Dear Fellow Curling Club Members,

As we prepare to wrap up another season at the Utica Curling Club, I want to thank the many volunteers who give of themselves, both their time as well as their talents. There are so many that to name each of you would take a long, long list – and, inevitably, I’d probably forget someone, which I don’t want to do. Please know that you have my heartfelt thanks for all the wonderful contributions you’ve made to the club. The member volunteer hours are mind-boggling and worth more than money could ever buy. In celebration of YOU, the second annual Volunteer Appreciation Party will be held in early fall at the Vineyard in Washington Mills, before the next curling season starts. Watch for an announcement in the September Curlogram.

One of the most important improvements this year has been in our ice operations. The appearance, quality, consistency of play and ice speed has been terrific. Thanks to Head Ice Tech Paul MacEnroe, as well as his outstanding crew. A number of the ice crew members will be receiving further training this summer, thanks to the generous tips gathered at both the in-house and invitational bonspiels. All ice tip monies collected this year have gone directly back into the club, with special emphasis on the ice-related needs identified by the ice crew. I guess the GNCC has been hearing about the interest clubs have in making and keeping good ice and, not surprisingly, it seems they, too, have been thinking about rocks, hacks, blades, temperature sensors, sprinkler heads and etc. Make note: In May, the GNCC is proud to host Fred Veale as featured speaker at their annual workshop, to be held in Saratoga Springs. I’m hoping that our ice crew will be represented in large numbers at his presentation. Look for the announcement and registration form, as well as the annual meeting details, in this Curlogram. All members are welcome to attend, not just the club ice crew members. Should be a very interesting presentation -- hope to see you there!

The Utica Curling Club will hold its own Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 7. All members are encouraged to attend. The bar will be
open at 5:30 p.m. for those wishing a libation. For those who have made a reservation for the Italian buffet, it will be served at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m. Please note that the bar will be closed during the meeting but will resume service following the meeting.

As I look back on my two years as your club President, I am proud of what we’ve been able to achieve together. We started my two years as President with an ambitious project to re-paint, re-carpet and generally re-hab the warm room, which took a lot of hours and definitely some sweat equity. Then, there was the idea to have a summer golf tournament, a concept which has quickly grown into an annual tradition and a solid revenue generator. What else? Well, our ice shed also received new carpet and there was a long overdue cleaning of the compressor room. We replaced ice blades, mop heads and had new hack pins machined. We acquired new sticks and stabilizers, along with more grippers and sliders to accommodate our many new groups who came to try curling. New ice leadership stepped forward in 2010, making a giant contribution appreciated by all. The profits from our corporate groups grew over 80% in just one year and we began a new junior program that’s been rockin’ on Sundays. We secured the services of a caterer who fills our bellies without emptying our wallets. We hosted a very successful Olympic Open House. We’ve also hosted the Mohawk Valley Quilt Show and the Antique Bottle Club, generating needed revenue from each. We’ve had garage sales, chicken BBQs, and raffle baskets. We’ve sold the opportunity to own quilts, eat apple pies, drink wine and consume untold numbers of jello shots. We’ve run a multitude of bonspiels and all the various leagues, giving curlers lots of choices in their curling calendars. We hosted the USCA Club Nationals and USCA wheelchair events. This year, we expanded our adaptive curling efforts to include persons with vision impairments and mild cerebral palsy, working closely with Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CABVI) and Utica Cerebral Palsy (UCP) as new partners. We’re ready to break ground this spring on the long-awaited wheelchair ramp project, with the vast majority of funding coming from grants and other non-club monies. The Thursday afternoon Fun and Fitness/Happy Hour curlers have become the envy of the club (‘cause they have so much fun week in and week out). We celebrated a Mitchell milestone with the 125th anniversary of the playing for the Mitchell medal in 2010. The Empire State returned to Utica in 2010, too. Both the GNCC Dykes (men with 5 yr experience or less) and the Elisabeth Childs’ Challenge (women with 5 yr experience or less) were
hosted by our club during the past two years. The monkey came to visit Utica, the monkey went home to Rochester. Our new curlers benefited from various instructional opportunities, including outstanding Curling Schools and one day clinics for both beginners and intermediate curlers. The College Curlers made their mark in the national college curling bonspiel. The wheelchair curlers gave us a thrill as they vied for a medal in Vancouver and came oh, so close. Liz Williams, Rachel Ryan and their team gave notice with a good showing in Kalamazoo at Women’s 2010 Nationals. The Charity Challenge grew to two days – one for youth groups and one for corporate groups. The Finance Committee organized for future growth and made some significant record-keeping strides. Our communications network grew more robust with email distribution of time-sensitive announcements, the conversion to a monthly electronic Curlogram for those who wish to receive it in that format and a much-envied website. The UCC (and the game of curling) made the Oneida County Tourism booklet and we garnered increased media attention in general. Our membership campaign took the message of curling to the Great American Irish Fest as well as to the NYS Fair in Syracuse. Whew!!!
The list goes on and on…

Yes…we’ve worked hard… and, yes, we’ve played hard during the past two years. They’ve surely passed quickly, that I know. Thank you for allowing me the honor of being your president. I thank each of you for the contributions you’ve made as we’ve worked together to make the Utica Curling Club a great place to be.

Good curling to all,
Marj Moore
UCC President 2008-2010

Help Wanted!

A base is needed for the new High School Charity Challenge trophy. If you or some one you know has experience -- or wants to gain some experience -- with this type of endeavor, please contact Audrey Foote either by e-mail (audrey_foote@gmail.com) or phone (982-2634) to discuss the details. Your help is greatly appreciated!
Town of New Hartford proclaims February 27
Jimmy Joseph Day

Celebrating with Jimmy (front, center) are Marc DePerno, Sitrin; Carol Jones, UCC Membership Chair and Board of Directors’ representative; Marj Moore, UCC President; and Dave Ryan, Mayor of New Hartford

Olympic Open House Recap

On Sunday, February 28 over 300 guests from as far away as Rochester and Oneonta visited the club for an opportunity to try curling. Just as important were the over 60 volunteers who helped make the event a success. I know that our 5 to 1 guest-to-volunteer ratio was the reason the event went so smoothly.

Many hands help lighten the load, but a few people deserve special recognition: Carol Jones for keeping Laura and I on track, Marj and Brian Moore for their generous contribution to the advertising budget, M.J. Walsh for taking charge of the on-ice instruction, and Mike Swiercz for entering all the contact information into a common data base.

As a result of the open house we filled our Spring curling school and look forward to the benefit of new members next fall.

--John & Lara Jacon
**Final Ice Notes**

Hopefully, you have not noticed but over the last 2-3 weeks of the curling season the Ice Crew had many challenges keeping the ice up to our standard ice conditions. The outside heat pushed our ice making equipment hard and taxed our talents. As the temperature and humidity go up outside major adjustments have to be made inside. Fortunately, we are documenting the issues and testing solutions as we go along. I think we will have a better handle on it next year.

I have been very lucky to have been surrounded by a great ice crew this year. I think no one has walked as many miles behind the scraper as Jim Rishel. Charlie Schatz took over the role of coordinating the scheduling of the ice crew and did a great job. Dave Critelli was great at having his machine shop make what or fix anything we needed. Dave Palazzoli, Tom Clark, Dave Mitchell and John Spicer have done fantastic work to help make it possible for us to have the best ice possible. Each of these people has the attitude that is embodied by the following statement. “I know that the ice is good but how can we make it better.” They are a great asset to the club and we all owe them our thanks.

Our crew really stretched to raise the standards of our ice at the club. We scraped the ice every day. We reseated and cleaned the hacks monthly and did 3 reconditioning floods. This, combined with daily maintenance, I think made a real difference in the quality of our ice.

While the rest of you are finished with the curling season we still have another 2 to 3 weeks of work to get the ice and prepare for the start of next season. For the ice crew the start of the next season is September 15th.

On a personal note, Michelle and I would like to thank everyone for all of their kindness and generosity. Alex has been welcomed into the club and we really appreciate that. Thank you to all of his Aunts and Uncles who have held him for us.

Have a great summer. –Paul MacEnroe
UCC Garage Sale

Once the curling season ends, it is time to start Spring cleaning. So, start going through your attics, garages, spare rooms and cupboards to gather your treasures for the UCC Garage Sale. The dates for this year’s sale will be **June 17-19**. We are still in the initial planning stages, so we definitely need helpers. If you can help out in anyway please contact: Carol Jones, Cindy Brown, or Sharon Brown-Burns.

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**Times we are hoping to have for DROP OFF**

Weekdays (Jun 7-11 & Jun 14-16) 9am - Noon & 6-8 pm
Weekends (Jun 6 & Jun 12-13) 10am – 2pm
By Appointment Only – Drop Off Please Contact Carol Jones (868-8520) or Cindy Brown (292-8249)

Start Collecting your treasures now!
When you come to drop off items, you will be asked to leave time to put your items in the appropriate areas that will be marked off.
We also encourage you to stick around and help price your items

**SHOP WHILE YOU DROP… You can buy items while dropping off your items!**

**NOTE:** If you would like to drop items off and cannot make it during the drop off times, please schedule an appointment with Carol Jones or Cindy Brown

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Having trouble thinking of items to donate? Here is just a sampling of acceptable items. We are also asking that you DON'T bring certain items. Also, please only bring items that are in good shape and in working order.

- Electronics
- Sporting goods
- Furniture
- Hobby/Craft Items
- Linens/Home décor
- Light Fixtures
- Outdoor Furniture
- Pictures/Art
- Working small appliances
- Holiday themed items
- Lamps
- Books/Magazines
- Games/Toys
- Silver/Crystal
- Dishware
- Kitchenware
- Tools
- Jewelry

**NO CLOTHES**
**NO BELTS or SHOES**
**NO COMPUTER MONITORS**
(unless with the rest of the computer system)
HERE IS WHERE WE NEED YOUR HELP:

- Your donations, of course
- People to be at the club while people drop items off (and, if possible, also help organize and/or price at the same time)
- People to help pick up items
- Tables (with your name marked on the bottom)
- Set up including pricing/organization
- Sellers on the floor
- Cashiers
- Talliers (helping to add up items before they get to the cashier)
- Wrapping and bagging volunteers
- Pick up/receiving items
- Clean-up (Saturday evening and possibly Sunday if necessary)
- Scheduling Workers
- People to help make signs

This is a valuable fundraiser for the club but in order to make the event work smoothly and successfully we need full involvement from club members. If you are available please make yourself known to Carol Jones, Cindy Brown, or Sharon Brown-Burns.

Cindy Brown at H: 733-2260 C: 292-8249 or email gncbrown@roadrunner.com
Sharon Brown-Burns at H:738-1233 or email brown-burns@roadrunner.com
Carol Jones at H: 797-6635, W: 624-3801 email cjones@tristate.biz

**Sponsorship Committee**

The Sponsorship Committee wishes to express their gratitude for all of the donations during the past year. Through the generosity of members and friends of the Curling Club a substantial amount was raised. Please thank our sponsors by patronizing their businesses. If you find new sponsors during the summer, our rates are very reasonable. A Committee member will be glad to contact them and/or send a brochure.

A special “thank you” to the Committee, including: Karen Rogowski, Dean Kelly, Hal and Linda Rance, Chuck Harter, Colleen Welch, and Mike Swiercz.

--Peggy S. Rotten, Sponsorship Committee Chair
The Golf Tournament Committee is at work again organizing our annual summer golf outing. We hope many of you will be able to join us as a golfer or volunteer on Saturday June 5th at Pine Hills in Frankfort for a fun kick off to summer.

It will again be a captain and crew format and we expect to have a full field of 36 teams so don’t delay in getting your entry forms in. Teams returning from the 2009 tournament will have first priority until May 1st as long as their full team entry fee is paid. After that date, it will be first come first serve.

This year, we are offering **UCC Golf Tournament apparel** through Liz Nolan (Sew What Embroidery). You can log on to [www.companycasuals.com/uccgolf](http://www.companycasuals.com/uccgolf) to view the apparel including: t-shirts ($15), polo shirts ($20), ladies sleeveless polos ($19), hoodies ($35) and windshirts ($40), all embroidered (cost included) with the golf tournament logo. A variety of colors are available. Payments can be made either through PayPal or sent to: UCC Golf Committee 205 Washington Drive, New Hartford, NY 13413.

A vital role in the success of this fundraising effort is securing sponsors and prize donors. The Golf Committee is looking for your help. Please assist us in gathering sponsorship and prize donations as every little bit of effort on the part of our members greatly contributes to the success and positive experience of participating in our tournament. There are many levels of sponsorship and every level is greatly appreciated. Don’t be shy. Ask a friend or business associate if they can help us out. The sponsorship levels are included in this Curlogram and will be e-mailed to all members along with an entry form.

The Committee has drafted a letter to mail to potential sponsors. All we ask of our members is to provide a name and address of a potential sponsor to Julie Chanatry jchanatry@gmail.com and she will take care of the rest. If you prefer, we can send you a template letter and you can either send or deliver the letter in person. As a reminder, we are a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization so all donations are tax deductible.

Just like curling, a great tournament is not pulled off without the assistance of dedicated volunteers! There are many areas where we will need additional assistance including:

- Selling 50/50 tickets
- Basket raffle tickets
- Prize table tickets
Golfer registration
Hole observers for casino hole contest
Collecting scorecards
Beer cart babes/studs (opportunities are limited!)
General assistance (as needed)

If you have an interest in helping with any of these areas, please contact our volunteer coordinators Phil and Brenda Citriniti.

Not a golfer? No problem. Come and join us for dinner and cocktails! See the golf entry form for details.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Golf Committee: Tom Thorngren, Anne Stuhlman, Don Knapp, Barb Felice, Jim Schafer, Julie Chanatry, Brenda Citriniti, Phil Citriniti, Knoyca Law, Conrad Law.

We look forward to seeing you at Pine Hills on June 5th!!!

2010 Glengarry Challenge Results

The 2010 Glengarry Challenge was held March 3, 4 and 6. Thanks to a supply of subs, we were able to field 10 teams. The competition was friendly yet competitive, with 2 five and under teams practicing for the upcoming Childs Challenge. Congratulations to all participants, with a special recognition to the team of Susan Williams, Donna Caleo, Ylva Cortright and Michele MacEnroe for being the 2010 Glengarry Challenge winners! The A Runner up was the team of Laura Jacon, MJ Walsh, Jen Turner and Jan Rishel. Peggy Rotton was on hand to present the winners trophies and pins. She also presented the awards to the runners up on behalf of Eydie Savett who was unable to join us. A special thank you to both Peggy and Eydie who have supported this event by sponsoring the A event pins and trophies.

The kitchen staff provided three wonderful meals on Saturday finishing up with home made cookies by Dick Rose’s mother. They were a perfect addition to the after dinner cordials. Thank you to the volunteer ice crew who provided excellent ice conditions, the bar staff and most important to Heather Swiercz, Julie Chanatry and Lisa Magnarelli who without your help the event would not have been possible.

Thank you to all the members and guests who purchased tickets for the wine basket raffle. Your support is greatly appreciated. I am happy to announce Don Knapp was the lucky winner!

—Karen Rogowski
Curling in the news…
The New York Times had many curling stories during the Olympics – and not just on the sports pages! Check out http://www.nytimes.com/2010/02/26/business/26curling.html?th&emc=th from the Business section on Friday, Feb. 26th:

Wall Street trading is often described as a blood sport. But inside the great investment houses, the sport of the moment is, of all things, curling…

This slow-poke game, which originated in 16th-century Scotland, has captivated the Type-A world of Wall Street almost by accident. CNBC, whose market chatter is the background music on trading floors, switches to curling from Vancouver shortly after the closing bell.

And so, after a day of braying for money in the markets, traders are winding down with curling. It is, fans say, a bit of after-market therapy. Curling is so slow and drawn out that it becomes mesmerizing.

“It is like drinking merlot,” said Douglas A. Kass, the president of Seabreeze Partners, who got hooked on Olympic curling a few years ago via CNBC…


Broomsters Golf League

It will soon be time to get your golf clubs out again. If you are interested in joining us, a strictly fun league, please call Doreen Hayes at 736-0394. We play at Sauquoit Knolls Golf Club on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm starting the first week in May.

We also need subs – please call and put your name on the list.

--Doreen Hayes

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*Sponsorship Opportunities!!*

**Diamond Sponsorship: $500**
Hole Sponsor sign, full-page golf program ad, curling scoreboard advertisement throughout the 2010 – 2011 curling season, full page curling roster book ad, $25 off one team entry, and your choice of a three-hour corporate curling outing for up to 20 people (a $300 value) or two fall (Oct – Dec 2010) trial curling memberships ($250 value – non-members only).

**Gold Sponsorship: $300**
Hole Sponsor sign, full-page golf program ad, $25 off one team entry, and your choice of a three-hour corporate curling outing for up to 20 people (a $300 value) or two fall (Oct-Dec 2010) trial curling memberships ($250 value – non-members only).

**Silver Sponsorship: $150**
Hole Sponsor sign, half-page golf program ad, $25 off one team entry, and your choice of a three-hour corporate curling outing for up to 10 people (a $150 value) or one fall (Oct – Dec 2010) trial curling membership ($125 value – non-members only).

**Bronze Sponsorship: $75**
Hole Sponsor sign, listing in the program, $25 off a team entry.

**Prize Donor:**
Name/business/organization listed as donor in the golf program

**Golf Team Entry:**
See entry form for details

All sponsorship checks should be made payable to the Utica Curling Club and mailed to: UCC Golf Committee 205 Washington Drive New Hartford, NY 13413 by May 24, 2010.

As a reminder, we are a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization so

**all donations are tax deductible.**
2010 GNCC NOMINATING PROCESS

Introduction
At the 2010 GNCC Annual Meeting, to be held on May 15th, there will be two positions of leadership available for nominations.

Announcement for GNCC Positions
The nominating process this year will apply to the following two positions, at the completion of their terms: (1) One GNCC Director and (2) One GNCC Representative to the USCA Board of Directors.

2010 GNCC Positions

(1) One GNCC Director
The term of office is for three years. You will report to the GNCC 2nd Vice President (Competitions and Programs) and manage, schedule and coordinate all GNCC events leading to national championships.

Time Commitment:
Weekend attendance at the GNCC annual Meeting in the Spring and the Executive Committee in the Fall. Communication with various GNCC clubs hosting the events will be critical as well as ensuring that follow-up reports are submitted to you before the Annual Meeting.

(2) USCA Representative
The term of office is for three years and represents the GNCC’s interests at the USCA. You will be asked to attend GNCC meetings as well as USCA meetings that are typically held in the Midwest in April and September. There is an expectation that you will be assigned to a Major Committee(s) to work important issues for the USCA. You will be required to pay for your expenses to these meetings (travel and hotel). The GNCC does, however, provide a stipend of $250.00 (for each meeting) to cover some expenses for attending these two meetings.

Nomination Process
Applications can be made from GNCC members to the Nominating Committee via e-mail or U.S. Post Office mail. The GNCC membership will be apprised of the open GNCC positions through the posting of this notice at member clubs, via e-mail, and through the use of the GNCC webpage to help distribute the nomination announcement.

Nominating Committee
The process for composition of the GNCC Nominating Committee is that the Immediate Past President of the GNCC appoints a nominating committee well before the Annual Meeting in the Spring. The membership of this committee is dictated by the GNCC By-Laws (Article V, Section II) and includes the immediate past president, two members of the “Advisory Committee” (which are all the living GNCC past presidents) and two other GNCC members not from the same club.

Please post this letter and the attached nomination form within your club. Nominations are due to any member of the Nominating Committee by May 6th, 2010.
2010 – GNCC Officer
Nomination Form

Position:
Name:
Address:
E-Mail Address:
Home Phone:
Work Phone:
Number of Years of Curling:
Primary Curling Club:
Curling Experience/Events Participation:
Curling Leadership Positions Held:
Goals for Growing the GNCC:
Profile: (Curling or personal information you think is important for consideration):

Signature of Nominator______________________________________
I have discussed this nomination with the nominee and he/she has given me approval to place his/her name in nomination for the above position.

Or

Signature of Nominee________________________________________
I have read the job description above and I would like to have my name placed in nomination for the above position.

Please complete this nomination form and return application by U.S. Postal mail or e-mailing to any member of the GNCC Nominating Committee. If additional pages are necessary to provide complete information, please do so.
Deadline is May 6th, 2009.

GNCC Nominating Committee:
Gwen Krailo (Chair)  gwenk@nashuafoundries.com
4 Tomolonis Drive, Nashua, NH 03062
Bob Pelletier  rpelletier@dllr.state.md.us
9056 Bellwart Way, Columbia, MD 21045
Sam Williams  sam_williams@comcast.net
14 Chadwick Street, Acton, MA 01720
Maryann Vermeulin  maryanndv@embarqmail.com
459 Lomerson Lane, Glen Gardener, NJ 08826
Jon Barbagallo  jbarbag@gmail.com
PO Box 726, Norfolk, CT 06058
GNCC Annual Meeting
May 14-16, 2010, Saratoga Springs, NY
Registration Form

Name(s) ____________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

Phone ___________________________ Email ____________________________

GNCC Club Affiliation ____________________________________________

Please check items you will attend and write in the number of attendees.

☐ Golf, May 14, 1:00 PM fee time, $46.00 green fee ______
☐ President’s Reception, (Club Presidents & Reps, Committee Chairs, and Spouses) ______
☐ Committee meeting, May 15, 9:00 AM, ______
☐ Fred Veale Presentation, May 15, 1:00 PM
☐ Banquet, May 15, 7:00 PM, (Cash bar 6:00 PM) $30.00 ______
   ☐ Grilled Balsamic Chicken ☐ Marinated Flank Steak ☐ Tortellini Pomodoro
☐ Annual Meeting, May 16, 9:00 AM ______
☐ Lunch, noon $15.00 ______

Total amount enclosed $ ____________________________

Please mail completed form with check payable to GNCC by May 5, 2010 to:
Michelle MacEnroe, 11 Bartlett Road, Whitesboro, NY 13492
michelle@themacenroes.com, 315.736.1155

Registration forms can also be found on our website

www.gncc.org

For room reservations contact:
Hyatt Place Saranac/Malta Hotel
518.885.1109.
The room rate for Grand National Curling
Club members is $97.00 plus 8% tax.
All rooms are suites.
The hotel has a pool any many other
amenities. Check their website
<saratogamalta.place.hyatt.com> for details.
GNCC Spring Meeting Guest Speaker
Fred Veale from Canada Curling Stone
May 15, 2010 – 1-4pm
Hyatt Hotel – Saratoga Springs NY

FRED WILL ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR CLUBS CURLING ROCKS ALONG WITH DISCUSSING NEW AND UPCOMING RINK EQUIPMENT AND ALL THE TOOLS FOR THE MODERN ICEMAN.

Knowing what’s best for your club and how to get the most out of your investment is essential to your clubs success.

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* Stone Storage
* Identify problems with rocks
* How to get consistent performance
* Factors that affect stone performance
* Nipper operation & maintenance
* Scraper information
* New Rink Equipment
* Question & Answer time with Fred

"Curling is a hard enough sport to master with good equipment, but throw in some bad stones, and an improperly maintained equipment and you have an inconsistent and dreadful experience for your members".

To sign up for the meeting
Contact Michele Moore at
michaelem@hamagenews.com
or 315-753-1195
Hotel Reservations can be made at the Hyatt in Saratoga at 518-889-5111
Group rate of $87 a night
Registration forms can be found on our website
www.gncc.org

Don’t miss this opportunity! Good ice and equipment are important to all curlers
**Elisabeth Childs Challenge**

On March 18-21, 22 teams of 5 year and under women curlers played in the Elisabeth Childs Challenge at UCC. The curling was well played, the ice was beautiful, all ate well and all enjoyed their stay in Utica.

Thank you to UCC’s members for allowing these new curlers to enjoy your club. For many it was their first “out of town” bonspiel.

This is the first year this event is called the Elisabeth Childs Challenge. Her daughters, friends and other relatives came from Norfolk and other parts of the country to watch the curling and help pay tribute to one of the fine supporters of our game. Her family was pleased by the turn out, the event and our UCC hospitality.

The theme was Camp Wannacurl and one team presented “The Curl Scout Pledge” It is worth sharing.

I will do my best to
- Be honest and fair,
- Make my shots,
- Make good sweep calls, and
- Be responsible for burnt stones.

And to
- Respect the curling gods,
- Use skip stones wisely,
- Make curling clubs a better place, and
- Be a sister to every Curl Scout.

That sums up the weekend and the sisterhood of curling!!

Thanks again, *Susan Williams, local chair*

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**Thanks!**

I wish to thank all who donated toiletries during the year. They were collected and given to family shelters. Most of us would find it difficult to imagine not having a tooth brush, soap, or shampoo, but individuals and families find themselves in that desperate situation. They may be new to this country, trying to leave an abusive relationship, or desperately in need. Whatever you donated was deeply appreciated. If you travel or have toiletries, I can pick them up at golf on Tuesdays or you can leave them at 18 Danberry Rd. and I will make sure they are donated to one of the local charitable organizations. *--Peggy Rotton*
Results of the 19th annual Elisabeth Childs Challenge

A winner Schenectady 1 Lori Millet, Lisa Filkins, Sue Adair, Yuko Kashiwado
A runner up Plainfield 3 Shara Dellatore, Aya Takeichi, Melissa Foote, Eileen Merrigan

B winner Plainfield 1 Sarah McCulloh, Barb Thomson, Florence Chan, Linda Pecsi
B runner up Albany Marilyn Goldstein, Kathy Sipzner, Emma Foster, Megan Boyak

C winner Broomstones 3 Teri Olson, Karen Walker, Alina Martinez, Tina Young
C runner up Cape Cod 1 Martha Kenney, Martha Balas, Linda Pistili, Lynn Parks

D winner Utica 2 Marena Taverne, Sue Gardner, Sarah Artessa, Peggy Pratt
D runner up Utica 4 Brenda Citriniti, Rachel Ryan, Knyoca law, Jessica MacIntosh

E winner Philadelphia 2 Amy Kaiser, Carissa Brittain, Nanci Smith, Angela Green
E runner up Utica 1 Roasted and Toasted Carrie Casab, Ann Kebabian, Dawn Scherer, Audrey Foote

F winner Schenectady 3 Stephanie Magee, Natalie McDonough, Meghan Campbell, Sara Marchand
F runner up Utica 3 Dana Cooreman, Vicky Sheardown, Mary Kent, Mary Boak

Background on the Child’s challenge and the full draw & results are available on the website http://www.uticacurlingclub.org/childs-challenge.htm
Rochester-Utica Friendly

Mission accomplished at Rochester-Utica Friendly, Mar. 13, 2010. Chairs Dave Dekkers, Sarah Artessa, and Dave Palazzoli are pleased to announce that the Utica Curling Club was victorious in the annual one-day bonspiel, held this year in Utica. This four-draw, 16 game event pitted 32 Utica mixed curlers against a similar group from Rochester, including three of their most competitive skips but missing Utica-Rochester favorite Caitlin Costello Maraldo. The results were close with only one point separating us after three draws, but Utica never trailed in this total rock event and we ultimately prevailed by a margin of 9 points. Next year Utica travels to Rochester to compete under their rules, on their ice, and with their stones. Start planning now! This is a great event for veteran and new curlers alike, and the opportunity to help keep the monkey in its rightful home shouldn’t be missed! The ice was super and the food was, too! The chairs and mixed committee would like to thank the caterers, ice crew, and other volunteers for putting on a wonderful event and Dave Palazzoli for donating excessive amounts of Moose Milk (the most important ingredient of any successful bonspiel).
—Dave Dekkers

Happy Hour 2010 Results

Chairs: Gary and Susan Fountain

You'll never find the winter blahs at Happy Hour! We had 14 very fun teams plus subs, we were able to play every week as the board scheduled Tuesday when there was a conflict for a Thursday - Thank You board members - we had our first snow day cancellation event and on March 23rd we hung our brooms and partied like always! Our banquet was prepared by our fabulous kitchen staff, Dominick and Andy, our very talented Happy Hour bakers provided desserts and teased the sweet tooth in all of us, and "awards" were presented to everyone. The winning team was; Diane Caine, skip, Dan Kenney, Carol Griebsch and Mary Kent.

Thank you to all that assisted in various ways during the season and now it's time to put on the spikes and golf.
Ladies Evening Leagues 2009–2010 Results

Although our numbers were a bit down this year, the women’s evening leagues went very well. We had a number of first-year curlers and second-year curlers filling out our rosters. They all curled great and we could not have had as successful a year without their participation. The chairs of the league would also like to thank our veteran curlers who were wonderful mentors to the more inexperienced curlers. We are all tired but happy and we look forward to next year.

Congratulations to the winners of the Women’s Evening Leagues this year:

Bonnie Piper – 2009
Laura Jacon, skip; Melon Sofinski, 3rd; Carrie Casab, 2nd; Dawn Scherer, lead.

Calder – 2009
Julie Chanatry, skip; Anne Stuhlman, 3rd; Cindy Wydysh, 2nd; Jill Ferris, lead.

Lambert-Grant – 2010
Joyce Shaffer, skip; Peggy Caneen, 3rd; Monica Spath, 2nd; Jan Rishel, lead.

Glenpladie – 2010
Cindy Brown, skip; Katlyn Beebe, 3rd; Dawn Scherer, 2nd; Ann Kebabian, lead.

Daytime Ladies Curling

Roemer 2010 Results

Winners: Chris Gleason, skip; Judi Giovannone, Jacquelyn Schmidt, Kathy Heuss
Runners-up: Susan Gardner, skip; Ylva Cortright, Peggy Pratt

The Daytime Women are extremely grateful to the Ice Men for our exceptional ice this year. Their effort to care that the Daytime Women have ice conditions equal to any other league does not go unnoticed.

A special "thank you" to Susan Gardner & Peggy Pratt for nipping and mopping the ice for us. They make themselves available even on their bye weeks. --Joyce A. Shaffer
The Rose Results

Thank you to everyone who participated in The Rose. There were 10 first year curlers on the 22 teams competing! Also thank you to those of you who could not curl and came for dinner. There were 109 attending dinner and many more joining us afterwards to enjoy the band. See you all in the fall! Have a safe summer!

3 Game Winner- Brian Moore, Anne Stuhlman, Joe Langlois, Melissa Foote
3 Game Runner Up- Jared Wydysh, Danica Dombrowski, Mike DiMeo, Cindy Wydysh
2 Game Winner- Conrad Law, Karen Rogowski, Tom Thorngren, Knyoca Law
2 Game Runner Up- Mike Platt, Dana Cooreman, Tom Platt Jr, Vicky Sheardown
1 Game Winner- Jim Gleason, Chris Gleason, Jim Rishel, Jan Rishel
1 Game Runner Up- Alex Ryan, Rachel Ryan, Mike Kessler, Kim Freeley

--The DiMeos and The Laws- CHAIRS

2010 Cobb Mixed Bonspiel Winners

Holding the President's Bowl
Left to right: Brian Moore, skip, Carol Jones, Dale Jones and Marj Moore
From the Archives...

In the December 26th, 1938 edition of “Newsweek” magazine, amid articles regarding the rising Nazi menace in Europe, and the announcement of the arrival in Washington of Kensuke Horinouchi, new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, who announced his principle duty would be “to do all in my power to establish a basis for permanent understanding between America and Japan” and gave assurance of peaceful Pacific relations between the two countries “for generations to come”, was the following sports article.

Stones and Scotch

Curling’s world series takes place annually at Utica, N.Y., in February. Ordinarily the bonspiel (tournament) at the St. Andrews Golf Club in Mount Hope, N.Y., is just one of many competitions leading up to the Utica event. But this year because St. Andrews—cradle of golf in the United States—is celebrating its 50th anniversary, a banner group of four-teen curling clubs (nineteen teams, called rinks) last week convened to take part in the golden jubilee.

From Utica and Schenectady, N.Y., Brookline, Mass., Boston, Toronto, and Montreal came jolly groups of red-nosed men whose favorite sport is delivering a 40-pound granite stone—with a modified bowling motion—down a smooth sheet of ice. It mattered little whether the stones curved to their intended destination near the center of a circle 126 feet away or whether a teammate, sweeping an ordinary broom violently in front of the sliding stone, did more harm than good in attempting to guide its path. For the St. Andrews bonspiel—like all other conventions of curlers—was more a party of companions than a competitive sport. Scotch and sodas were always at elbow’s reach.

After three days, the winners of the Douglas Medal matches—the featured event—was a Utica quartet (J.W. Calder, skip; J.I. Farrell, K.S. Hurd, A.N. Gleason). By a score of 14-7, they outcurled the Country Club of Brookline (Francis Brooks, skip; L.Hill, E.W. Rogers, C.B. Balch).
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!
SEE YOU NEXT FALL