets please call 202-397-SEAT or order online at WashingtonCaps.com and www.ticketmaster.com. You can also purchase in person at any Ticketmaster location or the Verizon Center Box Office.

Verizon Center Box Office Hours:

Monday - Saturday 10:30 am - 5:30 pm

For directions and Metro information call Capitals Guest Services at 202-266-2350 or log on to WashingonCaps.com.

Accessible seating info 202-661-5065; TTY 202-561-5066.

## **Kettler Capitals Iceplex**



## KETTLER CAPITALS ICEPLEX

The Washington Capitals ushered in a new era for the franchise in 2006 with the opening of Kettler Capitals Iceplex, a community ice rink in Arlington, Va., that serves as the Capitals' training facility and home to the team's administrative offices. The project, a joint venture between the Washington Capitals and Arlington County, is located on the eighth level of the parking garage attached to the Ballston Common Mall.

The 137,000-square-foot facility includes two NHL-size ice rinks with seating for approximately 1,200, office space, a pro shop, a snack bar, media facilities and additional space for special events. The 20,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art training center for the Capitals features a large weight and fitness room, extensive athletic-training and medical facilities, spacious locker-room and lounge areas, a theater-style classroom and a high-tech video room.

Kettler Capitals Iceplex will host Capitals training camp for the second year in 2008. It has also played host to two Capitals summer development camps and the unveiling of the team's new logos and jerseys in 2007.

The structure was built atop the existing seven-story public parking garage at the corner of North Glebe Road and North Randolph Street in the heart of Ballston. The \$42.8 million project, designed by Architecture Inc. of Reston, Va., included the addition of an eighth level of parking to the garage. Kettler Capitals Iceplex is the only rink in the United States built eight or more stories above street level.

The facility is the first indoor ice rink inside the Capitol Beltway in Virginia and just the second facility of its kind anywhere inside the Beltway (Ft. DuPont Ice Rink in D.C. is the other). With the Orange Line reaching the Ballston Metro Station nearby, Kettler Capitals Iceplex is the only community rink located on the Metrorail system.

The two ice sheets offer an estimated 12,000 hours of ice time per year for use by youth, high school and college hockey teams, figure skating, synchronized skating, recreational skating, learn-to-skate programs and hockey and broomball. At least 500 hours of ice time will be donated by the Capitals to Arlington County to offer the economically disadvantaged and physically and mentally challenged members of the community an opportunity to use the facility.

#### **Kettler Capitals Iceplex Quick Facts**

Location: Arlington, Va. Ice Sheets: Two, 200' x 85' Square Footage: 137,000 Seating: Approx. 1,200 Project Cost: \$42.8 million Architect: Architecture Inc. General Contractor: Sigal Construction

#### **Address**

627 N. Glebe Rd. Arlington, VA 22203

#### **For More Information**

To learn more about public skating, hockey, broomball and other activities at Kettler Capitals Iceplex: Visit: www.kettlercapitalsiceplex.com Write: info@kettlercapitalsiceplex.com Call: 571.224.0555

#### Directions

*From Washington, D.C.* – Take Constitution Ave. west, toward the Lincoln Memorial ... take I-66 West ... take exit 71/Glebe Rd. and take a left on to Glebe Rd. ... pass Wilson Blvd. and the rink is on the eighth level of the parking garage attached to Ballston Common Mall.

*From National Airport* – Take George Washington Parkway North toward Arlington ... take I-66 West ... take exit 71/ Glebe Rd. and take a left on to Glebe Rd. ... pass Wilson Blvd. and the rink is on the eighth level of the parking garage attached to Ballston Common Mall.

*From Dulles Airport* – Dulles Toll Road (Rt. 267 East) to I-66 ... take I-66 East ... take exit 71/Glebe Rd. and take a right on to Glebe Rd. ... pass Wilson Blvd. and the rink is on the eighth level of the parking garage attached to Ballston Common Mall.

*From BWI Airport* – Take I-195 West to I-95 ... take I-95 South to the Capital Beltway (I-495) ... take I-495 West into Virginia ... take George Washington Parkway South ... take I-66 West ... take exit 71/Glebe Rd. and take a left on to Glebe Rd. ... pass Wilson Blvd. and the rink is on the eighth level of the parking garage attached to Ballston Common Mall.

*From Metrorail* – Kettler Capitals Iceplex is located two blocks from the Ballston stop on the Orange line ... Follow Stuart Street (or take the skywalk) to Ballston Common Mall and take the parking garage elevators to the eighth level.



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## **Lincoln Holdings LLC**



In the spring of 1999 Lincoln Holdings LLC purchased 100% of the Washington Capitals (held in the name of Lincoln Hockey LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lincoln Holdings) and, together with a subsequent purchase, approximately 44% of Washington Sports and Entertainment Limited Partnership (WSELP). WSELP owns 100% of the NBA Washington Wizards, Verizon Center and the Baltimore-Washington Ticketmaster franchise. In 2005 Lincoln Holdings purchased the WNBA's Washington Mystics from WSELP. Lincoln Holdings has a right of first refusal on the sale of any of the individual teams or other assets, as well as an option to purchase Abe Pollin's majority interest in WSELP.

All of the current partners of Lincoln Holdings are extremely active in the Washingtonarea business community.

Majority owner Ted Leonsis (see page 11) and president Dick Patrick (see page 12) were among the founding members of Lincoln Holdings LLC in 1999.

Jack Davies was the founder and president of AOL International and now serves on the board of directors of Scholastic, the global children's publishing and media company. Prior to joining AOL in 1993, Davies was managing director of Citicorp's London-based consumer mortgage business after serving as vice president, Europe, for RCA Records. He began his career at General Electric where he held numerous senior consumer marketing positions. Davies earned an MBA in marketing (1973) and a BA in political science (1972) from the University of Rochester.

Active in philanthropy in the D.C. area, Davies serves on a number of boards including the Board and Executive Committee of Venture Philanthropy Partners. In addition he is on the board of HeadsUp, See Forever Foundation, CharityWorks and The Washington Scholarship Fund.

Richard D. Fairbank is founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Capital One Financial Corporation, ranked No. 130 on the Fortune 500 and headquartered in McLean, Va. Fairbank founded Capital One in 1988 based on his belief that the power of information, technology and testing could be harnessed to bring highly customized financial products directly to consumers. Today, Capital One is a broadly diversified financial services company and the 13th largest bank in the United States, with more than 740 locations in New York, New Jersey, Texas and Louisiana and international businesses in the United Kingdom and Canada. Capital One offers a wide variety of financial services, including credit cards, auto loans, small business loans, home equity loans, installment loans and deposit and savings products. Capital One has been widely recognized for its entrepreneurial culture and people. In 2007, Capital One was named to: Fortune's "100 Best Companies to Work For," Fortune's "20 Great Employers for New Grads," BusinnessWeek's "Best Places to Launch a Career," Working Mother's "100 Best Companies" and DiversityInc's "Top 50 Companies for Diversity." In addition, in 2007, Fortune published its list of "Top Companies for Leaders," ranking Capital One second in North America and fifth globally. Under Fairbank's leadership, Capital One has demonstrated a strong commitment to community engagement and volunteerism, supporting a number of area programs focused on community redevelopment and youth education, including DC Cares, the DC College Access Program and Junior Achievement. Fairbank has been recognized for his business and industry leadership, including being named "2006 Banker of the Year" by the American Banker. Fairbank holds an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business and a bachelor's degree in economics from Stanford University.

Raul Fernandez is the chairman of ObjectVideo, a leading video analytics company specializing in security surveillance. He is also a special advisor to General Atlantic Partners, a growth equity firm with mmore than \$17 billion under management. Fernandez founded Proxicom, an e-business solutions company, in 1991, took it public in 1999 and sold it in 2001. Fernandez also serves on the board of Liz Claiborne, an international apparel company; TROW, a Toronto based engineering and consulting firm; ValueOptions, the nation's largest independent behavioral healthcare company; and Capital Acquisition, a special purpose acquisition company.

Fernandez, a native Washingtonian, is involved with many D.C.-based philanthropic organizations, including serving as a founding member of Venture Philanthropy Partners as well as acting as a board of directors member for D.C. College Access Program, D.C. Children's First and the National Symphony Orchestra. He holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Maryland.

Michelle D. Freeman is the owner and active board member of The Carl M. Freeman Companies and has an intimate understanding of the Company and the real estate industry as she worked very closely with her late husband, Josh Freeman, on many company related matters. Freeman is a licensed real estate broker and was a leading sales associate at Sea Colony in Bethany Beach, Del., during the expansion of Sea Colony West in the 1980s and '90s. Established in 1947, The Carl M. Freeman Companies are the successful developers of award-winning residential and golf communities and neighborhood shopping centers.

Freeman is also chairman and president of the Joshua M. Freeman Foundation, created in 2007 to honor Josh's passions and interests. In addition, she is the chairman and president of the Carl M. Freeman Foundation, which has been providing grants and guidance to nonprofit organizations since 1960. Josh and Michelle were proud to be founding members of Venture Philanthropy Partners and she continues to be involved with this outstanding organization. Freeman is actively involved with the Landon School in Bethesda, Md. She also launched, owns and operates Pilot Properties, a small business that specializes in the building, rental and sales of properties on the Delaware Shore. Freeman is responsible for the management and oversight of the Freeman Family farm, a 500-acre historic property located in Gaithersburg, Md. She is the proud mother of three wonderful children.

Sheila C. Johnson, a successful entrepreneur and impassioned philanthropist, is CEO of Salamander Hospitality, LLC, overseeing a growing portfolio of luxury properties including The Woodlands Resort & Inn in Summerville, S.C., Innisbrook Resort & Golf Club in Palm Harbor, Fla., and Salamander Resort & Spa in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in Middleburg, Va., which is poised to become one of the most unique retreats in the world when it opens in early 2010. Johnson is president and managing partner of the WNBA's Washington Mystics. She has long been a powerful influence in the entertainment industry as a founding partner of Black Entertainment Television (BET) and most recently as a film producer. Her film A Powerful Noise premiered at the 2008 Tribeca Film Festival in New York.

In 2006 Johnson was named global ambassador for CARE, a leading humanitarian organization fighting global poverty by empowering women because they have the unique power to help entire communities escape poverty. "Sheila's I Am Powerful Challenge" was instrumental in helping raise funds for CARE's important work.

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Johnson is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. An avid supporter of the arts and an accomplished violinist, Johnson dedicates her time to organizations that create opportunities for children to express and explore their creativity. She serves as chair of the Board of Governors of Parsons The New School for Design in New York and sits on the boards of VH1's Save the Music Foundation, Americans for the Arts, the Curry School of Education Foundation at the University of Virginia and the University of Illinois Foundation.

Richard Kay is currently chairman of SENTRILLION Inc., a "TS" (Top Secret) international border and port security, information assurance and health managed services company. He is the former founder, chairman and CEO of OTG Software, a data storage software company that he founded in 1992. OTG became the leader in online data storage and access. OTG was acquired by Legato Systems in 2002 and Kay remained on the board of directors until the acquisition of Legato Systems by EMC in 2003.

Kay currently serves on the board of directors of Control Point Solutions and the University of Maryland School of Engineering . He is a special partner with ABS Capital, a multibillion dollar equity investment firm focused on healthcare, IT and media companies. Kay is also an honorary member of the board of directors of Venture Philanthropy Partners. He and his family work closely with various charities.

Jeong H. Kim is the 11th president of Bell Labs, the communication industry's most heralded research organization. His background ranges from being a CEO of a high technology start-up to senior executive of a Fortune 500 corporation. Kim's early career encompassed computer design, satellite systems design and data communications and included seven years as a nuclear submarine officer in the U.S. Navy.

Kim holds a Ph.D. in reliability engineering from the University of Maryland, a master's degree in technical management and bachelor's degree in electrical engineering and computer science from Johns Hopkins University. Kim currently serves on the boards of, the Johns Hopkins University, Stanford University's Freeman Spogli Institute of International Studies, and Global Internet Ventures. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and the NASDAQ Listing and Hearing Review Council, and was named one of the 10 most influential Asian Americans in business for 2005 by the U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber.

Mark D. Lerner, representing members of the Theodore N. Lerner family, is a principal owner of the Washington Nationals Baseball Club and a principal of Lerner Enterprises, a Rockville, Md., based real estate development, management and investment company founded in 1952 by his father, Ted Lerner. Lerner Enterprises development activity is mainly concentrated in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. Some of the company's major projects include White Flint Mall, White Flint North, Washington Square at 1050 Connecticut Avenue, NW, 20 M Street, SE, The Corporate Office Centre at Tysons II, Dulles Town Center, Fallsgrove Village Center and the Greenbelt Marriott Hotel, among many others. Lerner also has developed, and manages many residential communities in the Washington, D.C., area. In addition, Lerner Enterprises is a partner in Chelsea Piers, a 30-acre sports and entertainment complex located on the Hudson River in New York City.

Lerner and his family have been involved in many worthwhile causes including the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, The George Washington University, Georgetown Day School, The Scleroderma Foundation of Greater Washington, Jewish Community Centers of Greater Washington and the District of Columbia, JCC Maccabi Games, The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Imagination Stage, ADL In Concert against Hate, YouthAids, Juvenile Diabetes, Junior Achievement, Food and Friends and the Washington Nationals Dream Foundation, among many others. He currently serves as a trustee of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, a member of the board of Hillel at The George Washington University and the Advisory Board of Israel Bonds.

George Stamas is a senior partner of the international law firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP. He is a venture partner of New Enterprises Associates and the former vice chairman of the board of Deutsche Banc Alex, Brown Inc. A 1973 graduate of The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Stamas graduated in 1976 from the University of Maryland Law School and began his career as a special counsel in the Securities & Exchange Commission. He has been listed in Best Lawyers in America for many years and was previously named as one of the leading 45 lawyers in America under the age of 45 by The American Lawyer. Stamas is also a founding board member of FTI consulting (NYSE) and of NexCen Brands (NASDAQ).

Stamas is active in numerous local and national civic affairs, and is on the board of The Shakespeare Theatre Company, Leadership 100, Caves Valley Golf Club and the Baltimore Orioles and is an Archon of the Order of St. Andrew.

## **Timeline**

Spring 1999	Ted Leonsis, Jonathan Ledecky and Dick Patrick form Lincoln Holdings LLC
May 12, 1999	Lincoln Holdings purchases the Capitals and a minority stake in Washington Sports and Entertainment LP
July 12, 1999	NHL Board of Governors approves the sale of the Capitals to Lincoln Holdings
Jan. 11, 2000	Lincoln Holdings purchaces the 8% stake in WSELP from Arnold Heft, increasing the ownership stake of Lincoln Holdings in WSELP to 44%
Jan. 13, 2000	Raul Fernandez joins Lincoln Holdings
Jan. 19, 2000	Michael Jordan joins Lincoln Holdings
June 6, 2001	Ted Leonsis purchaces Jonathan Ledecky's share in Lincoln Holdings
Oct. 26, 2001	Jack Davies, Richard Kay and George Stamas join Lincoln Holdings
Feb. 7, 2002	Richard Fairbank joins Lincoln Holdings
April 15, 2002	Jeong Kim joins Lincoln Holdings
Nov. 7, 2003	Joshua M. Freeman and Mark D. Lerner join Lincoln Holdings
May 24, 2005	Sheila Johnson joins Lincoln Holdings; Lincoln Holdings purchases Washington Mystics from WSELP



## **Ted Leonsis** Chairman and Majority Owner Washington Capitals, Washington Mystics and Lincoln Holdings LLC

Ted Leonsis is known as one of the country's premier businessmen and a pioneer in the Internet industry, holding numerous leadership

positions at AOL in his 15-year tenure, including vice chairman and president, AOL Audience Business. He is a professional sports team owner; chairman of Web 2.0 start-ups SnagFilms, Clearspring Technologies and Revolution Money; a film producer; a private-angel investor; an active board member; and a committed philanthropist.

Now serving as AOL's vice chairman emeritus, Leonsis recently founded and launched SnagFilms, a Web 2.0 company that brings the best nonfiction films to a global web audience. He is also the chairman of Clearspring Technologies, the leading provider of cross-platform widget services, as well as Revolution Money, an innovative new Web 2.0 payment platform and credit-card service. Revolution Money, formerly Gratis Card Inc., is a subsidiary of Revolution LLC, the investment company created by Steve Case.

Leonsis is the founder, chairman and majority owner of Lincoln Holdings LLC, a sports and entertainment company that holds ownership rights in several Washington, D.C., entities, including 100% of the Washington Capitals and the WNBA's Washington Mystics. Lincoln Holdings also owns approximately 44% of Washington Sports and Entertainment Limited Partnership (WSELP), which owns the NBA's Washington Wizards, D.C.'s Verizon Center and the Baltimore-Washington Ticketmaster franchise.

In addition to Lincoln Holdings, Leonsis has investments and/or sits on the board of directors for several companies: Algentis LLC; AnimalAttraction; Beacon Capital Strategies LLC; Bridgevine Inc.; Capitol Acquisition Corp; Geneva Acquisition Corp; GridPoint; LaunchBox Digital; Mahalo.com; MediaBank; MobilePosse; ObjectVideo; PodShow; Qloud; SB Nation; and TidalTV. Leonsis is also on the board of directors of Georgetown University.

Leonsis is a film producer having conceptualized and produced "Nanking," a documentary film that tells the story of the Japanese invasion of Nanking, China, in the early days of World War II. "Nanking" made its world premiere at the 2007 Sundance Film Festival, where it was awarded the Documentary Editing Award, and was released by THINKFilm in December 2007. The film aired on HBO and is available on DVD.

While at the 2007 Sundance Film Festival, Leonsis coined the phrase "filmanthropy" to describe a new category of filmmaking that sheds light on important issues around the world and activates discussion as well as new volunteers and new funds to benefit a social cause. Leonsis is also the producer of "Kicking It," another example of filmanthropy, which debuted at the 2008 Sundance Film Festival. "Kicking It" aired on ESPN and Netflix as well as in theaters via Liberation Entertainment.

Leonsis is a committed philanthropist and is very involved with numerous charities, including Best Buddies, Hoop Dreams, See Forever Foundation, YouthAIDS and others through the work of the Leonsis Foundation.

Early in his career Leonsis was the founder of several new media companies, including Redgate Communications Corporation, a pioneering new media company that in 1993 was the first company acquired by AOL. He was also the founder of six personal computer magazines, authored four books and worked on the introduction of the IBM PC and the Apple Macintosh. He co-invented a very successful board game called "Only in New York" and served as a marketing executive with Harris Corp and Wang Laboratories.

He once served as mayor of Orchid, Fla. Among his many honors, Leonsis has been named Washington's Businessman of the Year, a Washingtonian of the Year, one of the 20 most influential people in sports, one of America's most creative executives and a top 10 entrepreneur of the year. Leonsis blogs daily at TedsTake.com. Originally from Brooklyn, N.Y., and later, Lowell, Mass., he now lives in McLean, Va., and Vero Beach, Fla., with his wife and two children.







## Dick Patrick President

Dick Patrick, along with Ted Leonsis, is one of the original partners in Lincoln Holdings LLC, which was formed in the spring of 1999. A mainstay for the Washington Capitals' franchise

for more than two decades, the owner, president and governor continues to lead the club with his tireless effort and intense desire to continue a family tradition – engraving the Patrick name onto the Stanley Cup.

For three generations the family name of Patrick has been synonymous with the sport of hockey and the National Hockey League. Patrick's grandfather, Lester Patrick, was the longtime coach and general manager of the New York Rangers. In his honor the Lester Patrick Trophy is awarded annually for "outstanding service to hockey in the United States." It was Lester who instilled in his family the desire to remain active in the advancement of the sport of hockey and the National Hockey League. Patrick's father, Muzz, and uncle, Lynn, both played on the 1940 New York Rangers team that captured the Stanley Cup.

Patrick's cousin, Craig Patrick, played for the Capitals from 1977-79. He won two Stanley Cups as general manager of the Pittsburgh Penguins and was enshrined in the Hockey Hall of Fame in November 2001 in the "builder" category.

Patrick, who joined the Capitals prior to the 1982-83 season, guides the team on a daily basis and also serves as the team's representative to the NHL's Board of Governors. The former chairman of the NHL Finance Committee, Patrick has been instrumental in the Capitals' long-term success

as a franchise both on and off the ice. Patrick was a leader in the conception and development of the Kettler Capitals Iceplex, the team's state-of-the-art training center and office building that opened in 2006 in Arlington, Va.

Before Patrick's arrival the Capitals never had advanced to postseason play. In his 26 seasons with the club, Washington has qualified for the playoffs 19 times – including the team's magical run to the Stanley Cup finals in 1998 with a team led by a blend of veterans and eager youngsters. The 2007-08 Southeast Division championship was the fourth division title Washington has won under Patrick's watch.

In addition to his commitment to the Capitals, Patrick previously served as co-chairman of the Washington, D.C., Division of the Fighting Blindness League. FBL, a charity event sponsored by the National Hockey League, benefits the Foundation Fighting Blindness in the fight against retinal degenerative diseases. Held in nine NHL cities on the eve of the Stanley Cup playoffs, FBL gives participants the chance to "own" an imaginary NHL franchise and participate in a rotisserie-style fantasy draft of NHL players.

Born in 1946 in Victoria, B.C., Patrick grew up in the United States. He earned his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College and a law degree from the Washington College of Law at American University. He has developed commercial real estate in the Washington, D.C., area for more than 20 years and, while raising children who have skated within local youth hockey programs, he has been instrumental in increasing the Capitals' involvement in youth programs throughout the area.



## **Tim McDermott** Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer

Tim McDermott enters his third season with the Washington Capitals as their senior vice president and chief marketing officer, leading the club's marketing and communications

efforts. McDermott's first two seasons have been highlighted by the development of the team's new brand identity as well as dramatic increases in attendance, television ratings and merchandise sales. The Capitals have been recognized as one of the NHL's elite in multiple areas under McDermott, including marketing, game presentation, amateur hockey relations, media relations, community relations and online presence.

McDermott came to Washington after serving as senior director of marketing with the NFL's Philadelphia Eagles since March 2004, where he was responsible for the development, communication, and implementation of the team's marketing strategy. With the Eagles, McDermott directed the team's branding efforts, which garnered 13 Philadelphia ADDY Awards and generated unprecedented campaign-specific merchandise sales. As part of the branding initiatives, McDermott also managed the Eagles' Tackling Breast Cancer campaign, which received national publicity and in one month generated sales of 32,000 pink Eagles hats to benefit the cause. In two seasons, the campaign generated over \$400,000 in donations. During his time in Philadelphia, the Eagles brand strength increased 40%, according to ESPN Sports Poll, and was recognized by Forbes as the fastest growing brand in sports.

McDermott spent the three previous years as a director in New Media Development for the Comcast Corporation, where he conceptualized new business services and ventures utilizing new media technologies. He has also served as assistant director of sales and marketing for the San Diego Chargers and started his career with the Jacksonville Jaguars serving in both Corporate Sponsorship and Football Operations.

McDermott earned his master's in business administration from Harvard and a bachelor's degree from Cornell, where he was a three-year letterwinner, a two-time GTE Academic All-America and an Academic All-Ivy League selection on the Big Red football team.



## **George McPhee** Vice President and General Manager

In 11 years as vice president and general manager of the Washington Capitals, George McPhee has overseen the club's development

with an emphasis on scouting, drafting, coaching and building from within. McPhee has provided solid direction for the Capitals franchise by instituting a team-first philosophy that has extended from his hockey operations staff to the players on the ice. McPhee has led a Capitals organization that has grown from a lottery team to Southeast Division champions in 2007-08.

Named the fifth general manager in team history June 9, 1997, McPhee found immediate success with the Capitals while engineering the club's first trip to the Stanley Cup finals in his first season (1997-98). Under his leadership the team has claimed three Southeast Division championships (1999-00, 2000-01 and 2007-08), four 40-or-more win seasons (1997-98, 1999-00, 2000-01 and 2007-08) and a 102-point season (1999-00) – the team's first campaign of at least 100 points since 1985-86 and only the fourth in franchise history.

In efforts to further cultivate the Capitals as a competitive and progressive franchise, McPhee has stressed the growth of the Washington organization through scouting, coaching, amateur drafts, free agency, trades and minor-league development. These focus points have resulted in 15 first-round draft picks during the last seven years, the most of any NHL team, including the No. 1 overall pick in 2004, Alex Ovechkin, the first player in league history to win both the Calder Trophy and the Hart Trophy in a three-year span. Capitals prospects have enjoyed tremendous success as well, leading the Hershey Bears of the American Hockey League to the 2006 Calder Cup championship and the AHL's best record in 2006-07.

The 2007-08 Capitals club featured a number of those former Bears, a group that was bolstered by the promotion of head coach Bruce Boudreau from Hershey in November and three shrewd moves by McPhee at the trading deadline. Together those players put together an 11-1-0 run to end the season, including wins in the last seven games, to capture the Southeast Division title.

Prior to joining the Capitals, McPhee spent five seasons as the vice president and director of hockey operations as well as alternate governor for the Vancouver Canucks, assisting then general manager Pat Quinn with all hockey-related matters. In his time with the Canucks, the team enjoyed four trips to the playoffs, a division championship and a trip to the 1994 Stanley Cup finals. McPhee began his playing career in his hometown of Guelph, Ont., with the Ontario Junior Hockey League's Guelph Platers, leading them to the 1978 Centennial Cup, Canada's Tier II championship. Following his stint with the Platers, McPhee attended Bowling Green State University of the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, where he became one of college hockey's most decorated players. A four-year letterwinner from 1978-82, he was the recipient of the 1982 Hobey Baker Memorial Award, given to the top player in college hockey. His other accolades included a first-team All-CCHA selection in 1982, second-team All-CCHA honors in 1979 and 1981 and his selection as the CCHA's Rookie of the Year in 1979. Earning a degree in business, he became the first player to be named to the CCHA All-Academic Team in three consecutive seasons.

Upon the completion of his college career, McPhee signed as a free agent with the New York Rangers and started his NHL career during the 1982 Stanley Cup playoffs. Following his seven-year playing career with the Rangers and New Jersey Devils, McPhee earned his law degree from Rutgers University in 1992.





## **Brian MacLellan** Assistant General Manager, Player Personnel

Brian MacLellan enters his seventh season with the Washington Capitals and second as the team's assistant general manager, player personnel. MacLellan, who served as a pro

scout for the Capitals from 2000-03 and then was promoted to director of player personnel, assists and advises vice president and general manager George McPhee in all player-related matters. MacLellan also oversees the club's professional scouting staff and works closely with the team's American Hockey League affiliate, the Hershey Bears, who won the Calder Cup in 2006.

MacLellan, who won a Stanley Cup with the Calgary Flames in 1989, had a 10-year NHL career in which he skated for the Los Angeles Kings, New York

Rangers, Minnesota North Stars, Calgary Flames and Detroit Red Wings. A forward who played 606 NHL games, MacLellan recorded 172 goals, 241 assists and 413 points. MacLellan also won a silver medal with Team Canada at the 1985 World Championship in Prague.

The Guelph, Ontario, native played hockey at Bowling Green State University from 1978-82, where he graduated with a bachelor of science in business administration. In 1982 he was named an All-American defenseman and First-Team All-CCHA. MacLellan earned his MBA in finance from the University of St. Thomas in 1995 and went on to work for an investment consulting firm in Minneapolis before joining the Capitals as a pro scout.



## **Don Fishman** Assistant General Manager, Director of Legal Affairs

Don Fishman is in his fourth season with the Washington Capitals and second as an assistant general manager and director of legal affairs. In this role he assists vice president

and general manager George McPhee with player contract negotiations, player contract research and analysis, the salary arbitration process, NHL and team salary cap analysis and interpretation of NHL/NHLPA Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) issues.

Fishman, who spent two seasons as director of legal affairs and hockey administration before his appointment to assistant general manager, also assists with the day-to-day operations of the Capitals hockey operations department such as roster issues, player movement, budgeting, summer

Prior to joining the Capitals, Mahoney was a scout with the Buffalo

Sabres and Vancouver Canucks. He has coaching experience with the

University of Regina, the Western Hockey League's Regina Pats and at the

international level. He coached Canada's elite under-17 program in two World

Championships. In 1995 he coached Team Saskatchewan to the gold medal

development camp and training camp planning and preseason scheduling. In addition, Fishman serves as legal counsel for the Capitals organization and the Washington Mystics WNBA basketball club.

Prior to joining the Capitals, Fishman served as general counsel of two Washington, D.C., city government agencies. In his role with District government, he worked as part of the local host committee that successfully bid for the 2009 NCAA Men's Hockey Frozen Four, to be held at Verizon Center in April 2009. Fishman also worked as a corporate and communications lawyer in Washington and Los Angeles with Latham & Watkins and Ervin, Cohen & Jessup. Fishman, a native Washingtonian, graduated from Harvard College, where he served as the radio voice of Harvard hockey, and UCLA School of Law.



## **Ross Mahoney** Director of Amateur Scouting

Entering his 11th year as director of amateur scouting, Ross Mahoney is responsible for all of the Capitals' selections at the NHL Entry Draft as well as overseeing the organization's

amateur scouting staff.

at the Canadian Winter Games.

## Mahoney earned a degree in education from the University of Regina, where he played hockey for the Cougars. After graduating he spent 17 years as a teacher.

Mahoney played junior hockey for the Tier II Regina Pat Blues and the Regina Pats in the WHL. He also played four years at the University of Regina, helping lead his team to two national finals. Mahoney was inducted in the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame in 1999. An excellent baseball player as well, Mahoney was offered a scholarship to play in college in Iowa, but a knee injury prevented him from doing so.



## Bruce Boudreau Head Coach

Bruce Boudreau, the 2007-08 Jack Adams Award winner as the NHL's coach of the year, is in his second season as Washington Capitals

head coach after leading the team to the Southeast Division title a year ago. He became the 14th head coach in Washington Capitals history when he was named to the position on an interim basis, Nov. 22, 2007, and had the interim tag removed Dec. 26, 2007.

Boudreau, 53, led the Capitals on a remarkable comeback from 30th in the NHL when he took over on Thanksgiving Day to the Southeast Division championship. His record of 37-17-7 would have been good for a 109-point pace in the course of a full season. The Capitals posted 17 come-frombehind victories under Boudreau and finished 20-6-7 in games decided by one goal. Boudreau was the fastest coach in club history to reach 20 wins (34 games) and 30 wins (53 games) and the first coach in NHL history to lead his team from 14th place at midseason to a playoff berth. It marked the 10th straight season that Boudreau has led his team to the playoffs.

Boudreau became the second Capitals head coach to win the Jack Adams Award (Bryan Murray, 1984) and the first coach since Bill Barber in 2001 to win the Jack Adams award after taking over a team in midseason.

Boudreau has coached championship teams in the American Hockey League (AHL) and the ECHL and was in his third year as the head coach of the Hershey Bears, Washington's AHL affiliate, when he was promoted to D.C. He led the Bears to the Eastern Conference championship and the Calder Cup finals in each of his two full seasons in Hershey, winning the Calder Cup in 2006. Boudreau compiled a 103-45-11-16 record with the Bears (a .666 winning percentage), including an AHL-best 51-17-6-6 record (.713) in 2006-07.

Boudreau spent nine seasons as an AHL head coach, having compiled a 340-216-56-43 career record. He spent four years with the Manchester Monarchs and two years with the Lowell Lock Monsters before joining the Bears. Before ascending to the AHL, he was the head coach and director of hockey operations for the Mississippi Sea Wolves (ECHL), where he won the 1999 Kelly Cup championship.

After making his head-coaching debut in the Colonial Hockey League with the Muskegon Fury in 1992-93, Boudreau took over the Fort Wayne Komets of the International Hockey League (IHL) in 1993-94. The Komets advanced to the Turner Cup finals his first season at the controls, and Boudreau was named the 1993-94 IHL coach of the year.

A native of Toronto, Boudreau played parts of eight seasons with the Toronto Maple Leafs and Chicago Blackhawks, recording 70 points in 141 NHL games. A third-round pick of the Leafs in the 1975 NHL draft, Boudreau enjoyed one of the best seasons ever by a Canadian junior player during 1974-75. He picked up 165 points for the Toronto Marlboros, a Canadian Hockey League record until Wayne Gretzky surpassed the mark during the 1977-78 season.

An outstanding AHL player, Boudreau ranks 11th all-time in scoring in league history with 316 goals and 799 points. No AHL player in the 1980s notched more points than Boudreau, as he played for the New Brunswick Hawks, Baltimore Skipjacks, Nova Scotia Oilers, Springfield Indians and Newmarket Saints during that time. He won the 1987-88 John B. Sollenberger Trophy for leading the league in scoring and was also a member of the 1992 Calder Cup champion Adirondack Red Wings.

## **BOUDREAU'S CAREER HEAD COACHING RECORD**

			<b>Regular Season</b>				PI	ayof	fs				
Season	Team	League	GP	W	L	Т	0Т	Pts	Pct	GP	W	L	Pct
1992-93	Muskegon	CHL	60	28	27	5	-	61	.508	7	3	4	.429
1993-94	Fort Wayne	IHL	81	41	29	-	11	93	.574	18	10	8	.556
1994-95	Fort Wayne	IHL	39	15	21	-	3	33	.423	-	-	-	-
1996-97	Mississippi	ECHL	70	34	26	10	-	78	.557	3	0	3	.000
1997-98	Mississippi	ECHL	70	34	27	9	-	77	.550	-	-	-	-
1998-99	Mississippi	ECHL	70	41	22	7	-	89	.636	18	14	4	.778
1999-00	Lowell	AHL	80	33	36	7	4	77	.481	7	3	4	.429
2000-01	Lowell	AHL	80	35	35	5	5	80	.500	4	1	3	.250
2001-02	Manchester	AHL	80	38	28	11	3	90	.563	5	2	3	.400
2002-03	Manchester	AHL	80	40	23	11	6	97	.606	3	0	3	.000
2003-04	Manchester	AHL	80	40	28	7	5	92	.575	6	2	4	.333
2004-05	Manchester	AHL	80	51	21	-	8	110	.688	6	2	4	.333
2005-06	Hershey	AHL	80	44	21	-	15	103	.644	21	16	5	.762
2006-07	Hershey	AHL	80	51	17	-	12	114	.713	19	13	6	.684
2007-08	Hershey	AHL	15	8	7	-	0	16	.533	-	-	-	-
	CAPITALS	NHL	61	37	17	-	7	81	.664	7	3	4	.429

## **BRUCE BOUDREAU QUICK FACTS**

- Nicknamed "Gabby"
- Was an extra in the movie Slap Shot, wearing No. 7 for the Hyannisport Presidents
- Is the eighth current NHL coach to have won the Calder Cup as an AHL head coach
- Ranks 11th all-time in AHL scoring with 799 points, scoring more than any player in the league in the 1980s
- Had the Canadian junior record for points in a season (165 with the Toronto Marlboros) until Wayne Gretzky broke the mark
- The fourth straight Capitals coach to win his debut
- Is the third Capitals head coach to ascend to the job directly from the Hershey Bears head coaching position (Garv Green, Brvan Murrav)
- The owner and operator of the Golden Horseshoe Hockey School in St. Catharines, Ontario



## Jay Leach Assistant Coach

Jay Leach enters his fifth season as an assistant coach for the Capitals after being named to the position Dec. 16, 2003. He helped guide the team to the 2007-08 Southeast Division championship as a member

of Bruce Boudreau's staff.

A native of Philadelphia, Leach joined the Capitals with an extensive coaching background in the NHL, minor league and collegiate ranks. He was as an assistant coach for the New Jersey Devils in the 2001-02 season and worked as an assistant coach for the Atlanta Thrashers during the team's first two seasons in the league, 1999-2001. Leach also served as an assistant coach for three seasons with the Los Angeles Kings from 1996-99.

Following three seasons as an assistant coach with the University of Maine from 1984-86 and again in 1987-88, Leach began his NHL coaching career with Hartford, spending three seasons as an assistant on the Whalers' staff from 1988-91.

Leach then spent five seasons as a head coach in the American Hockey League, guiding the Springfield Indians for two seasons in 1991-93 before taking over the Hershey Bears. In Springfield, Leach's teams won the AHL Northern Division in 1991-92 and the conference playoff championship in 1992-93, while he won the AHL Southern Division in his first season with Hershey in 1993-94.

Leach has international coaching experience as well. He was selected to be an assistant coach for the U.S. Men's National Team at the 2004 World Championship in the Czech Republic and the 2006 World Championship in Latvia. Leach and head coach Peter Laviolette guided the 2004 United States team to a bronze medal.

Leach also served as an assistant coach under Bob Johnson with Team USA at the 1991 Canada Cup, winning a silver medal. A former center in the Quebec Nordiques and Minnesota North Stars systems during his playing career, Leach has also worked as a scout in the New York Islanders' organization.



## Dean Evason Assistant Coach

Dean Evason enters his fourth season as an assistant coach for the Capitals, having helped direct the team to the 2007-08 Southeast Division championship as a member of Bruce Boudreau's staff.

A 13-year NHL veteran and experienced coach in the junior ranks, the former Capital spent the 2004-05 season as co-coach of the Western Hockey League's Calgary Hitmen. Along with co-coach Kelly Kisio, he helped lead the Hitmen to a 34-23-9-6 record and an appearance in the WHL playoffs, where they reached the second round.

Prior to joining Calgary, Evason was the head coach of the WHL's Vancouver Giants for two seasons. He had a combined record of 59-61-14-10 with Vancouver, leading the Giants to their first winning season and playoff appearance in 2003-04.

Evason was the head coach of the WHL's Kamloops Blazers for three years before joining Vancouver, posting a 109-83-17-7 record from 1999 to 2002. His first junior coaching experience came as an assistant with the Calgary Hitmen during the 1999 playoffs, helping them capture the league championship. He also served as a player/coach for two seasons for Landshut of the German Hockey League in 1997-98 and '98-99.

A native of Flin Flon, Manitoba, Evason is a member of the Manitoba Hockey Hall of Fame. He was drafted by the Capitals in the fifth round, 89th overall, in the 1982 Entry Draft and played 17 games over two seasons with Washington in 1983-84 and '84-85. A center, Evason played 13 seasons in the NHL with Washington, Hartford, San Jose, Dallas and Calgary, recording 139 goals and 233 assists in 803 games.



## Dave Prior Goaltending Coach

Dave Prior enters his 12th season with the Capitals' organization working with the team's goaltenders as well as goalie prospects throughout the minor-league system. He has been part of three division championship

teams, including 2007-08, when Prior's goaltenders allowed just 1.85 goals per game in the last 20 games of the season as the Capitals raced to a playoff spot.

Since Prior's arrival, Washington goalies have posted three of the four lowest team goals-against averages in club history, and Olie Kolzig captured the 1999-00 Vezina Trophy.

Before joining the Capitals' coaching staff, Prior worked as a goaltending coach for the Dallas Stars, Detroit Red Wings, San Jose Sharks and Winnipeg Jets. He has also gained international experience mentoring goalies on the German National Team.

Before his NHL coaching days began, the native of Guelph, Ontario, spent seven years working with the NHL Central Scouting Bureau.

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## **Hershey Bears AHL Affiliate**



950 W. Hersheypark Drive Hershey, PA 17033 Phone: (717) 534-3380 www.hersheybears.com

Home Arena: GIANT Center (10,500)

Calder Cup Championships: 9 (most recent: 2006) 2006-07 Record: 51-17-6-6, 114 points, 2007 Eastern Conference Champions Affiliation: 3rd year, became Washington's primary affiliate on April 26, 2005

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Hershey Entertainment and Resorts	Ted Kleisner
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## 2008-09 HERSHEY BEARS SCHEDULE

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Wed., Oct. 8	at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	7:05 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 10	at Norfolk	7:15 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 11	at Norfolk	7:15 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 17	at Philadelphia	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 18	SYRACUSE	7.03 p.m. 7 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 19	WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON	
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Sat., Oct. 25	BINGHAMTON	7 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 26	ROCHESTER	5 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 29	at Hamilton	7:30 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 31	at Albany	7 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 1	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 2	at Philadelphia	5 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 7	at Albany	7 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 8	at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	7:05 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 9	at Bridgeport	4 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 14	at Philadelphia	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 15	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 16	BINGHAMTON	5 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 21	at Philadelphia	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 22	BRIDGEPORT	7 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 26	BINGHAMTON	7 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 28	at Albany	7 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 29	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 30	NORFOLK	5 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 6	HARTFORD	7 p.m.

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at San Antonio



## **Bob Woods Head Coach**

Bob Woods became the 22nd head coach in Hershey Bears history on Nov. 22, 2007, when he was elevated on an interim basis upon Bruce Boudreau's promotion to Washington. Boudreau's assistant for two-plus years, Woods is now in his second

season as the head coach at Washington's American Hockey League (AHL) affiliate. Woods posted a 34-23-2-6 record as head coach in 2007-08, leading Hershey to the playoffs.

Woods was named Hershey's assistant coach on July 27, 2005, after coaching the Mississippi Sea Wolves of the ECHL for four seasons. The former Calder Cup champion as a player with the Bears in 1997 didn't take long to enjoy his first Calder Cup championship as a coach; Hershey claimed the team's ninth Calder Cup title in 2005-06. The following season the Bears won the Eastern Conference and advanced to the Calder Cup finals for the second consecutive season.

Named the fourth head coach in Mississippi history on July 10, 2001, Woods compiled a record of 169-94-25 in the regular season and led the Sea Wolves to the playoffs all four years while he was behind the bench, including two trips to the conference finals.

Selected in the 10th round, 201st overall, in the 1988 NHL Entry Draft by the New Jersey Devils, Woods played 13 seasons, including 10 in the ECHL. He was an ECHL All-Star selection four times, and retired as the league's all-time leader in games played with 559. He was named second-team defenseman on the ECHL's 15th anniversary team in 2003, and was also named second-team defenseman on the Hockey News' 50th anniversary All-ECHL team in 1997.

A LeRoy, Saskatchewan, native, Woods spent three seasons as player/assistant coach with Mississippi from 1998-2001, playing for Boudreau during that time. He won the Kelly Cup in 1999, and scored 176 points in 209 games with the Sea Wolves, who retired his No. 8 on Oct. 13, 2002.



## **Mark French** Assistant Coach

Mark French is in his first full season behind the Hershey Bears' bench after being named assistant coach on Jan. 2, 2008. He worked with head coach Bob Woods in the second half of 2007-08 and helped lead the Bears to the American Hockey

League playoffs.

French previously was the head coach and director of hockey operations for the Wichita Thunder (Central Hockey League) from 2005-07. He was responsible for player recruitment and contract negotiations while with the Thunder and managed the team's operating budget.

French also served as the assistant coach of the Atlantic City Boardwalk Bullies of the ECHL during the 2004-05 season when the Bullies posted a 42-21-9 record. Prior to joining the professional ranks, French was the head coach at Wilfrid Laurier University in Canada from 2002-04. French served as assistant coach and assistant general manager of the Canadian Hockey League's North Bay Centennials from 1999-2002

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Sat., Dec. 13	at Houston	8:35 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 19	at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 20	LOWELL	7 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 21	LAKE ERIE	5 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 27	BINGHAMTON	7 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 28	ALBANY	5 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 31	at Springfield	1 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 2	at Providence	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 3	at Hartford	7 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 4	at Worcester	4:05 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 7	at Norfolk	7:15 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 9	HOUSTON	7 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 10	ALBANY	7 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 14	ALBANY	7 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 16	at Bridgeport	7 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 17	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 18	WORCESTER	5 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 21	at Norfolk	7:15 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 23	WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON	7 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 24	MANCHESTER	7 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 30	at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 31	NORFOLK	7 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 6	at Philadelphia	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 7	SAN ANTONIO	7 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 8	PORTLAND	5 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 11	HAMILTON	7 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 13	at Binghamton	7:05 p.m.
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Sat., Feb. 14	NORFOLK	7 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 16	at Syracuse	7 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 20	at Rochester	7:35 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 21	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 25	at Binghamton	7:05 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 27	at Binghamton	7:05 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 28	NORFOLK	7 p.m.
Sun., March 1	PROVIDENCE	5 p.m.
Sat., March 7	at Toronto	4 p.m.
Sun., March 8	at Lake Erie	5 p.m.
Wed., March 11	SPRINGFIELD	7 p.m.
Sat., March 14	WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON	7 p.m.
Sun., March 15	BRIDGEPORT	5 p.m.
Fri., March 20	at Lowell	7 p.m.
Sat., March 21	at Portland	7 p.m.
Sun., March 22	at Manchester	4 p.m.
Wed., March 25	TORONTO	7 p.m.
Fri., March 27	at Binghamton	7:05 p.m.
Sat., March 28	BRIDGEPORT	7 p.m.
Sun., March 29	WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON	5 p.m.
Wed., April 1	at Norfolk	7:15 p.m.
Fri., April 3	at Bridgeport	7 p.m.
Sat., April 4	at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	7:05 p.m.
Fri., April 10	at Philadelphia	7:05 p.m.
Sat., April 11	PHILADELPHIA	7 p.m.
Sun., April 12	WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON	6 p.m.

Sun., Dec. 7

Thurs., Dec. 11

## South Carolina Stingrays ECHL Affiliate

North Charleston Coliseum 3300 West Montague Avenue, Suite A-200 North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843.744.2248 www.stingrayshockey.com

Home Arena: North Charleston Coliseum 2007-08 Record: 47-22-2-1, 97 points 2008 Playoffs: Reached American Conference finals Affiliation History: 5th year, became Washington's ECHL affiliate on Aug. 11, 2004

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## **2008-09 SOUTH CAROLINA STINGRAYS SCHEDULE**

Sat., Oct. 18	AUGUSTA	Sat., Dec. 20	ELMIRA	Sun., Feb. 15	AUGUSTA
Fri., Oct. 24	at Florida	Fri., Dec. 26	at Gwinnett	Fri., Feb. 20	at Johnstown
Sat., Oct. 25	at Florida	Sat., Dec. 27	MISSISSIPPI	Sat., Feb. 21	at Trenton
Fri., Oct. 31	FLORIDA	Sun., Dec. 28	MISSISSIPPI	Sun., Feb. 22	at Reading
		Wed., Dec. 31	MISSISSIPPI	Tues., Feb. 24	at Augusta
Sat., Nov. 1	FLORIDA			Sat., Feb. 28	CHARLOTTE
Thurs., Nov. 6	CHARLOTTE	Fri., Jan. 2	GWINNETT		
Sat., Nov. 8	at Charlotte	Sat., Jan. 3	at Gwinnett	Sun., March 1	GWINNETT
Sun., Nov. 9	at Augusta	Sun., Jan. 4	MISSISSIPPI	Fri., March 6	TRENTON
Thurs., Nov. 13	at Charlotte	Tues., Jan. 6	CHARLOTTE	Sat., March 7	AUGUSTA
Sat., Nov. 15	at Gwinnett	Thurs., Jan. 8	at Gwinnett	Tues., March 10	at Mississippi
Wed., Nov. 19	at Charlotte	Fri., Jan. 9	at Augusta	Wed., March 11	at Mississippi
Fri., Nov. 21	MISSISSIPPI	Sat., Jan. 10	at Charlotte	Fri., March 13	GWINNETT
Sat., Nov. 22	DAYTON	Fri., Jan. 16	FLORIDA	Sat., March 14	AUGUSTA
Sun., Nov. 23	MISSISSIPPI	Sat., Jan. 17	CHARLOTTE	Sun., March 15	at Charlotte
Thurs., Nov. 27	at Mississippi	Sat., Jan. 24	at Charlotte	Tues., March 17	at Augusta
Fri., Nov. 28	at Mississippi	Tues., Jan. 27	GWINNETT	Fri., March 20	AUGUSTA
Sat., Nov. 29	at Mississippi	Fri., Jan. 30	FLORIDA	Sat., March 21	CHARLOTTE
		Sat., Jan. 31	CHARLOTTE	Sun., March 22	FLORIDA
Tues., Dec. 2	GWINNETT			Fri., March 27	at Gwinnett
Fri., Dec. 5	at Charlotte	Tues., Feb. 3	at Florida	Sat., March 28	at Gwinnett
Sat., Dec. 6	GWINNETT	Wed., Feb. 4	at Florida	Sun., March 29	MISSISSIPPI
Fri., Dec. 12	at Florida	Fri., Feb. 6	FLORIDA	Tues., March 31	at Augusta
Sat., Dec. 13	at Florida	Sat., Feb. 7	FLORIDA		, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
Tues., Dec. 16	at Augusta	Tues., Feb. 10	CHARLOTTE	Fri., April 3	at Gwinnett
Fri., Dec. 19	ELMIRA	Sat., Feb. 14	at Gwinnett	Sat., April 4	at Augusta
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#### Introduction

The Washington Capitals strive for success both on and off the ice. As a professional sports franchise with deep roots in and around the Washington, D.C., area, the Capitals are committed to making a difference in the local community. It is our goal not only to build an excellent team with healthy role models for young people, but also to create and maintain community programs that encourage participation in hockey, serve to educate today's youth and assist those in need.

It is this philosophy that led the franchise to establish Caps Care, the branch of the organization that manages community involvement. Recognizing the community as our most important asset, Caps Care creates programs are designed to give back to the very community that has supported our team for so many years.

Throughout the year Capitals players, coaches and their families, along with our staff and mascot, dedicate themselves to making a difference in the lives they encounter. Through a diverse array of causes like fighting illiteracy, raising money for numerous charities, supporting local youth hockey groups, hosting community drives or simply spreading good cheer, the Capitals are committed to being a positive influence and contributor in our community.

#### **Community Programs**

The Washington Capitals take part in numerous programs throughout the year that benefit the local community.

Caps License Plates: The Washington Capitals have introduced a plan to give fans the opportunity to show their spirit while driving and benefit charity at the same time by purchasing Caps branded license plates in the states of Maryland and Virginia. Proceeds from the sales of the license plates will benefit Washington Capitals Charities.

## WASHINGTON CAPITALS Caps@School

Caps@School: The Washington Capitals have developed a new educational initiative, Caps@School, which integrates hockey and the Caps into core subject

and grade-specific curriculum. This curriculum, while meeting the unique demands of schools in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, is available in classroom-ready form via a special website for the program. Teachers of students in grades three through six must enroll through the website in order to gain access to downloadable lesson plans for a variety of core subjects - Math, Reading, Science, Health and Physical Education. The website also features a student section that is open to all third through sixth-graders and offers interactive games and educational player features.

The Caps will provide monthly incentives throughout the school year to those teachers and classes that complete at least one lesson plan. Caps promotional items, game tickets, player visits and mascot appearances are just some of the prizes that classes will be awarded by participating in Caps@School.

## WASHINGTON CAPITALS Coached by a Cap

Coached by a Cap: The Caps launched a new program during the 2007-08 season giving fans the opportunity to be Coached by a Cap. Hockey teams of all ages and

ability levels are eligible to participate in this program when they purchase a minimum of 30 tickets online through the Coached by a Cap link on WashingtonCaps.com. Five teams are selected throughout the course of the season and assigned a Caps player that will "coach" their team. That Caps player then attends one practice for the winning team, where he will skate with the players, demonstrate skills, answer questions and sign autographs. Last season's Coached by a Cap winners included the Virginia Wild who were coached by Matt Pettinger, the MYHA Mites who were coached by Chris Clark, the Howard Huskies who were coached by Milan Jurcina, the Ashburn Xtreme who were coached by Quintin Laing and the D.C. Vipers who donated their practice to the Fort Dupont Cannons and were coached by Jeff Schultz and Tomas Fleischmann.



Hockey School: Last season, the Washington Capitals successfully launched Hockey School through a partnership with Arlington Public Schools (APS). Five of

APS's middle schools received an interactive clinic hosted by the Capitals. During the 2008-09 season, the Caps will work with their platinum rink partners to expand Hockey School. Players and coaches will work with representatives from local rinks to participate in middle school visits, graduating thousands of students from Hockey School. Each Hockey School visit will consists of a question-and-answer session and an interactive skills demonstration. Every student who attends Hockey School will receive an autographed Caps player card, a Capitals-branded foam puck, a "Hockey 101" instructional booklet and coupons for a free open skate and a free learn to skate or learn to play introductory class at participating rinks. Capitals players and coaches will visit select Hockey School sessions and the team will donate a new set of NHL-branded street hockey equipment to eight middle schools. Hockey School appearances are expected to take place from October through May and will target more than 100 students at each school.



**COURAGE** Courage Caps: The Washington Capitals wanted to remind everyone what true courage is and called Caps fans to action through a

new fundraising initiative, Courage Caps. The Capitals launched Courage Caps - Capitals branded hats featuring the word "Courage" on the front - during the team's Hockey Fights Cancer Night on Oct. 26, 2007. Caps fans responded swiftly and their support was overwhelming. Less than two weeks after the program launched, Courage Caps were completely sold out.

Courage Caps were sold for \$20 at Capitals home games, online at WashingtonCaps.com and at the team stores at Verizon Center and Kettler Capitals Iceplex. There were also a limited number of autographed Courage Caps available.

Courage Caps allowed the Capitals to raise \$21,300 for CureSearch, a nonprofit based in Bethesda, Md., that unites the Children's Oncology Group

and the National Childhood Cancer Foundation through a shared mission to cure and prevent childhood and adolescent cancer through scientific discovery and compassionate care. One hundred percent of the sale price of the hats was donated to CureSearch, ensuring that every penny that Caps fans spent on Courage Caps went to help the truly courageous children who are fighting cancer.

This year the Capitals will launch Courage Caps at their Nov. 10 game against Tampa Bay. All proceeds from this year's Courage Caps campaign will benefit Fisher House Foundation.

Josh's Kids

Josh's Kids: Josh's Kids is a special section at Verizon Center that provides seats at Capitals home games for Washington metropolitan area nonprofit

organizations and schools. Launched in February 2008 and founded by Lincoln Holdings LLC, the ownership group of the NHL's Washington Capitals and WNBA's Washington Mystics, Josh's Kids was created in memory of the group's partner, Joshua M. Freeman, who died in a tragic helicopter accident Dec. 14, 2006.

The Josh's Kids initiative makes tickets available to local nonprofit organizations and schools with tax-exempt status. Organizations are able to sign up on the team's website, WashingtonCaps.com, to receive Capitals' tickets. These organizations are then able to bring students, members, staff and volunteers to Capitals games free of charge.

As part of this program, seats are also donated to Most Valuable Kids (MVK), one of the Capitals partners that donates game tickets to boys and girls, 18 and younger, through various local nonprofit organizations. MVK's mission is to provide an unparalleled reward system for local underprivileged children and children's organizations that show exemplary behavior, spirit and community service.

During the inaugural season of Josh's Kids, nearly 3,400 complimentary tickets valued at nearly \$120,000 were donated to hundreds of nonprofit organizations throughout the Washington metropolitan area.

**Caps Care Click to Win:** In January 2008 the Washington Capitals introduced Caps Care Click to Win, a new community relations initiative that gives local schools the chance to win free Capitals tickets and cash prizes. The Washington Capitals distribute complimentary game tickets and cash prizes to local schools that have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status. All qualified schools are able to sign up to participate at WashingtonCaps.com.

Between January and April 2008, 28 Washington metropolitan area schools were selected through a random drawing to receive game tickets and a \$500 grant. The Capitals provided nearly 6,000 tickets for these schools valued at more than \$230,000 that were used during eight Caps home games. For each of these games, the school that had the highest attendance rate at the game that night received an additional \$1,000 grant from Washington Capitals Charities.

The school with the highest percentage rate overall at the conclusion of the program also received a player visit, a Capitals team-signed jersey to be displayed in the school and a new set of street hockey equipment. The 2008

winner was George Mason Elementary School in Alexandria, Va., which had a 98% attendance rate at the Capitals' April 3 game against Tampa Bay.

#### **Fundraisers**

Another way the Washington Capitals make a positive impact in the local community is through the team's nonprofit arm, Washington Capitals Charities. Since its creation in 2000 Washington Capitals Charities has raised nearly \$3 million through various fundraisers, auctions, raffles and fan donations. The foundation has donated more than \$2 million to numerous charities. Some of the worthy nonprofit organizations that Washington Capitals Charities has given to include: Children's National Medical Center, The Children's Inn at NIH, the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, the Foundation Fighting Blindness, H.E.R.O.E.S. Inc., the Washington Scholarship Fund, Army Emergency Relief, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society and local youth hockey leagues and schools throughout the D.C. area.



**Caps Care Classic Golf Tournament:** The Washington Capitals hosted the fourth annual Caps Care Classic golf tournament on Oct. 1, 2007, at Springfield Golf and Country Club in Springfield, Va. The largest of the team's fundraisers, the Caps Care

Classic has raised nearly \$850,000 since its inception. Capitals players and alumni, politicians, local athletes and celebrities team up for this event, which has raised funds to benefit Children's National Medical Center, Athletes Against Autism, The Children's Inn at NIH and Washington Capitals Charities. The 2008 event takes place Oct. 6.

**Holiday Puck Surprises:** Fall and spring are both made just a little bit sweeter thanks to the Capitals "Puck Surprises" hosted at Verizon Center. The puck surprises give fans an opportunity to purchase pucks autographed by their favorite players, wrapped with the colors and treats of the season. The lucky fans who select unsigned pucks get to meet a Caps player and have them signed in person. Last year the puck surprises raised \$21,280 for Capitals Charities.

**Players' Wives Gift Basket Auction:** In a rare opportunity that gives fans a glimpse into the lives of their favorite players, the Caps wives and girlfriends team up with Capitals Charities for their annual gift basket auction. The baskets, decorated and put together by the wives and girlfriends, are decked out with some of the players' favorite things – from movie DVDs to candy bars. Last season the auction raised nearly \$12,000 for Washington Capitals Charities.

**Pick-A-Stick:** On one special gameday during the month of January, the Capitals give fans the opportunity to support Capitals Charities and pick-a-stick. Each of the numerous hockey sticks up for grabs, with the exception of a select few, are signed by a member of the team. The lucky fans that chose the unsigned sticks get the opportunity to meet a Caps player and get their brand-new sticks signed in person. The 2008 pick-a-stick raised nearly \$11,000 for Capitals Charities.

**Amazing Auction:** The Capitals Amazing Auction serves as one of the final in-season, community-driven fan experiences. Each year the entire Capitals family, players and coaches, gather for an evening comprised of

a silent auction of game-used equipment, autographed memorabilia and special packages and a live auction of once-in-a-lifetime experiences with Caps players and coaches. Caps players, wives and girlfriends host the event, which last year benefited Washington Capitals Charities and Sports Plus. Tickets to the annual event are \$125 each for adults and \$50 for children and include dinner, drinks for the adults and the opportunity to mix and mingle with the team. To date, the event has raised a total of nearly \$227,000.

## **Community Drives**

Community drives are another way that the Capitals can assist fans who want to get involved in helping the local community. By collecting canned food, toys or by allowing fans the opportunity to donate blood, the team places high priority on making the D.C. area a better place and helping those who are in need.



**Canned Food Drive:** Every year the Washington Capitals hold a food drive to collect canned foods and other nonperishable food items to benefit the

Capital Area Food Bank. The Capital Area Food Bank is the largest public, nonprofit food and nutrition education resource in the Washington metro area. Through its network of more than 750 member feeding programs, the food bank distributes millions of pounds of food to the community and educates thousands of local residents on hunger, poverty and nutrition issues each year.

Last year the Capitals teamed up with Bonneville Radio and collected more than half a ton of food and nearly \$1,000 for the Capital Area Food Bank. Capitals players' wives Kim Clark, Danielle Johnson and Didi Steckel greeted fans at the F Street entrance along with volunteers from the Capital Area Food Bank. Fans who provided nonperishable food or monetary donations received a poster featuring Caps captain and canned food drive spokesman Chris Clark along with a voucher for discounted tickets for an upcoming Capitals game.

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**Toy Drive:** The holiday season is a time for giving and the Washington Capitals want to do their part in bringing a smile to the face of every child. For more than 10 years

the Capitals have partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves in their Toys for Tots Toy Drive. In 2007 the Capitals, DC101's Elliot in the Morning Show and Comcast SportsNet worked together to fill a 30-foot box truck with toys for disadvantaged children throughout the D.C. area. Caps' wives Gwen Pothier and Crystal Boudreau joined U.S. Marines outside of Verizon Center's main entrance to collect toys and monetary donations. Every fan who donated a new, unwrapped toy received a commemorative Caps poster and a discounted ticket offer. Nearly \$2,000 in donations was collected last year alone for the Toys for Tots Foundation at the Toy Drive.



**Blood Drive:** The Capitals teamed up with the American Red Cross of the Greater Chesapeake and Potomac Region to host their third-annual blood drive in 2008 at

Kettler Capitals Iceplex. Thanks to extraordinary support from Caps fans, the drive was the Caps' most successful blood drive ever and one of the

largest in the region according to the American Red Cross of the Greater Chesapeake and Potomac Region. Approximately 600 people attempted to donate and the Red Cross was able to collect 353 productive units of blood. Capitals Hall of Fame defenseman Rod Langway, the official spokesman, stopped by the drive to greet donors and sign autographs. Fans who donated received a limited edition Langway bobblehead along with two tickets to a Caps game. One blood donation can save up to three lives, so the 353 units collected by the Caps helped to save more than 1,000 local patients.

## **Player Programs**

Being a professional athlete comes with a great deal of responsibility both on and off of the ice. Our players strive to be role models in the community and through their work in many different community-driven programs; players get the opportunity to help causes nearest to their own hearts.

**Ovi's Crazy Eights:** In just two seasons, Ovi's Crazy Eights has provided close to 1,000 children, soldiers and their families with the opportunity to see a Capitals home game free of charge. Through his decision in 2006 to create this community initiative, Alex Ovechkin generously provides underserved children and soldiers the chance to attend a Capitals preseason, regular season or playoff game at Verizon Center. Ovechkin purchases eight Capitals season tickets and donates them to Most Valuable Kids (MVK). MVK then distributes these tickets to either soldiers and their families or to boys and girls, 18 and under, through numerous nonprofit organizations that focus on children in low-income and underserved households.

Ovi's Crazy Eights sit in their very own special section in the lower level of Verizon Center and are recognized at every home game. In addition, each person in the section receives a foam No. 8 and one child at each game gets to ride the Olympia ice resurfacer during intermission. During Ovechkin's chase for the league scoring title last season, the section was given cards spelling out OVIE and his current goal count in order to celebrate when he tallied goals and support him in is efforts.

**Green's Gang:** After a breakout season in 2007-08 where he led all NHL defenseman in scoring, Mike Green wanted prove he is also a leader off the ice. Following in the steps of teammate and league MVP Alex Ovechkin, Green decided to provide Capitals game tickets to underserved children and soldiers in the D.C. area. Green purchases seven Capitals season tickets and donates them to Most Valuable Kids (MVK). MVK then distributes these tickets to either soldiers and their families or to boys and girls, 18 and under, through numerous nonprofit organizations that focus on children in low-income and underserved households.

Green's Gang sit in their very own special section in the lower level of Verizon Center and are recognized at every home game. In addition, each person in the section receives a foam mohawk and one child at each game gets to ride the Olympia ice resurfacer during intermission.

## **Signature Events**



Children's National Medical Center Visit: The Capitals have been visiting Children's National Medical Center for more than 20 years. The trip to Children's has become an annual tradition that the players, en's coaches and owners look forward to each season. The National Medical Center, players spend time making arts and crafts, playing games, reading books, signing autographs and taking

pictures with patients in the hospital's atrium. They then divide into smaller groups and visit patients in various units throughout the hospital.

Miracle on Seventh Street: Since 2003 the District ChopHouse & Brewery has hosted Miracle on Seventh Street, an annual event held on Christmas day at their restaurant in downtown D.C. This event provides hundreds of underprivileged children and their families with a sit-down holiday dinner. Children at the event meet and take photos with Santa Claus, participate in arts and craft projects, get their faces painted and receive Christmas gifts courtesy of Toys for Tots. To support Miracle on Seventh Street, the Capitals have provided fleece sweatshirts, wool hats, jersey bags, toys from their Caps Care Toy Drives and have had players attend the event. Mike Green attended the event in 2007 for the second straight year.

#### **Calendar of Events**

(Please note that dates are subject to change.) **OCTOBER** 

Hockev Fights Cancer Practice Jersey Auction: Saturday, Oct. 11 vs. Chicago Hockey Fights Cancer Practice Jersey Auction: Monday, Oct. 13 vs. Vancouver

Hockey Fights Cancer Night and Practice Jersey Auction: Saturday, Oct. 18 vs. New Jersev

Fall Puck Surprise: Tuesday, Oct. 28 vs. Nashville Courage Caps Launch: Friday, Oct. 26 vs. Toronto

#### **NOVEMBER**

Canned Food Drive: Saturday, Nov. 8 vs. New York Rangers Courage Caps Launch: Monday, Nov. 10 vs. Tampa Bay DECEMBER

Toy Drive: Friday, Dec. 12 vs. Ottawa Players' Wives Gift Basket Auction: Thursday, Dec. 18 vs. St. Louis

#### JANUARY

Autism Awareness Day: Thursday, Jan. 1 vs. Tampa Bay Pick-A-Stick: Saturday, Jan. 17 vs. Boston

#### **FEBRUARY**

Military Night: Thursday, Feb. 5 vs. Los Angeles **APRIL** 

Spring Puck Surprise: Friday, Apr. 3 vs. Buffalo







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