



Dear Friend,

This year's NYSTA Challenge Steve Smith Memorial Tournament will be moving back to the beautiful Links at Union Vale in Lagrangeville, NY on Monday, August 17, 2026. This event is sponsored by the New York State Turfgrass Association and the Hudson Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association and is a continuation of our most successful fundraiser tournament, the Sullivan County Challenge, celebrating 25 years of proceeds totaling \$259,230.

Thanks to the sponsors and attendees of last year's tournament, we were able to support the New York Green Industry Council and New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Alliance. NYSTA appreciates all those who continue to attend and contribute to this fundraising tournament.

Sincerely,
The Tournament Committee

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| Steve Whipple | Greg Chorvas |
| Kevin Collins | James Gorman |
| David Lippman | Greg Moran |
| Chris Strehl | Matt Topazio |
| Jason Werbalowski | |

When: Monday, August 17, 2026

Where: The Links at Union Vale
153 North Parliman Road
Lagrangeville, NY 12540

- Times:**
- 10:30** Registration
 - 11:00 – 12:15** Lunch: Sandwich Buffet
 - 12:30** Shotgun Start - 4-Man Handicap Scramble
Spikeless shoes required - Proper golf attire
 - 5:30** Buffet Dinner, Prizes & Raffle Drawings

Tournament Fee: \$225 per person

Includes:

- Greens Fee
- Buffet Lunch
- Water on the Course
- Buffet Dinner & 1-hour Open Bar
- Cart Fee
- Water on each Golf Cart

(Other Drinks Available for Purchase from Beverage Carts)

Raffle: Raffle donations are greatly appreciated. Please indicate on your registration form what you wish to donate for the raffle. Suggested items are golf gift certificates, golf balls, hats, gift cards, or themed gift baskets. Raffle tickets will be sold at registration and drawn during the tournament.

In addition to our donated raffle prizes, some/all of these other great prizes will be awarded!

- Yeti Cooler**
- Bose Bluetooth Speaker**
- Apple I-Pad**
- Apple Air Pods**
- Garmin Golf Watch**
- Gaming System**
- Gift Cards for Amazon, Uber/Uber Eats, Dicks Sporting Goods**



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The Links at Union Vale

153 North Parliman Road

Lagrangeville, NY 12540

Registration Form

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Golfer #1 _____ Handicap _____

Golfer #2 _____ Handicap _____

Golfer #3 _____ Handicap _____

Golfer #4 _____ Handicap _____

Deadline for registration is August 10, 2026

Individual Fee @ \$225 pp = \$ _____

Foursome Fee @ \$900 = \$ _____

Lunch Only @ \$35 = \$ _____

Dinner Only @ \$85 = \$ _____

*(Dinner includes
1-hour open bar)*

\$

TOTAL

Complete & Return this form to:

New York State Turfgrass Association

PO Box 612, Latham, NY 12110

Fax: (518) 783-1258

Email: sue@nysta.mobi

Please make checks payable to: NYSTA

Online registration/sponsorship available for credit card payments at:

<https://nysta.org/events.html>

Or .. request your electronic invoice below.

Invoice Me

Billing Email: _____

2026 NYSTA Challenge

Fundraiser for the Environment

To Benefit:

Environmental Issues

2027 Turfgrass Advocacy Day

New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Alliance

New York Green Industry Council

Sponsored By:

**New York State Turfgrass Association
Hudson Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association**