

17th ANNUAL NOR'EASTER SCRABBLE® TOURNAMENT

(In Memory of Steve Pfeiffer)

June 28-July 4, 2012, Marriott Hotel, 189 Wolf Road, Colonie (Albany), NY (518-458-8444)

Directors: John Robertson, Allen Pengelly, Annette Tedesco, and Others To Be Announced

Join us as we celebrate the 4th of July for our 17th annual Nor'easter Scrabble® tournament. This year, we will be having our longest July 4th tournament ever as we will be playing **57 games** over seven days.

On Saturday night June 30, the popular Team Trivia Contest will be hosted by John Robertson, which will be a lot of fun for all. Then on Sunday July 1, the ever-popular barbeque party, along with fireworks, will be held at Annette's riverfront home in Stillwater.

MAIN EVENTS

- TWL Main Event:**
- 21 NASPA-rated games in 4 divisions from June 29 to July 2 with the Gibson Rule in effect
 - Division cutoffs are at 1100, 1400 and 1700, with play-ups allowed within 100 points of division cutoffs
 - The **most current rating** will be used to seed divisions
 - **Entry Fees: Division 1 (1700+) - \$95; Division 2 (1400-1699) - \$80; Division 3 (1100-1399) - \$80; Division 4 (0-1099) - \$80**

- Collins Main Event:**
- 21-game OPEN tournament from June 29 to July 2 with the Gibson Rule in effect
 - Tournament to be rated by NASPA Collins & WESPA with participation fees included in the entry fees
 - NASPA rules will be used (<http://www.scrabbleplayers.org/w/Rules>) except that upon an unsuccessful challenge, the challenge adds 10 points per word challenged to his/her score
 - If there's enough interest, an Early Bird will be added on June 29
 - **Entry Fee: \$125**

TWL EARLY BIRDS

1st TWL Early Bird: 8-game, fully rated event on June 28

2nd TWL Early Bird: 6-game, fully-rated event on June 29

Formats for Early Birds determined by number of entries

**Entry Fees: \$45 for 1st TWL Early Bird
\$40 for 2nd TWL Early Bird**

(Pay at Door Only)

Entry Fees include NASPA Participation Fees: MUST be NASPA Member to Play

TWL LATE BIRDS

1st TWL Late Bird: 6-game, OPEN tournament on July 2

2nd TWL Late Bird: 8-game, fully rated event on July 3

3rd TWL Late Bird: 8-game, fully-rated event on July 4

Formats for 2nd & 3rd Late Birds determined by number of entries

Entry Fees: \$45 for each Late Bird

(Pay at Door Only)

SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 28	Noon	TWL Early Bird #1	Monday, July 2	9:30am	Main Events Games 18-21
Friday, June 29	11am	TWL Early Bird #2		4pm	TWL Late Bird #1
	8pm	Main Events Games 1-3	Tuesday, July 3	10am	TWL Late Bird #2
Saturday, June 30	9:30am	Main Events Games 4-11	Wednesday, July 4	10am	TWL Late Bird #3
	9pm	Team Trivia Contest			
Sunday, July 1	9:30am	Main Events Games 12-17			
	5pm	Annette's Barbeque in Stillwater			

Registration will begin **One Hour** before scheduled start time of each event

Mail entry form, along with check for all applicable fees by June 18 to:
Annette Tedesco, 41 Ferry Lane, Stillwater, NY 12170-1350

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

Rating: _____

Attending Barbeque: _____

Staying at Marriott _____

Events Entering

TWL Main Event: _____

Playing up for TWL Main Event?: _____

Collins Main Event: _____

TWL Early Bird #1: _____

TWL Early Bird #2: _____

TWL Late Bird #1: _____

TWL Late Bird #2: _____

TWL Late Bird #3: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

HOTEL INFORMATION

- Book reservations directly through the Marriott at **800-443-8952** from February 1 to June 14. Mention the Scrabble Group when making reservations. There is a 24-hour cancellation policy. **Players are responsible for making their own reservations. There will also be free shuttle service and free parking.**
- Room rate is \$89 plus tax per night with a maximum of 3-4 occupants per room.
- If you need a roommate, contact Annette at 518-664-1619 or e-mail her at 101ted@nycap.rr.com.
- **Commuters not on the hotel package, pay an additional \$15 along with your entry.**

DIRECTIONS TO MARRIOTT

From the South (New York City, Connecticut), and the West (Syracuse, Buffalo, Toronto)

- Take the NYS Thruway (I-87 North/I-90 East) to Exit 24 (Albany/Montreal)
- From toll booth, take I-90 East to Exit 1N (Saratoga Springs/Montreal)
- From off-ramp, take Adirondack Northway (I-87 North) to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
- From off-ramp, turn right onto Wolf Road. The Marriott will be 1/2 mile away on your left

From the North (Montreal, Vermont)

- Take the Adirondack Northway (I-87) South to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
- From off-ramp, turn Left onto Old Wolf Road
- At traffic signal, turn Left onto Albany-Shaker Road
- Immediately after overpass, turn Right onto Wolf Road. The Marriott will be 5/8 mile away on your left

From the East (Boston, Cape Cod)

- From Mass Pike, take NYS Thruway (Berkshire Spur) West to Exit B1 (Albany/Hudson)
- From toll booth, take I-90 West and get off at Exit 1N (Saratoga Springs/Montreal)
- From off-ramp, take Adirondack Northway (I-87 North) to Exit 4 (Wolf Road/Albany Airport)
- From off-ramp, Turn right onto Wolf Road. The Marriott will be 1/2 mile away on your left

DIRECTIONS TO ANNETTE'S HOME IN STILLWATER

- From Marriott, turn Right on Wolf Road, and follow to traffic signal at corner of Albany-Shaker Road
- From traffic signal, go Straight onto Adirondack Northway (I-87 North)
- Follow I-87 North to Exit 9 (Clifton Park)
- From off-ramp, take NYS Route 146 East, and follow 146 for approximately 3 miles
- Take ramp onto U.S. Route 4 North/NYS Route 32, and follow 4 & 32 for 4.4 miles into Stillwater
- Turn Right onto Ferry Lane past "Admiral's Marina" and follow Ferry to #41, which will be on your left