President’s Message

Under the heading of “no fun but we gotta do it”, the BoD looked at our dues levels at our most recent meeting. As we expected from prior reviews, we are running a fairly significant negative cash flow (spending more than we have coming in). Last year we discussed raising dues by about 3% each year for a five-year period to eliminate a 15% negative cash flow. As many of you remember, we had a special meeting where a 3% increase was approved. Well here we are at year two of our five-year plan.

In accordance with our bylaws, we are announcing that we will recommend a 3% dues increase at the annual meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 29. The recommendation will also be posted on the bulletin board at the club. Of course, the membership has the final say on this increase and there will be a vote at the meeting. The proposal is:

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We have had terrific ice this year but have incurred some maintenance and repair costs. Our equipment is getting somewhat old so we may have more
such costs in the future.

No one on the board likes dues increases but we really have to pay our bills and going further and further into debt is not appealing. Please give the proposal some thought and we can discuss it or some alternative at the annual meeting.

Thanks,
Fred

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Glengarry Closing Dinner Meeting

Our dinner meetings keep us informed of Glengarry/Club Happenings
Our 150th will be celebrated January 2018-December 2018
St Patrick’s Day Parade 2018
End-Of-Year Committee Reports
Empire State Bonspiel, January 2018
League Winners will be recognized
Next-year’s Glengarry Executive Committee election

Trackside Restaurante

321 Main Street, Utica, NY – Beautiful Historic Train Station
Thursday, April 20, 5:30 PM cocktails / 6:15 PM dinner
Cost $28

72 hour cancellation policy
Dutch treat cocktails
Spinach Dip (appetizer)
Family Style Dinner
Salad
Vodka Riggies
Chicken Lucia
Egg Plant Napoleon
Stuffed Pork
Soda/Coffee/Tea/Desert

Sign up on the ladies bulletin board,
Email joycesshafer@roadrunner.com or call 735-8775
Please make sure that I acknowledge your email reservation
Reservation deadline, Friday, April 14
18th Annual Charity Curling Challenge
Date: Saturday, March 18, 2017
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Utica Curling Club

This event is open to first year and non-curlers. Any curler with more than a year's experience is welcome to coach a team. Raise money for your favorite charity, then come and curl! The day's activities include an orientation, practice time, break for lunch, championship game and award ceremonies. For those who have not previously curled, we suggest you wear a turtle-neck, sweater, light jacket, and a pair of loose fitting slacks. Jeans are NOT recommended!! IMPORTANT – bring an extra pair of clean sneakers to wear on the ice. You cannot wear street shoes on the ice due to dirt and salt that can damage the ice. Thank you on behalf of the selected charities for "Curling for a Cause"

There is a $50 per team of four entry fee ($10 for any additional people on the team. The fee is due Friday, March 3, 2017. Please pay by check made payable to the Utica Curling Club. The fee goes towards equipment rental, ice rental, snacks, lunch, and awards. Money raised for your charity is due at the event. This can be in the form of cash or checks made out to the charity of your choice.

Day’s Activities
10:00 AM Registration/Release Forms
10:15 AM Money Collection
10:45 AM Orientation
11:00 AM Practice
12:00 PM Lunch (included in entry fee)
1:00 PM Showtime (Championship Games)
3:00 PM Awards Ceremony

Fans are welcome! Signs and noisemakers help cheer on the participants. Bring your family and friends!
On Feb. 10th and 11th, UCC hosted our annual college bonspiel. Unusually, Mother Nature didn’t interfere with team travel! That was a “good thing”, as being the host site for college nationals, everyone wanted to play in this spiel – 23 teams entered looking for one of the 16 spots.

Teams from Bowdoin College (Maine), Colgate University, Hamilton College, Harvard, MIT, RIT, RPI, SUNY Polytechnic, University of Pennsylvania, Villanova, and Yale came not only to play, but also to earn points for the USCA College National. In a fast paced game that could be a model for how to keep a game moving forward, RPI took top honors, defeating Yale in the A final. The local teams all made it into the finals and SUNY Poly and Hamilton College qualified for the national championships. Full results are on the website.

And speaking of college nationals: have you signed up to volunteer? We are still in need of help, including folks to hold team signs in the opening ceremonies, timers, and putting out snacks. Sign up on the bulletin board near the bar or email M.J. Do you know a local business that might donate to the welcome bags for each team? College students love food, but practical gifts are good too - small toothpaste, breathe mints, thumb drives, etc.

Volunteers and Donations Still Needed
College Nationals
Email MJ Walsh
10th Annual UCC Golf Tournament

It’s hard to believe it’s already been years but here we are again preparing for another fun UCC event! The Golf Tournament will take place on June 10th at Pine Hill Golf Course in Frankfort. This is a fun relaxed atmosphere and all levels of golfers are welcome. There will be a Men's, Women's, Mixed and Senior division (minimum of 2 teams required) as well as many contest prizes for men and women. Team formats are open - any gender combination is acceptable.

Sound like fun? Grab a team and get signed up early! Returning teams are guaranteed a spot if fully paid by May 1st. If you did not have a team in 2016, entries will then be taken based on date of payment so feel free to submit your entry prior to May 1st. We will notify you after May 1st if your team is in. If you don't have a team but want to play, let us know and we'll put you on a list for teams who need a player or two.

There is much to do to get ready for this event and many donations/prizes will be needed. We need your help!!! We don't want our golfers to go away empty handed so we annually gather 144 door prizes. We would appreciate any help in asking a business that you frequent or a business associate if they would be interested in donating a small $10-$15 prize. Gift certificates, bottle of wine/liquor, greens fees to a local golf course, golf apparel/equipment or anything else you can think of that makes a nice gift is greatly appreciated. Don’t be shy - just ask! We will also gladly accept larger prize items or themed gift baskets that can be raffled off in our larger prize raffle. All donations can be given to Barb Felice.

As for sponsors, included in this curlogram is a listing of sponsorship opportunities. If you know of someone who would be interested in being a tournament sponsor, hole sponsor, goody bag donor or would like to donate in some way, please let us know and we can send them our sponsor letter or contact them. Feel free to give them a copy of the sponsorship form or ask them yourself if they would be interested in being a sponsor or donor. Most businesses need a copy
of the sponsor form before committing to making a donation. As a reminder, we are a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization so all donations are tax deductible.

We are also selling tickets for a chance to win one of our top 10 prizes with the big prize being $1,000 in cash! You'll be seeing us soon around the club with raffle tickets in hand. Take a chance and maybe you'll have half of your curling dues paid before the season starts in Fall 2017!

If you're not a golfer but want to join in on the fun, there are plenty of volunteer opportunities. Beth Pappalardo is looking for volunteers for various jobs: registering golfers, selling raffle tickets, golf hole assistants, photography and many more. Contact Beth if you are interested in helping on the day of the event.

As you may know this will be the last year for several committee members who have been volunteering on the Golf Committee for 10 years now. It’s someone else’s turn to keep this fun event going. We have approximately 6 members of an ongoing committee so we’re still looking for 4-6 more. If you have an interest in helping for 2018 and forward, please contact Anne Stuhlman. We have a big anniversary coming up in 2018 so let’s be sure to make the Golf Tournament a big part of the festivities!

We look forward to another fun tournament and a successful year! If you have any questions or comments, please contact any member of the Golf Committee: Tom Thorngren, Anne Stuhlman, Barb Felice, Don Knapp, Jim Schafer, Julie Chanatry, Tim Conboy, Ben Gaetano, Conrad/Knyoca Law or Beth Pappalardo.
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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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

**Silver Sponsorship: $150**
Hole sponsor sign, half-page golf program ad, $25 off a team entry and your choice of a two-hour corporate curling outing for up to 10 people (a $250 value) or one fall (Oct-Dec) trial curling membership ($150 value – non-members only) during the 2017-2018 curling season

**Gold Sponsorship: $300**
Hole Sponsor sign, full-page golf program ad, $25 off a team entry and your choice of a two-hour corporate curling outing for up to 20 people (a $500 value) or two fall (Oct-Dec) trial curling memberships ($300 value – non-members only) during the 2017-2018 curling season

**Platinum Sponsorship $500**
All Gold Sponsorship items plus: curling scoreboard advertisement throughout the 2017 – 2018 curling season (Oct – March) and a full page curling roster book ad for full curling season

**Prize Donor (Gift card or other door prize item)**
Name/business/organization listed as donor in the golf program

_____ Yes, I would like to be a sponsor of the UCC Golf Tournament.
_____ Please check your sponsorship preference:

[ ] Platinum [ ] Gold [ ] Silver [ ] Bronze

_____ Sorry, I am unable to sponsor the UCC Golf Tournament this year but would like to provide a prize donation to help support the tournament.

A member of the Golf Committee will contact you to arrange for your advertisement design layout for the golf/curling program(s) and/or scoreboard advertisement, or if you want to make a donation.

Business / Organization Name
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Contact _____________________________ Phone _______________ E-Mail
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Checks should be made payable to the Utica Curling Club and mailed along with this form to: UCC Golf Committee 205 Washington Drive New Hartford, New York 13413. If you have questions, regarding sponsorship or need an entry form, call 368-7776 or e-mail your questions to astuhlman@roadrunner.com.

Thank you for your support!
As a reminder, we are a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization so all donations are tax deductible.

**FINAL DEADLINE – MAY 25th, 2017**
The Rose is coming!

Thursday, March 23 thru Saturday, March 25

Are you a new curler? Never played in a Mixed event?

Then give it a try this year!

Sign up as a team or individual

$200 Rink Fee includes:

- Snacks after each draw
- Toddy bowl
- Elegant sit down dinner (TBD)
- Live music for dancing

*The kitchen will also be available during the bonspiel.

Can't curl?

Sign up for dinner and be part of the classiest party of the year.

Watch for the sign up on the Mixed board

Hope to see you there!!

Event chairs: Brenda & Phil Citriniti & Knycya Law
2017 Cobb Vaudeville at the UCC

The Vaudeville theme at this year’s Cobb seemed to bring out the secret entertainer in those who participated in Saturday night’s costume parade. Fridays night’s banquet had a three act feature with our own curling duo, Joel Scherer and Dale Jones (Abbott & Costello). Bryn the magnificent juggler (Bryn Davis). With Chuck Harter’s Quartet closing the show. The bands both nights were a crowd pleaser with dancing into the late night.

Many thanks to Jacquelyn Schmidt, her committee and all of the members that contributed to the Thursday night welcome meal. Also thank you Joel Scherer for taking care of all the snacks for the weekend and the Waters for handling all of the breakfast duties. “GREAT JOB”

The Cobb house parties this year was certainly enjoyed by all as numerous people told me how much they enjoyed the hospitality, food and comradery. Many thanks to those who open their homes to host a house party and going the extra mile to make our out of town guests feel welcome.

Thanks to: Jennifer and Bill Turner, Amy and Gary White, Jan and Jim Rishel, Julie Chanatry

UCC house parties are a unique thing we do at the Cobb and the Mitchell that our out of town guests always say is one of the many reasons why they enjoy coming to Utica. If anyone would like to host a house party for next year’s Cobb, please let Knyoca know that you may be interested.

Dominick and Rhonda raised the bar again this year for Friday night banquet with three carving stations and a mountain of salad. The food was great all weekend. Dominick mentioned to me that it was a hungry bunch this year. But we all know nobody goes hungry with Dominick’s portions. Thanks again to Rhonda and Dominick and their crew.

A special thanks to the mix committee and all others that contributed countless time and energy in making this year’s Cobb a roaring success.

It was an all Utica – Utica/Michigan A final. Congratulations to (Utica 4) Eric Krumme’s team for an excellent weekend of curling.

Thanks to all who contributed and participated in this year’s Cobb.

Conrad and Knyoca Law
Cobb Chairs
2017 Cobb Results

A Event (President’s Bowl)  Utica 4 Erich Krumme, Melissa Foote, John Spicer, Audrey Foote

Runner-up: (Curler’s Cooler): Michigan Brian Moore, Carol Jones, Dale Jones, Marj Moore

B Event (Silver Tassie) Winner: Utica 7 Bryn Davis, Dave Palazzoli, Liz Kaido, Patrick Helbach

Runner-up: Manotick 1 Wes Suchorab, Karen Bradley, Ken Robichaud, Cindy Robichaud

C Event (Ice Box) Winner: Utica 2 Joyce Shaffer, Brad Anderson, Sue Gardner, Sean Lanigan

Runner-up: UNO Heidi Reusch, Dave Cragnolin, Barb Felice, Kevin Carter

D Event (Friendship Trophy) Petersham Paul Breault, Aliza Breault, Jeff Tallman, Tina Tallman

Runner-up: Utica 8 Mike Kessler, Anne Stuhlman, Kevin Stevens, Karen Rogowski

E Event Winner: Burlington 2 Bob Mahon, Kim O’Malley, Mike Abramson, Debbie Stuart

Runner-up: RCMP 2 Marc Bourguignon, Diana Mackay, Kevin Mackay, Isabelle Lachaine

F Event Winner: Nutmeg Ed Scimia, Kelsey Schuder, Brian Tulley, Elizabeth Brown

Runner-up: Brockville Karen Mahon, Bob Jordan, Colleen Quinn Jordan, Brian Lawless
2017 Mixed Championships

Congratulations to all of the 2017 Mixed Championship event winners and runners up. Team Sewell once again won the coveted Skip’s Mace as repeat winners of the 2016 “A” Event. Following is the list of the winners and runners up in this year’s event.

A Event Winners (Skip’s Mace)
Billy Sewell, Michelle MacEnroe, Gary White, M.J. Walsh
Runners Up: (Searle Pitcher) Joyce Schaffer, Brad Anderson, Sue Gardner, Sean Lanigan

B Event Winners (Rose Bowl)
Scott Lent, Marena Taverne, Israel Acosta, Carrie Casab
Runners Up: Bryn Davis, Charlie Schatz, Liz Kaido, Patrick Helbach

C Event Winners (Mixed Committee Plate)
Erich Krumme, Melissa Foote, John Spicer, Audrey Foote
Runners Up: Conrad Law, Brenda Citriniti, Phil Citriniti, Knyoca Law

D Event Winners (Haase Trophy)
Bob Caine, Donna Caleo, Howie Feldman, Erlene Puleo
Runners Up: Brian Moore, Carol Jones, Dale Jones, Marj Moore

We had a full field and everyone who signed up was able to be on a team. Special thanks to all of the Mixed Committee members, curlers and staff who helped make this year’s bonspiel a success. High praise was given to Beth Pappalardo for the wonderful work she did on the beautifully decorated dishes and wine decanters that served as prizes for the event winners.
Team DeGironimo captures 2017 Empire State Bonspiel

Can you say “4peat!!

Lis DeGironimo skip, Cindy Brown, Barb Felice and Kathy Palazzoli captured their 4th consecutive Empire State Bonspiel championship at the Rochester Curling Club January 19-22.

The A Event was an all Utica final as the game was played against Michelle MacEnroe skip, MJ Walsh, Dee Phohl and Melon Sofinski subbing for Julie Chanatry. The A final was close throughout with team DeGironamo up 1 without the hammer coming home in the 8th and stole 1 to win 8-6! It was a hard fought game with great shots by both teams.

Joyce Schafer’s team of Susan Williams, Sue Gardner and Jan Rischel were runner up in the D Event The Schenectady Cup.

The UCC was also represented by Brenda Citriniti skip, Knoyca Law, Becky Schewe and Kim Acosta as well as Melon Sofinski skip, Beth Pappalardo, Jen Turner and Bernie DiMeo.

Congratulations to all on great curling, great friendship and great memories.

The Utica Curling Club will host next years Empire State Bonspiel January 18-21, 2018.
Learn to Curl

February - a busy month for our Learn To Curl program. Our biggest event ever was held on February 15 when our neighbors ICON came over for a LTC event. We had approximately 106 people come to the club with 74 people on the ice learning to curl and having a terrific time. This extraordinary event could not have happen without the 24 volunteers who came forward and provided this memorable experience on and off the ice for our neighbors.

Thank you so much to Fred Hicks, Dan Reed, Barb Felice, Mellon Sofinski, Bob Burnett, Doreen Hayes, Mike Krumme, Mike DiMeo, Mike Hurd, Jim and Barb Revenaugh, Bill Krause, John and Peggy Caneen, John Davis, Ben Gaetano, Bill and Jennifer Turner, Mary Boak, Neil Bidwell, Jerry Stevens, Jacquelyn Schmidt, Becky Kick and Peggy Rotton.

In addition to the above, we hosted a private party on February 4 and on February 19 we had the Boy Scouts from Taberg and 5 students from Cooperstown HS. This was the second visit for the Boy Scouts and they are already looking forward to next year. The Cooperstown students came to us because their PE teacher gave them assignment to research a sport and then they had to play the sport with pictures/video providing proof they played. These wise young women chose curling. A very special thank you to Blake for all his help in teaching and playing along with them. They were all smiles (Blake is adorable!), having a wonderful time and thrilled that they made the right decision to research curling.

On February 27, Strategic Financial Service is returning to the club for their second LTC. On February 24, Michelle Kelly from MVCC will be bringing several student for a LTC outing. This is their second LTC event with us - perhaps we can get them to form a team!

You can reach me via e-mail at bzimeo527@gmail.com, or home 315-733-6905 or cell 315-796-9164 if you would like to volunteer for a Learn to Curl event.

Bernadette
PROPOSAL OF CHANGE: Utica Curling Club Bylaws
(to be presented and voted upon at the annual membership meeting)

Proposer: Roger Rowlett, Vice President

Rationale: Article VII.2 of the Utica Curling Club Bylaws stipulates that Trial (first-year) members must pay the full dues for membership unless starting after January 1, in which case dues will be pro-rated. There is no provision for pro-rating dues for Trial (first-year) members who wish to try curling for the first half of the season. Many new curlers are reluctant to pay $310 to try a sport they don’t yet know they will like or be able to perform. It is proposed we create flexibility to allow new members to join as a trial (first-year) member for the first half only, for a pro-rated fee ($150 suggested) in order to enhance membership recruiting. The idea is to get folks into the club as a full member for the 1st half (where they can take advantage of curling school, for example), experience the fun and camaraderie of curling, and retain them for the second half, when they would remit the remainder of their annual membership fee. In 2017-2018 and 2018-2019, this introductory membership would be marketed as “$150 for 150” to coincide with our sesquicentennial membership drive.

Current bylaws language for Article VII.2: Prorated Dues: Every Trial member (Class 13) shall pay trial membership fees as stipulated in the Dues Schedule. In the event that an application for Trial membership is submitted after January 1st, the trial membership fee shall be pro-rated accordingly.

Proposed new language for Article VII.2: Prorated Dues: Trial members (Class 13) may elect to join for one half of the season only, in which case the trial membership dues shall be pro-rated appropriately.
Instructor’s Corner
Roger Rowlett

What does it take to be a good skip?
—Ivana Beewun

In previous articles we have discussed the roles of the lead, second and third on a curling team. What skills are required of a skip? I have mixed feelings about skipping. I’ve often said that “skipping is almost like curling.” The role of the skip is very different from every other position on a curling team. Unlike the other curling positions, the skip does not sweep stones down the ice, and does not during the game interact closely with team-mates except the third. Most shots are vicariously experienced through placement of the broom and sweep calls. It is a strangely lonely yet challenging curling position with (typically) the enormous responsibility of throwing the last two stones of the end. The skip of a team plays many roles.

**Strategist**
The skip must be first and foremost a master strategist. Good strategy enables your team to nearly always win when you out-curl the opposition. Bad strategy requires your team to curl twice as good to achieve half as much. If you want to skip, you need to study and employ good curling strategy to get the most out of your team. Strategy is more than just calling the next shot—that’s really tactics—strategy is having an overall plan for the end and calling the kinds of shots that help achieve that plan. Just as important, a good strategist needs to know when to bail when the plan is going off the rails.

The best way to learn strategy is to carefully observe how a good skip you play for calls a game, and ask questions after (not during!) the game. If your club offers instructional opportunities in curling strategy take advantage of them. Another way is to learn from an experienced third in a developmental or beginning skips league, but to get the most out of this avenue you need to be ready to accept and perform the other roles of a skip...

**Team Manager and Leader**
This might be the most important role of a skip. A skip is by definition the team leader, and must lead by example. Successful skips are remarkably patient, resilient in the face of adversity, and inspire confidence in teammates. If the skip isn’t panicking when things are bleak, it’s likely that your teammates won’t, either. The most successful skips wear the same game face whether they are up 3 or down 3. As a skip, you will have to employ selective amnesia...
when you miss a critical shot, and be mentally prepared to make your next one. As a skip, you will have to pick up your team when they have had a bad end by making a crucial draw or hit to score or limit damage. In most games, a skip will normally have to pick up the pieces and salvage an end at least 1-2 times per game, even on a good team. If you are not comfortable in this role, or expect your team to never leave you in this situation, you are not ready to skip. Being the leader means that the buck stops with you, like it or not.

A good skip is also a great team manager. This doesn’t mean being a boss—that’s an entirely different attitude. A team manager knows how to get the most out of teammates by playing to their strengths, and showing confidence in their abilities. This is really important in club curling, where not every player on your team has honed all of their curling skills. For example, if you have a player that is not consistent hitting the broom on hits outside the 4-foot, then you must accept as a skip the responsibility to figure out the right inside-out ice for routine hits so your player has a better chance of making the shot. If you have a player that struggles with precise draw weight, you might not want to give them a steady diet of precision freezes, but rather choose an alternative, higher tolerance shot instead. If you have a good hitting team, don’t force them to play a draw-fest, come-around game. (In this situation, maybe an open game would suit your team’s skills better.) If you have a player that has a better in-turn than out-turn, you should consider employing the preferred turn whenever possible for critical shots. If you can call a shot in such a way that the likely miss leads to a reasonably good result, then you need to figure out how to do that. Helping your teammates play better is a key trait of a good skip, and requires that you have good knowledge of your teammates’ skill sets. However, it is just as important to trust your teammates to step up to the plate on occasion. When you get the opportunity—perhaps when you have a substantial lead or when you are forced to play a certain shot regardless—have confidence in your players to make shots they need to get better at, and reinforce them when they make those shots. Success can breed confidence, which breeds success...

**Ice Reader**

Skips must become adept at reading the ice. In practice, this means remembering the amount of curl to expect on every part of the sheet (both turns) for both draws and takeouts, and updating that information as the game progresses and the ice changes. Skips must have a good memory! (Except of course when they need to forget their last shot.) Skips must also be good at calling line. This means learning how to recognize the break point on draws and hits, and anticipating curl before it happens. If there is an oversimplified rule of sweeping, it is that you often need to sweep before you think you do.

**Shotmaker**

Ironically, skips don’t normally have to make the most difficult shots. But those
shots that skips do attempt, they need to make consistently. Typically skips will have to be proficient at drawing the 4-foot, making hit-and-stick shots on open rocks, and throwing the occasional guard. If you are throwing a lot of runback doubles or angle-raise takeouts as skip, you might need to go back and review the strategy and team management sections! Skips normally throw mostly routine shots, but need to make them a high percentage of the time. The old adage, “if you can’t draw, you can’t skip,” is close to the truth. The draw to the 4-foot is the one shot every skip need to have in their arsenal, and is probably the most common shot skips will throw to save an end, or to score an extra point. If you are still the player that will hit shot stone in the 12-foot rather than draw to the 8-foot, then you may not be ready to throw skip rocks. If you want to skip, perfect the routine shots: draws, hits, and guards. The circus shots are a rarely employed bonus shot.

**When is one ready to skip?**

There is no magic formula to decide when to jump into skipping a team. However, to enjoy success as a skip, one must be able to confidently throw accurate draws, open hits, and guards. These shots are those that you will learn and can master while playing lead or second. If you can’t make a relatively high percentage of your skip rocks, you won’t win many games. If you can master this kind of routine shot-making, then you may be ready to jump into the skipping world, where you can begin to hone your strategic and ice-reading skills. You can develop some understanding of strategy and tactics with off-ice study, but ice-reading will come with experience. You will know when you have graduated from a novice to veteran skip when you no longer fear throwing the last rock, but rather want the rock in your hands to make the winning shot.

Good curling!

Have a question for Instructor’s Corner?
Send an email to curlschool@uticacurlingclub.org
Happenings

Anne Dickenson Jennings Burchesky, 96, wife of the late Dr. Robert Burchesky passed away peacefully Tuesday evening February 21, 2017 at Sunrise Senior Living, Upper St. Clair, Pennsylvania where she had resided since 2013.

Mrs. Burchesky was born in Johnson City, Tennessee of parents Stephen Richard Jennings Sr. and Eva Dickenson Jennings. Mrs. Burchesky attended East Tennessee State University and was proudly employed with the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters in Washington D.C. as the first FBI female lab photographer during WW II under Director J. Edgar Hoover. She met a young dental student at Georgetown University and fell in love. Anne married Robert Zenon Burchesky of Herkimer, New York a year later in 1944 in Johnson City, TN. Upon Dr. Burchesky's discharge from the army they and their son Kenneth moved to Utica, New York in 1948 and had three more children; Stephen, Douglas and Carole.

While Mrs. Burchesky lived in Utica and New Hartford, NY from 1948 until 2002, she was active in many organizations and served as president/treasurer/volunteer of many clubs and organizations including; Welcome Wagon Newcomers Club, Wives of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Utica Genetaska, Wives of the Kiwanis Club, Wives of the Utica Dental Society, First Presbyterian Church of Utica, St. Lukes Hospital Auxiliary, Republicans 100,000 Club of Oneida County, NY, Oneida Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.), New Hartford Library, Munson William Proctor Museum, Oneida County Historical Society, YWCA, St. Lukes Hospital Volunteers, Volunteer Heart Fund Drives, Meals On Wheels, Central Association for the Blind, 1950-President Welcome Wagon Newcomers Club, Junior Chamber Wives, Women's' Auxiliary to Utica Dental Society, New York State Dental Auxiliary, Children's Community Theatre, Senior President Children of the American Revolution Society, Hugh R. Jones School P.T.A., United States Women's Curling Association, Senior Ladies Curling Club International (SLICCS), Utica Curling Club Glengaries president, co-founded The Debonair's ball room dancing club and was, along with her husband, a honorary life-time member of the Utica Curling Club of Utica, New York.
After Anne and Robert moved to Canonsburg in 2002, she, along with Bob, became a member of the Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church. Anne was also a member of the Canonsburg Hospital Auxiliary, TWIGS Bridge Club, Canonsburg Library Book Club, and Bethel Park Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution.

Along with her husband and the entire family, Anne loved the sport of curling so much that, at age 96 and in a wheelchair, she was given the honor to ‘throw out the first rock’ for the Burchesky-founded curling club; New Pond Curling Club of Walpole, MA. The event was held at the Pittsburgh Curling Club’s 2016 Tropicurl. The four-generation team included her son Doug Burchesky, her grandsons Kyle Burchesky and Sean Burchesky, her granddaughter Jenna and her great granddaughter Noa Burchesky. More recently, Anne learned that her granddaughter Jenna Rose was representing the USA in the World Junior Curling Championships currently being held in Gangneung, South Korea. She was able to view a video of Jenna curling when the USA team scored a remarkable ‘6-ender’ against Japan. With a smile of total satisfaction, she softly clapped her hands and then blew a kiss towards Jenna; It was priceless.

Also surviving are her children and extended family; Son, Dr. Kenneth M. Burchesky (Janet Chickering) and granddaughter Seah Chickering-Burchesky, of Lyndonville, VT; Son, Stephen Richard Burchesky (Bonita Linder), grandson, Michael Zenon Burchesky and granddaughter, Natalie Linder Burchesky all of Canonsburg; Son, R. Douglas Burchesky (Jane), grandson, Sean Edward Burchesky, granddaughter, Jenna Rose Burchesky, grandson, Kyle Richard Burchesky (Adrianne Zahner) and great granddaughter, Noa Zahner Burchesky all of Walpole, MA; Daughter, Carole Burchesky Starr (Gary Vineyard) of Nashville, TN; Nephews; Frederic H. Brandt, Johnson City, TN and George F. Brandt Jr., (Susan) Nashville, TN; nieces, Eve Jennings Sherwood, Johnson City, TN; and Anne Jennings Arnstrom (Scott) of Minneapolis, MN; 1st cousins; Adelaide Jennings Smith (Frisby) Wytheville, VA, Florence Wofford Liddell (Roger), NYC, NY, Gail Jennings Wofford (Al) NYC, NY; Charles Raymond Jennings Jr., Lodi, CA; and many great nieces and nephews. Predeceased family members are; sisters Rosalie Jennings Brandt King and Evelyn Dickenson Jennings, brother Stephen Richard
Jennings Jr. (Virginia) all of Johnson City, TN.; Kenneth William Sherwood of Johnson City, TN; and granddaughter KathleenAnne Burchesky of Canonsburg, PA.

Anne always taught her children "Honesty is the best policy" and only wanted to be remembered as 'a loving mother of four children'.

The Burchesky family wishes to thank the following caregivers; Strabane Woods, Washington, PA; Loraine Koval of Washington, PA; Dr. Lynne Taiclet and the UPMC Special Needs Dental Clinic staff; Pam Walker, Director of Pastoral Care of Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church; Gateway Hospice, Gallagher Hospice and the wonderful staff of Sunrise Senior Living for the gentle and loving care given to her over the past several years.

Charitable donations may be made to the "Pittsburgh Curling Club", PO Box 16095 Pittsburgh, PA 15242 in the memory of Bob and Anne Burchesky.

Friends are welcome from 2~4 & 6~8 PM on Monday, February 27, 2017 in Salandra Funeral and Cremation Services, Inc., Joseph P. Salandra, owner/supervisor, 304 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, 724-745-8120. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church, 112 West Pike Street, Canonsburg. EVERYONE PLEASE MEET AT THE CHURCH. Interment will follow at St. Patrick Cemetery in Canonsburg.
Congratulations to Dave Schroeder and Kathy Burns on their engagement!
Always check the website calendar for all changes, updates, and additions!

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