

New Hartford Rotary

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The "lost" Club and 4-Way test banners are back in their accustomed places. Tony Tsai had picked them up after they were left at the Ramada Inn on Pancake Day.

Lots of visitors today keeping Carm busy filling coffee cups. Eight were from the Utica Rotary, three from GUS, and good ole' Randy Wilson from Sauquoit, who oddly enough wasn't peddling duck derby tickets (he promised to return for those), but was taking orders for Mother's Day roses!

President Craig introduced prospective new member Phil Szeliga, President of Human Electronics. Phil was invited by secretary and VP elect, Marlene.

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The season is here, the grass is grown, the trees have bloomed, the weather warm.

Once a year we don our clubs, to greens, to fairways, and tees we swarm.

The spirit's begun with a number of foursomes lined up for our **Annual GOLF Outing**. This year, as with many things, the location has changed to Sauquoit, where President Craig played in his first Rotary Golf Outing with past notables as Hy Abrams and John Magnusson.

The golf begins with registration at 12:45 and a shotgun start at 1. The format will be Capt. and Crew with the usual scramble rules, a four drive minimum from each team member, preferred lies (or lies), and a relaxed atmosphere of fun required. The price will be \$45. each including greens fees, carts, and a steak dinner that begins at 6pm. **There will be no noontime meeting on this day**, but we will hold an official meeting at the clubhouse of the **Sulpher Springs Golf Course**, Sulpher Springs Rd., Sauquoit. Dinner only tickets will cost a mere \$14. Any extra funds will benefit the club. There will be a 50-50, a Prowler's Challenge, and skins.

The easiest way there is to travel South on Oneida Street through the Village of Sauquoit, and when you near the school, Sulpher Springs Rd. is a mild right turn up a hill. The course is on the left about .75 miles up.

EVERYONE IS INVITED- BRING FRIENDS,SPOUSES, ANYONE. A BAD DAY ON THE GOLF COURSE IS BETTER THAN A GOOD DAY AT WORK.

A round of applause was given to **Don Urbanke** for organizing a great program last week honoring Jim Simpson for his community efforts- especially America's Greatest Heart Run/Walk.

Pres. Craig reminded us of the Board of Directors Meeting to be held at M. Griffith Inc. at 5:30pm, May 8. A formal request for next year's Board members to attend was made (Frank M., Steve P., Tony T., and Mark W.) to brief them for next year's venue.

Since the Ace of Spades was won last week, only \$19 was available for Randy Wilson and Jeff Gornick to draw for. The \$19 will carry over to next week. Don U., who is the club historian, said he was leafing through past bulletins, and the last time he won a 50/50 was in 1988. Gripe, gripe, gripe.

Three of our newer members gave their classification talks:

Colin Folsom, of the Boys and Girls Club grew up in Alberta, Canada went to college at Provo UN. in Utah, started at the Fulton, N.Y. Boys and Girls Club, and recently came to the New Hartford Club. He lives with his wife and their 8 month old daughter. The NH Boys and Girls Club is for 6 to 18 year olds, starting up slowly, but lots of kids after school now. He gets welcome help from older Honor Society students who mentor the younger ones.

Frank Fazekas is retired from the Griffiss Air Force Base, where he was a USAF Pilot. His step-daughter had a business arranging tours, mainly for High School groups, and Frank got involved on a part-time basis. After about six months, they were so swamped with business that Frank went into it full-time. They now staff three full-time people and two part-timers, and are able to all work out of their homes.

Michael Sportello is the Marketing and Sales manager for the Mohawk Valley Prowlers. Mike, who was a speaker several

weeks ago, left the Army after 7 years due to an injury. He received his degree in marketing recently from SUNY Tech. When you see the Prowler's Mascot- that's Mike inside that costume sweating. He dresses as a mascot, sometimes 2 or 3 times a day for appearances in parades and elsewhere. He is excited about the past and up-coming seasons since the season ticket sales have more than doubled since any previous hockey club.