

New Hartford Rotary

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This week's meeting was called to order with three visiting Rotarians from the Utica Club. John Kogut, Wayne Valaitis and Bart Gorman all broke bread with us and our guest speaker. Although the visitor roster was light, the membership attendance was strong. In last month's attendance report to District, we were well over 70% which is the highest that we've had all year. A pat on the back to all that have made the effort to attend and make-up. A hearty welcome back to **John Lanz** from his Florida respite.

GOLF This Wednesday is our Annual Golf Outing for our club. There will be **NO MEETING AT ALFREDO'S AT NOON**. The official meeting for the day will take place that evening at the Sulpher Springs Golf Club at 7pm. Dinner will be steak with all the fixin's and will be \$14 each. Everyone is welcome, members are expected for an evening of fellowship with spouses, friends and family (no pets, please).

GOLF begins at 12:30-12:45 with registration and starting tee designation made then. We hope to begin at 1pm with a 'shotgun' start, four man scramble-captain and crew, with each foursome playing the best shot into the hole, keeping only one score per team. Each team member will be responsible for at least four 'drives', breaking up the 'long ball hitters'.

To get there, travel south on Oneida St. through Saquoit, and bear right just before the school, up the hill almost a mile and it's on the left. Golf, carts, and dinner costs \$45 with a \$5 skins game that anyone can win! Such a deal. **VP Les** will be canvassing the club to get a head count for the people at Sulpher Springs (Diane Currier's new inlaws).

The Board held it's monthly meeting at M. Griffith Inc. last Monday. An open invitation was extended to the three future board members for next year's Board of Directors. They will be Frank Mondl, Tony Tsai, and Steve Passalacqua. The Board began with the voting on a new member proposal, Phil Szeliga. We also decided what we wanted for the layout of our club directory, a loose leaf design that we had previously, showing photos of members and individual information.

The Youth Exchange was discussed. We will be sponsoring two students from New Hartford that are out-bound next year... Stephanie Espinal and Alan Wilcox. We have a yearly responsibility with our incoming representative from Chile. Her name is Paulna (Pauli) Caruasal and she needs a home for late August until late November. Please make a concerted effort to think of possibles that I can contact, and let me know by phone at 724-3897 or E-mail at Pughrotary@AOL.com and I will contact the interested individual. You do the easy part and I do the leg work, simple enough? She's recieving this document now, and you also can converse with her at: paulina_carvajal@hotmail.com

The Fund Disbursement Committee met this week and the following donations were pledged by them:

\$350.00- Rotary Foundation	\$500.00 Boy Scouts	\$250.00 Rescue Mission
\$300.00- American Red Cross	\$500.00 Hope House	\$500.00 Camp Super Kids
\$250.00- Children's Museum	\$200.00 House of the Good Shepherd	
\$2,000- Houston Scholarship	\$200.00- Family Nuturing Center	
\$250.00-CNY Community Arts Cncl.		

Many thanks to **Ray Garrett, Avenue Chair of the Community Committee** and also to **Chuck Tomeselli** and to **Janet Hoover**, committee members for their work in this decision making process.

Don Urbanke gave us an up-date on one of our charter members, Phil Cooper. Phil's in the second stages of Alzheimer's and is residing at #4, Bennington Health and Rehab Center, 2 Blackberry La., Bennington,

Vt. 05201. Phil has his good days and bad, but had the good sense and love to take his golf clubs with him.

Today's program was sponsored by Diane Currier. Doreen Melchior of the US Census Bureau was with us not only to exemplify the importance of the census and how difficult it is to count the heads in the country. For example, they originally estimated about 1,000 Hispanics living in Amsterdam and after a formal count found out there were closer to 8,000! When your census isn't filled out and sent in, you're automatically put on a secondary list to be chased down later. The count is most important for our area, since State aid is related to it in many areas, and we are in competition with NYC and other downstaters for these funds. Many questions followed and thanks to Diane for the interesting topic.

Don't forget.....keep your head down...slow back swing...hold the club loose....don't over-swing...follow through...if your ball goes into the woods.....fahgheddahboudit....it's a scramble. Fore.