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THE HUNDRED CLUB OF CONNECTICUT'S

# 2006 GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Two Separate Tournaments  
On Two Separate Courses  
Tuesday, August 1, 2006

## TUNXIS PLANTATION COUNTRY CLUB

Directions: Route 84, east or west, Exit 39, Follow Route 4 West,  
take 1st right after Farmington River – Town Farm Road.

**\$125.00 per golfer ...**

includes golf carts, greens fee, lunch & beverage (on course) steak dinner

**\$40.00 per non-golfer ...**

includes lunch & steak dinner



PLEASE ARRIVE AT LEAST 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO STARTING TIME.

*Starting Time ...* Shotgun Start – 10:00 a.m.

These are two separate and individual tournaments with identical formats – lunch and beverage on course, cocktails at approximately 3:00; dinner at 4:00; awarding of prizes and the **free raffle** follows dinner. The cost is **\$125.00 per player – \$500.00 per foursome.**

Please send registration form and payment to:  
**The Hundred Club of Connecticut, Inc.**



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**\*\*\* HUNDRED CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT \*\*\***  
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Please register this foursome:

Number of golfers (\$125.00 per ticket): Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-golfers (\$40.00 per ticket): Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(A check must accompany this reservation slip) Grand Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name for this foursome: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #3: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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"The Club with a Heart"

# THE HUNDRED CALL

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## Club Considering Mentoring Program

The Hundred Club is considering the possibility of extending its benefits by establishing a mentoring program. The idea has been proposed by Atty. Joel E. Janenda, who served as president in 2003



Joel Janenda

and has remained active on the Board of Directors as a past president.

Mr. Janenda and the board have been discussing various aspects of the proposal, which is being tentatively called "Help From The Hundred."

According to Mr. Janenda, the program would take advantage of "the vast knowledge and experience of club members as a catalogued resource." Members who participate would serve as mentors by providing direction and guidance for families of "Fallen Heroes."

**He stressed that at this time it is necessary to determine whether or not there is sufficient interest and willingness to participate among members to launch and maintain the project.**

Expressing hope that many volunteers will come forward, Mr. Janenda declared, "The possibilities for a mentoring program are endless." He cited some examples:

- Providing assistance and direction for family members seeking career advice and information. **Example:** Young people interested in law enforcement could have the benefit of consulting members *(continued on page 2)*

## Annual Meeting Set, Wednesday Oct. 18; Convention Center Site For Luncheon

The Hundred Club will return to the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford for its annual membership meeting. The session will be in the form of a luncheon Wednesday, Oct. 18.

Club officials are urging members to act now — to RESERVE THE DATE — Oct. 18.

The Meeting Committee, chaired by Peter H. Guerra, and officers were pleased by the attendance at the meeting last year and the positive reaction of members to the ambiance and the service at the facility. The center, constructed at a cost of \$271 million, is an integral component of the massive rebuilding program designed to revitalize the economy in the Capitol City.

Last year members and their guests welcomed the opportunity to see some of the various features in the center. Many expressed their pleasure at being able to enjoy a panoramic view of the Connecticut River during the social hour.

The center, which opened in June, 2005, has been the site of several regional and national conventions. Also many statewide and Hartford area organizations have used the seven meeting rooms for luncheons.

The Convention Center is bordered on the east by Rte. I-91, which parallels the river in Hartford, and is a short distance south of Rte. I-84 and not far from the Founders Bridge, which links Hartford and East Hartford. ■

## \$7.6 Million Mark In Distributions Exceeded By Club

The Hundred Club passed the \$7.6 million mark during 2005 in its contributions to widows and families of law enforcers, firefighters and correction officers who lost their lives in the line of duty. Official club records show that since the club was established in 1967 the organization has distributed \$7,684,730 to families of its 220 "Fallen Heroes."

During last year the disbursements totaled \$344,631. Of this amount, \$159,148 was given through the education program. During the current school year, 17 students are participating at the college level.

In another education-related program the club installed three complete computer systems with access to the Internet at a cost of \$4,207. Other expenditures linked to the computer program brought the total outlay to \$6,619. Since the inception of the program in 2000, the club has spent \$97,274. Students seven years old and older are eligible to receive a computer.

During the past year the club continued its holiday and remembrance programs: 132 widows and 21 children received checks at Christmas at a cost of \$103,200, at Thanksgiving the food baskets cost \$12,066 and the gifts for Mother's Day and Valentine's Day cost \$6,384.

Twenty children received a U.S. *(continued on page 2)*

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Savings Bond on their birthday. At maturity each bond will be worth \$200. The cost was \$2,000. The club also underwrote the expenses for seven youths to attend a camp. The cost was \$7,676.

Two families received the death benefits of \$10,000 each.

Long time members and impartial observers believe that The Hundred Club of Connecticut is unique in many ways, including the wide range of benefits it provides families of its "Fallen Heroes."



Anthony  
Ustjanauskas

Also, while other clubs of its kind serve a city or a county, the Connecticut organization assists families of firefighters (paid or volunteer), police officers (state, city, town and borough) and correction officers throughout the entire state.

The growth of The Hundred Club, since its modest start in 1967, has been phenomenal. The founder, Anthony Ustjanauskas, had 31 dues-paying members at the close of 1967. The roster included Angelo Tomasso, Jr., of New Britain, who served as president in 1979 and has remained active as a past president eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

Mr. Ustjanauskas, a Hartford businessman, was aware of a Hundred Club in Detroit, when Hartford Police Officer Harvey R. Young was killed Aug. 25, 1967. He immediately formed The Hundred Club and presented Officer Young's widow with a check for \$1,000. That same year three other members of protective services lost their lives in the line of duty. Their families also received checks for \$1,000.

Mr. Ustjanauskas set the dues at \$250 per year. There has been no change in the annual dues throughout the history of the club. His widow, Mrs. Ada Ustjanauskas, is an Honorary Life member of the club. She attended the annual meeting last year with her daughter, Henrietta. In 2004, Mr. Ustjanauskas was honored posthumously during the annual State Police Meritorious Awards Ceremony. Mrs. Ustjanauskas accepted the citation which noted that her husband devoted himself to ensuring "that the families of fallen law enforcers and firefighters are always supported and never forgotten." ■

## Two Silent Figures On Duty At Police And Fire Facilities

A silent State Police trooper, in full uniform, is on duty day and night in the lobby of the Public Safety Dept. headquarters in Middletown while a brightly attired firefighter appears ready for action in the lobby of the Connecticut Fire Academy in Windsor Locks. Both attract the attention of visitors to these facilities.

The trooper, an impressive figure which stands six feet, six inches tall and weighs 250 pounds, is made of wood. Named "Trooper Pride," it was carved by John Basch of Ellington. Mr. Basch has created numerous smaller images of troopers for retirement parties and other occasions.

He said that he worked 500 hours during a 10-week period shaping Trooper Pride out of a large plank of pine wood. With paint, Mr. Basch dressed the trooper in a blue and gold uniform and included a badge, number 666. This was the badge worn by a close friend, Trooper Charles Vanderscott, when he was the resident trooper in Ellington. He is retired and lives in Florida.

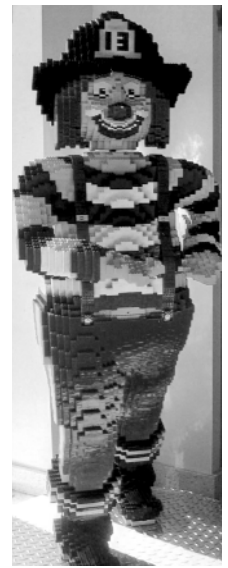
The firefighter on duty at the Fire Academy is called "Sparky" by the staff at the facility. It was donated by Lego Systems, which is located in nearby Enfield. A spokesperson at Lego said the figure consists of 14,460 pieces. Each unit is called a brick.

Sparky was fashioned by a master model maker who worked on it for about 100 hours. The figure was displayed at the Mall of America in Minnesota. When Rob Levandowski, an instructor at the academy, learned that Sparky might be taken apart, he suggested to Lego officials that the creation be donated to the academy.

Both Trooper Pride and Sparky, while remaining silent, spark considerable conversation among the men, women and children who view them. ■



Trooper Pride



Sparky

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with law enforcement experience. **Example:** A new widow or widower seeking to return to the workforce or change his or her career. Mentors could provide practical assistance regarding opportunities and advice related to reaching a stated goal.

- Providing assistance in defining educational goals. **Example:** Young people would have the benefit of the extensive experience of mentors who would explain the education required for professional careers and trades.

- Providing assistance in selecting and gaining admission to college and other educational institutions. **Example:** Alumni could offer special insight into admission procedures, the curriculum and policies of a school.

- Providing assistance in making financial decisions following the death of a spouse or parent. **Example:** The extensive knowledge and experience of many members in financial matters could benefit and, perhaps, protect families who required guidance.

- Providing short-term employment as unpaid interns or as summer employees for student members of Hundred Club families.

Before the club goes forward with the actual development of a mentoring program, Mr. Janenda emphasized that officials must determine the availability of members and their willingness to assist individuals and families seeking assistance. Members interested in participating should contact the club's headquarters by e-mail: hundred@portone.com (subject Mentoring) or by regular mail to The Hundred Club, P.O. Box 419, Glastonbury, CT 06033. ■

## Patron Saint

Roman Catholics consider St. Florian the patron saint of firefighters. In 1955 Rev. Francis S. O'Neill, the Catholic chaplain for the Hartford Fire Dept., designed the St. Florian medal that is carried by firefighters throughout the country. Many years ago the Catholic Church designated May 5 as the feast day for St. Florian. ■

## Golf Tournaments Tuesday, August 1 At Tunxis Courses

The Hundred Club's annual day of golf will be Tuesday, Aug. 1, Managing Director William E. Sydenham, Jr. announced. The club's two separate tournaments will be played simultaneously at Tunxis Plantation Country Club in Farmington. The shotgun tee-off time for both is 10 a.m.

Early arrivals are invited to use the practice range and putting green. Also, coffee and breakfast pastry will be available on the Pro Shop porch.

The official registration form is located on Page 4 of this issue of the *The Hundred Call*. The Golf Committee will appreciate early responses from foursomes and individuals.

All golfers are asked to be at Tunxis at least 30 minutes prior to the start of play. They should go directly to the registration desk. The cost per golfer is remaining at \$125. This fee includes the greens fee, use of a golf cart, lunch (on the course) and steak dinner. Non-golfers are invited to the luncheon and dinner. The cost is \$40.

There will be prizes for the best low and best net scores recorded on both the White and Green courses. In addition, there will be awards for the longest drives and the shots closest to the pin on designated par 3 holes. For the 17<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the popular free raffle will be held during the dinner.

Once again a low handicap golfer who has won top honors in the low gross category will be attempting to record that honor while serving as the club's president. Tim Prete not only turned in the low gross score on the Green Course in 2003, he duplicated the feat the following year on the White Course.

In 2002 Ralph Giansanti won the tournament on the White Course, but in his presidential year he was unable to post the lowest gross score.

This will be the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that golfers have tested their skills at Tunxis. The first tournaments were played at Banner Lodge in Moodus. When that facility was no longer available the event was played at Glastonbury Hills Country Club. As the tournaments became more popular, it was necessary to hold events not only in Glastonbury but also at another course. Layouts in Portland and Hebron were used and all golfers gathered at Glastonbury Hills for the traditional dinner.

Later two events were played on

## Memorial Ceremony In Meriden May 24

The 18<sup>th</sup> annual memorial ceremony to honor Connecticut law enforcers who lost their lives in the line of duty will be held Wednesday, May 24 at the memorial on the grounds of the Connecticut Police Training Academy in Meriden. The event will start at 11 a.m.

Meriden Police Chief (Ret.) Robert Kosienski also announced that the Memorial Committee dinner will be Monday, May 1 at the Aqua Turf in Southington. The social hour will begin at 6 p.m.

If weather permits, the ceremony May 24 will take place at the impressive granite memorial which features the names of 127 Connecticut law enforcers who made the supreme sacrifice. The memorial, the first of its kind in the country, was constructed at a cost of approximately \$400,000. The cost was underwritten by donations from the private sector. There is a national monument in Washington, D.C., which serves as the site of a ceremony every year.

## Sponsors Sought For Golf Events

The Golf Committee announced that its hole-sponsorship program will again be a part of The Hundred Club's two separate tournaments. The club's day of golf will be Tuesday, Aug. 1 at Tunxis Plantation Country Club, Farmington.

With one tournament being played on the White Course and the other on the Green Course, the committee is able to make 36 holes available for sponsors.

A blue and gold banner is displayed on each hole that is sponsored. It bears the emblem of The Hundred Club and the name of the sponsor. Following the tournaments, the nylon flags are given to the sponsors as mementos.

Parties interested in becoming sponsors should contact Managing Director William E. Sydenham, Jr. at headquarters. ■

successive days. In 2001 the management at Tunxis said two 18-hole courses would be available on the same day.

As they have in the past, Tunxis General Manager Lou Pandolfi, PGA, and Angelo Fiducia, PGA, resident golf professionals, will oversee play and compile the official scores.

A social hour at Table Green, a short distance from the club house, will begin immediately after play is completed. The steak dinner will be served at approximately 4 p.m. ■



*Law Enforcers Memorial*

A delegation from Connecticut attends the event.

The Connecticut memorial, which has served as a model for other states which are honoring their "Fallen Heroes" in this manner, was dedicated May 13, 1988. At the event Gov. (Ret.) John N. Dempsey, who was instrumental in raising the required funds, thanked the "people of Connecticut for not forgetting to remember."

Gov. William A. O'Neill told the large gathering that the memorial would serve as a "lasting salute to those who so gallantly gave of themselves."

The memorial was designed by Jonathan Humble, a Hartford architect. ■

## Good Suggestion

When the Meeting Committee and other club officials were discussing possible locations for the 2005 annual meeting, a past president William J. McCue, suggested that the new Connecticut Convention Center be considered. At the time there were other facilities under consideration. An inspection of the meeting rooms and talks with officials at the center convinced club officials their search was over. This year there was no need to consider any other sites. ■

## Old Latin Saying

The late Msgr. Joseph A. Devine often used a Latin aphorism to describe the work of the members of The Hundred Club. "There is an old Latin saying — *Qui Fecit Per Alio Fecit Per Se*. It means, who does through another does himself. Through the generosity of members, the tools are provided for the club to carry out its work." ■