President’s Message
Duane Farr

Hi everyone,

First and foremost a Big Thanks to all the members of the club for all of your combined efforts that make our club as wonderful and great as it is. Special thanks to: Carol Jones for all the time, devotion, and leadership she has given us over the last two years; Jim Gleason for the best ice; and Dan Bariss for his much needed help in the kitchen.

A hearty welcome to new officers and Board members:
Fred Hicks Vice President
Denise Fusco Secretary
Carl Thomas Board Member
John Jacob Assistant to President

We are at the end of another curling season and before everyone goes their separate ways for the summer I would like to ask you to do a couple of things for the club.

The first thing is: don’t forget curling until next fall. We need all of our members to be promoters of curling all year long. The number one best way to build our membership is by word of mouth from our own members. Please give us the names of anyone you feel may want to try curling. You can forward to me or better yet to Ed Revere because he is our new membership chair. You can contact him best on his cell phone 272-3254 or by email at edcoldwell@yahoo.com.
(These are not in the roster so please make a note of them)

The other thing is that the club needs your help. What really makes our club great are all the members that volunteer and share the work that it takes to run it. I would love to have our members working on what they would like to do for the club and not necessarily what they are asked to do. Listed below are the major areas that need volunteers.

College Curling
House
Junior Program
Information Data
Membership/Marketing
Wheelchair Curling
Corporate Events
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Club Survey

Greenhorn League
Ice
Little Rockers
Instruction/Education
Promotion/Publicity
Adult Education
Mortgage Burning
Fund Raising
Sponsorships

Please let me know if you can serve your club on any of the above committees or in any other capacity that you would like to serve in the club. I can be reached at 733-8498 or email at dfarr@adelphia.net.

The board will be meeting over the spring and summer months so if anyone has any concerns please forward them to me.

Have a great summer.

Past President’s Message:
A Year in Review
Carol Jones

The 2003-2004 season was a year for re-energizing our volunteers after last year’s fantastic USCA National’s effort, focusing on our fiscal status and goals, and setting a foundation to build a stronger club for the future.

Your board has been hard at work on initiatives that will either 1) bring in potential new members and retain existing members which will grow the club and grow our revenue base, or 2) bring in large revenue streams to make the volunteer time worth their while. The scope of these projects is large, and the work has just begun. The new members we have this year are some of the most enthusiastic and dedicated we’ve seen and are already committed to helping market and grow the club next year. Event committees and chairs have also worked extremely hard to keep costs in line, and their efforts HAVE resulted in the 1st year we’ve operated in the black without a national event to add to the coffers.

Meanwhile, as we plan and build for tomorrow, we have debts and bills for today. We have held the dues flat for the last five years. And, as distasteful as increases are for anything outside of our personal incomes, retirement funds or stock values, we found it necessary to ask you to consider an increase in your dues for the upcoming year. This increase is far less than was first considered thanks to the hard work of committees throughout the year, but the small increase now will help to make certain major increases are not required in the future.

It has been a challenging and very rewarding term, and I have received as much as I have given from this Presidency. You could not have bestowed a greater honor on me than allowing me to serve as President of the Utica Curling Club. Thank you.

Oops !! Oops !!
An apparent need for a formal retraction...
The Prizespiel was actually won by the "Coconuts" which was a team comprised of Gary Fountian, Gloria Capelli, Sue Fountian, and Joan Dewar. Apologies are extended to those who were not accurately named in the original report of the results of the event.

Alarm Alarm Alarm !
Please note that AFTER MAY 1st, the door combination will be changed and the alarm system set. If you need entry to the club over the summer, please call Duane Farr first!
I am really looking forward to being the president of the Glengarry for the next two years. I hope to perpetuate both the history and future of curling. Our club has rich history, Anne Burchesky wrote a wonderful book at the time of the Glengarry 50th Anniversary year and we are getting in touch with Anne to see if we can purchase more of them and make them available at the Kiltey Korner. We are also ordering Glengarry patches, which we have been out of for a number of years, and which I might add, was a request from some of our newest curling women. We have five-year-and-under curlers on our executive committee as well as "seasoned" curlers and I look forward to working with each and every one of you.

To all of the Glengarrys: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your president.

Two Honorary Members Named

It is intent of the members of the Utica Curling Club, through Honorary Membership, to honor and commemorate individuals who have through action and deed made exceptional contributions to the growth and welfare of the club, and to recognize those who have made extraordinary effort in the promotion of good fellowship and friendly competition through the sport of Curling. The by-laws of the Utica Curling Club allow its Board of Directors to elect by unanimous vote honorary life members. This year the Board of Directors recognized and unanimously elected Dr. William Rotton and Peggy Rotton as honorary life members. Congratulations to Bill and Peggy and thank you for your years of contributions to the club!

From Peggy and Bill Rotton

We wish to thank the Board of Directors for selecting us to Honorary Life membership in the Utica Curling Club. It is the supreme honor in this club.

We also wish to thank the members of the Utica Curling Club, past and present, for their friendship and support through the years. This has always encouraged us to give something back to curling, winters would seem much longer than they are.

Thank you for this honor you have given to us.

Happy Hour 2004

Gary and Susan Fountain, chairs

The Pink Squirrels went nuts after defeating the Salty Dogs who bolted ahead 7 1/2 points past the Screwdrivers who stung the Stingers in a previous game after going head to head with the Harvey Wallbangers who pounded the Rusty Nails two weeks earlier. What's this all about? It's the finals of Happy Hour and the winners are the Pink Squirrels team: Eric Haase, Skip, Doreen Hayes 3rd, Don Barrett 2nd, Carla Barrett Lead. Was this a great time? We'll drink to that!

Dykes!

Crusade A Success. Platt Rink Captures Dykes Trophy in Family Affair

- by Pete Ciarrilli

It's been a long year since the Francis Dykes Trophy rested in the home of the Utica Curling Club, but no longer. Thanks to skip Mike Platt, third brother Tom Platt, Jr., second father Tom Platt and lead Doug Smith (no relation) who went 5-0 at the Francis Dykes Bonspiel for five year and under men held at Nashua, New Hampshire, February 5-8. The last time UCA won the Dykes Trophy was in 1994 when a team consisting of skip Dave Palozzoli, third Pete Ciarrili, second Jim Gleason and lead Steves Devlin captured the coveted prize at Petersham.

Team Platt forced stiff competition in the 28 team field with several of these games decided on last rocks however, the most dramatic and daunting situation the team faced was in the finals Belfast lead 10-7 with the hammer going into the 10th end, but a crucial steal of the three stunned the Belfast Rink and shocked the crowd. A tension packed 11th end mesmerized the audience with both teams making clutch shots throughout the end. Skip Mike Platt made a great hit and roll to the button. Now, faced with an end which would eventually see 14 rocks in play and eight in or nearly touching the four foot, the Belfast skip had several options. He decided to draw and push back the stone. However, his last rock brushed the guard giving Utica the trophy and team Platt a place in curling history.
Quote of the Month
Mike Platt who gave credit to his championship Dykes team for curling wonderfully all weekend long, noted that they were particularly exceptional in the extra end of the finals. “In that end, as team we curled 100. The way Belfast was curling in the 11th, if anyone missed a shot at any time we would have lost the match. The best part of the thing though was Tom and I winning it with our father. That was just great.”

We're Having A Garage Sale!!!
The Utica Glengarryes are going to have a garage sale in September. Probably on the weekend of the 17th, 18th, and 19th. We are only in the just-starting-to-plan stage but we wanted to take this opportunity to let everyone know about it so you or your friends and family (we’ll take it from wherever we can get it!) can start saving your “stuff”. Keep in mind that we have 501c3 so anything you donate is tax deductible. I know I have lots and lots of “stuff” I am looking forward to getting out of my house. Remember - one person's trash is another person's treasure!!!

Daytime Ladies Curling
Joyce Shaffer, June Balduf
Daytime ladies curling ran with four (4) teams each competition. And the winners were: Roemer, Joyce Shaffer, skip; Brenda Card, Mary Hopsicker, Marty Jones Mary Clark; Nancy Owens, skip; Peg Rotton, Doreen Hayes, Marty Jones Scottie: Marty Jones, skip; Mickey Haase, Donna Evans, Peg Rotton

Help Needed: Anyone who can help make broom covers for participants in the Empire State Bonspiel 2006 being held at the UCC, please call Joyce at 735-0433. We need help to cut material and sew broom covers. This will be a 2004 Summer project at Joyce's house.

Patti Lank wins National Title, Represents US at World’s
Patti Lank is not new to US and World competitions, but Patti is new to the Utica Curling Club. Though Patti could most likely have her pick of any curling club, Patti elected to be a member of the Utica Curling Club the past two years. Living in Lewiston, NY, she hasn’t had an opportunity to play leagues here, but has played our ice in competitions in the past. Her achievement on Utica ice include US Mixed Nationals runner up in 1995, Women’s Olympic Qualifier Winner 2001, and US Women’s Nationals runner up in 2003. Patti’s major accomplishments include US Women’s Nationals in 1997, 1999, 2002, and 2004 and World’s Silver Medalist in 1999. We wish all the best at the World’s, which will take place April 17-24 in Gävle, Sweden. You can follow Patti’s games on the USCA website.

Good Bye - Mark
Congratulations to Mark Tucker for being named Head Golf Professional at Cazenovia Country Club in Cazenovia NY. Mark was offered the head job at Cazenovia. He began his duties there immediately.

Thank you to Mark for all his efforts and dedication to our club. They are greatly appreciated.

Congratulations, Mark!

The 2004 UCC Glengarry Challenge, or the Silver Teapot Caper
Cindy Ciocarli

It was a foggy and rainy afternoon, I was sitting in my office with my feet up cleaning my broom and waiting for my secretary to bring my coffee. He is a clumsy oaf with a tight bulging tee shirt and great legs. Suddenly, a knock at the door. By the shadow on the dirty glass, I could see it was no ordinary curler. I opened the door slowly with my broom ready to shoot if needed. Then she walked in. Hi, she whispered in a low voice, I’m Peggy Rotton, my friends call me Peg, and you can call me Mrs. Rotton. Make sure you pronounce it correctly. I knew right then she was trouble with a capital T. She told me she discovered this old teapot in an abandoned WWII knapsack left behind by her uncle who disappeared under suspicious circumstances in Belgium in 1941 later discovered dancing in a chorus line in Paris, but that’s another story.

She wanted the teapot to become the top award for the Women’s Championship, to be played off in three days. I was intrigued, I could have hit her over the head and claimed the teapot right then, but I wouldn’t get the satisfaction of ripping it from her bleeding hands after pummeling her on the ice.

So we went to the mattresses. The dinner and snacks between games were plentiful and delicious, but there was some serious curling ahead. The ten-team round-robin tournament left many victims dead on the sidelines, some playing back-to-back-to-back games. The ice was quick and true, the stones flew, many were beaten as the teams played on. Their spent carcasses littered the rink sheets. The survivors battled valiantly until two teams remained, two undefeated teams in the first event, nose-to-nose, matching shots a well as “shots” if you know what I mean.

Then, the bagpipes shrieked.

The finals were a gun-smoke blur of takeouts and draws. When the smoke cleared, the Brown Yellow jackets were victorious over the suspiciously skilful Giovannone family, rumored to be connected with the Teflon-Dom himself. They’ll be back next year, guns ready. Team Brown is likely to find a horse-head in their bed, if you get my drift.

Congrats to winners Cindy Brown, Kathy Palazzoli, Cindy Ciocarli and Barb Felice, Alicia Giovannone, Elva Cortright, Mary Sexton and Judy Giovannone, who were the runners-up, also turned in a great job. Many first year and five-and under curlers played very well. This event now in its second revival year, will get better and better.

Now if somebody would just “take care” of the piper.
Marie Cobb Mixed
Brian and Marj Moore

APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE! — The Hollywood Curling Awards Bonspiel has come and gone but the memories remain.

It was a great weekend! The Marie Cobb Mixed is still clearly “the” mixed bonspiel in the GNCC. Six teams were totally new to the bonspiel this year and they have apparently gone back home and spread the word. Inquiries since February have garnered more names/email addresses than ever, which bodes well for next year.

In an important note to the club’s fiscal bottom line, this year’s event was the most profitable Mixed Bonspiel ever. The bonspiel itself netted $2,000 and thanks to the sponsorship Seahorse Travel provided, another $2,400 was earned from the vacation raffle for a total profit of $4,400. The theme donations from Video to Roll (Chuck DelMonte) and Clips (Shelley DelMonte) along with the many, many other donations from members all added up to save us money or to generate new revenues we would not have otherwise seen.

Thanks to one and all for your time and special talents!
Marl and Brian Moore, Marie Cobb Mixed Invitational Bonspiel Chairs

Team Jacon Victorious at the Five Year and Under Women’s Challenge

Camp Wanna-Curl opened its doors to 24 teams for the GNCC to compete in the 14th Annual Women’s Challenge. A fine representation of clubs was present for a wonderful weekend of curling and good old camp fun.

The juniors on Sunday matched Skip Laura Jacon’s team, Ann Stuhlmann Vice, Terri Sullivan Second, and Karen Rogowski Lead against a Broomstone’s rink skipped by Sharon Cutter. Laura called a great game and all the members of the team executed their shots in an exciting victory.

The D final was won by Cheri Gabel’s rink, Eileen Pens Third, Cyndi Wydish Second, and Betsy Minutti Lead. They too were playing a veteran Broomstone’s rink. This game was very exciting as the Gabel team battled back to force an extra end. With the momentum turned and a key shot executed by Eileen and a wonderful sweeping call by Cheri, the team came out the victor.

A fifth event was created this year, one that was based on points. Our own Nancy Owens with her team of Shelley DelMonte, Marje Van Slyke, and Joyce Lyman racked up a winning score to win this first time ever event.

Our out of teams displayed wonderful curling too. Ardsy won the B event and a team from Potomac captured the C. All the women in attendance were extremely complimentary of the ice conditions. This is a true testament to a successful bonspiel. Congratulations again to all the participants and victors!
**Rose Bonspiel and Closing Party 2004**

*Gary and Sue Williams*

The Rose Bonspiel was held March 24-27, 2004. There were 30 teams that competed. The awards went to the following teams:

- Three game high: (36 1/4 pts) Mike Platt, Cherie Gaebel, Tom Platt Jr. & Pam Noti
- Three game runner-up: (34 1/4 pts) Jim Nagy, Julie Chantery, Ryan Brown & Cameo Voltz

Two game high winner (34 1/4 pts) Pete Caralli, Cindy Brown, George Brown, & Cindy Caralli

Two game high runner-up (33 1/2 pts) Mike DeGironimo, Lis DeGironimo, Dan Bareiss, & Clare Bareiss

One game high winner (25 1/4 pts) Jim Dell’Anno, Donna Caleo, Chuck Delmonte, & Shelly DelMonte

One game high runner-up (24 1/4 pts) Dale Jones, Carol Jones, Ed Revere & Lisa Magnarelli

*Note: First year curlers names are in bold print.*

The Closing Party Dinner was attended by 143 participants. Dan Bareiss and his team of "pros" served a delicious meal. We were treated to a very special feast. After dinner and awards an honorary membership was given to Peg and Bill Rotten. The Rottens were totally surprised, and used the opportunity to sell a few more wheel chair curling pins. The Boerger's then told the story of Jack and Ann Rose, a lesson in generosity and caring for your fellow man.

The program ended with the drawing of the $1,200 vacation. It was a little disappointing that the winner was not present, yet it is good to know that our club is supported by a wide circle of curlers.

The evening continued with dancing and partying.

Thanks goes to Linda Robinson for arranging the flowers, all the people that brought hot d'oeuvres, the many people that helped with checking the math on the score cards, Patty and Stephanie at the bar, Duane Farr for making bar arrangement, and Cindy Kelly for taking pictures. Thanks also to Colleen and Melon for setting the table, Betsy and rich Manutti for serving the Toddy Bowl, Tom Plan for spinning the CD's for dancing and any one else that might have been missed.

In addition, thanks also to Jim Gleason and his crew for preparing the ice and of course Dan Bareiss, his family and crew for all the delicious food.

A good time was had by all!

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### Hollywood 2004

#### Marie Cobb Mixed Bonspiel Results

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| Event Runner-up: Broomstones 1| Dayton Neil, skip |
| (Aruba)                       | Hutchinson, Jamie |
|                               | Paul Sofulis |
|                               | Emily Neill |
|                               | Judy Little |
|                               | Paul LaTour |
|                               | Lenore Collins |

| Event Runner-up: Broomstones 3 | Leo Holewa, skip |
| (Utica 9)                      | Cay Lodine |
| (Burlington)                   | Phil Lodine |
|                               | Kathy Holewa |
|                               | Brian Moore, skip |
|                               | Carol Jones |
|                               | Dale Jones |
|                               | Marj Moore |
|                               | Steve Sawell, skip |
|                               | Stella Kuehn |
|                               | Dave Schroeder |
|                               | Kim Overbaugh |
|                               | Don Knapp, skip |
|                               | Lis DeGironimo |
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|                               | Cheri Gaebel |
|                               | Jeff Lesuk, skip |
|                               | Robin Gastring |
|                               | Chris Banino |
|                               | Sandy Graham |
|                               | Jim Dell'Anno, skip |
|                               | Marianne Clark |
|                               | Tom Luker |
|                               | Donna Caleo |
|                               | Don Ellis, skip |
|                               | Nancy Ellis |
|                               | Marty Finan |
|                               | Janet Finan |
|                               | Derek Surka, skip |
|                               | Charrissa Lin |
|                               | Nathan Annis |
|                               | Mary McHugh |
|                               | Scott Silverman, skip |
|                               | Alice Yeh |
|                               | Mark Bussy |
|                               | Sue Bussy |

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### The Five Year and under Women's Challenge

(A final note from the Camp Director)

*Dear Staff, Curlers, and Camp Community,*

The Women's Challenge was a success thanks to all your hard work. Thank you to the wonderful committee of Barb Felice, Gloria Petrie, Lis DeGironimo, Cindy Kelly, Jo Loughlin, and Melon Sajfinski. Your efforts behind the scenes were outstanding.

To the ice crew a special thank you! All the fun events the ladies enjoyed off the ice could not compare to the joy each experienced playing on such fine ice. The committee thanks you for your tireless effort in ensuring such fine ice quality.

Our event was extra special because of the quality of the camp cuisine. Dan Bareiss and his army of volunteers provided us with one incredible meal after another. To Dan and staff, thank you for thinking of so many details to make all the participants feel at home. The committee wishes to especially thank all the waiters who made the banquet so memorable.

Thank you to the Glengarries for the awesome out pouring of appetizers for our opening party. A special thanks to all others who helped behind the scenes with helping the event to run so successfully.

A note of thanks also goes to the Utica Women who fourteen years ago pursued the idea of creating a five year and under event. Without their vision and the patronage of Peggy Rotten and Gwen Krallo, the Women's Challenge would not exist. This event has truly grown into a much anticipated bonspiel for women. It was my pleasure to work with all you. I am now going back into retirement but taking with me so many wonderful camp memories. Thanks again!

Sincerely, Munch (Cindy)
From The Broom Hildas' -

For the 2004-2005 season we think we will hold to the 15th of each month as deadlines. The first call Curlogram will define dates after a Board decision.

The Broom Hilda's really appreciated your help this past season. We hope the Curlogram served to keep you well informed and we will gladly make any corrections or additions necessary! A special thanks to Peg Tuttle for her work in mailing each curlogram.

If possible - and deeply appreciated... please send your news items typed or neatly written on letter size paper so we can use the fax, and as uncreased as possible. If you wish to fax to Ellen Boerger, please call her in advance.

Please send news items to:

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or

BETTY HURD
8 Knollwood Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413
fax: 797-1584

Thanks for your cooperation. "The Broom Hildas"

Have a Lovely Summer!

Happenings

Congratulations to Chris and Barbara Mazzotta on the birth of a daughter, March 29, 2004.

Robert Rother 

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