

## The NECEA News May 2010

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NECEA was founded in 1930 to promote professionalism among claims people in the New England Region.

#### Officers Roster 2010-2011 Mike Smith - President

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## May 18 Golf & Meeting Recap

The cold weather and intermittent rain did not adversely affect the turnout for the 2010 edition of the NECEA's Golf Outing. Quite the contrary- this year's event was a smashing success that featured 37 foursomes (that's 148 golfers) and an additional 33 dinner guests. As our golfers came off of the course, they





enjoyed our cocktail hour, hors d'oeuvres, and pasta stations. Our 50/50 sales specialists (Kim Albert, Paula Pelletier, Mike Smith, and Greg Buonocore) did a very brisk business.



President Neal Waters welcomed the group and introduced Steward Paula Pelletier who thanked the group for their recent donation of school supplies (please see the thank-you note in this newsletter), and then gave the predinner invocation. On tonight's menu were Caesar salads and a great surf and turf entrée.

Outgoing President Waters thanked Golf Chairman Bob Partridge for all of his hard work in organizing such a successful day. Neal also thanked the dozens of Hole Sponsors, Golf Award Sponsors, and Special Event Sponsors for their excellent support of the day.

One new membership application was voted on, and the NECEA voted in it's newest member

#### William Cysyk Unified Investigations & Sciences, Inc.

Next, Neal introduced the NECEA's officers and asked them to stand and be recognized for their contributions to the 2009-2010 year. He also thanked the year's guest speakers for giving us such an interesting program this year.



Scholarship Chair Lisa Mullen spoke next, and told the group that the NECEA had received eleven scholarship application s this year.

A number of those eleven applications were from candidates that had previously won twice, and those candidates (although very qualified) were not considered for awards this year.

This year's seven recipients of the NECEA scholarship award in the amount of \$750 are:

**Lisa Gagne, Assumption College** Daughter of member Brian Gagne Erin Koester, University of Massachusetts Daughter of member James Koester Ryan Partridge, Central CT State University Son of member Bob Partridge

Andy Rich, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Son of member Dan Rich

**Casey Roonan, R I School of Design** Son of member Randy Roonan

Patrick Twomey, Clemson University Son of member Greg Twomey

James Zimmer, University of Hartford Son of member William Zimmer

Neal read the report of the Nominating Committee and proposed Matt Palumbo of Kemper Insurance as the NECEA's new officer. Matt's candidacy was seconded and he was voted in by acclimation. The Officers for 2010-11 will be Mike Smith as President, Paula Pelletier as Treasurer, and Matt Palumbo as Steward.

Incoming President Mike Smith presented Neal with a plaque to commemorate his service to the NECEA as our 2009-2010 President.



Golf Chairman Bob Partridge announced the Golf Awards (see related article) and called out the many door prize winners. The prize parade was headed by a 42" plasma TV and a Wii system donated by the NECEA. The colossal 50/50 drawing was handled by our Guest of Honor, Roe Sponzo. Roe's husband John was a Past president of the NECEA, and was our long-time Golf Chairman prior to his sudden passing in2007. The 50/50 pot swelled to a very healthy windfall of \$1,000 (thanks to a late ticket purchase by Rich Mancuso), and was taken home by Lucky Lou Filipetti.



The NECEA is very grateful to Golf Chairman Bob Partridge for orchestrating such an extremely successful afternoon and evening.

#### GOLF AWARDS

#### First Place Team (65)

Joe Gillette Gary Grout Ron Pike Tyler Guilmate

#### Second Place Team (66 matching cards)

Derrick Watson Ken Hornbeck Bob Bussolari Ryan Partridge

#### Third Place Team (66 matching cards)

Richard Macrina George Teed Randy Harakas Tim Csere

#### Closest to Pin on #3

Paul Richards 4'8"

#### Closest to Pin on #6

Joe DiBlasi 12"

#### Closest to Pin on #11

Ken Nasshan 3'11"

Closest to Pin on #18 Chris Kelly 8'

Closest to Line #4 Jason Dei

#### **Most Honest (88)** Keith Gavigan Paul Plouffe

Long Drive – Men's Gavin Miles

Long Drive – Women's Cathy Finlayson

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☑ Blue Goose (Hartford Pond) – Coffee & Donuts Sponsor

☑ Bob Partridge - Hole Sponsor Signs, Golf Chairman

☑ Dan Rich – Table Program

## **Our Next Meeting**

See you in October 2010.











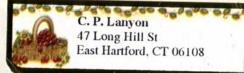


Roe Sponzo (bottom left) with Sponzo family friends









Dear Miss Pelletier + Fellow Workers of the New England Claim Executives' Ass., Thank you for your gifts of school supplies for Provo Christian School. They have so little and I am thrilled to send them your items. Thank you for caring! They will be so happy. I will send the items night away. Sincerely yours Christine Lanyon



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[] Associate Membership	
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Sponsor Name:	
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Signature of Applicant	
Date of Application	
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