



The Accelerator



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THE ROTARY CLUB OF PITTSFORD, NY

Meets every Wednesday - Hicks & McCarthy @ 7:15 am

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Invocation: Ed Francis

Musical Coordinator – Lynn Freshman

Sergeant-at-arms: Frank Burns

NOVEMBER IS – "ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH"

We Hear About Saint's Place – Refugees next door - story below

VISITING ROTARIANS / GUESTS: Guests today included two visiting Rotarians; David Doser from Fairport, and Todd Nevible from St. Augustine, Florida. Also in attendance was prospective member Bruce Spector and guest speaker Colleen Knauf.

ATTENDANCE - reported by Jim Cameron: 27 members, 1 honorary member, and 4 guests

MEMBER NEWS

Please forward any member news to Rick Haverty – email, phone, and napkins all work.

President Rick was on his way to Massachusetts for the Thanksgiving holiday by meeting time this morning. Do you suppose he wore one of those Pilgrim hats?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DON'T FORGET BELL RINGING: Rick Juszkiwicz noted that we'll once again be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Candle Light Night on December 2nd in the Village. The Salvation Army has cell phones this year so we should be able to avoid the missed pots we had last year! If you don't find us in the usual spot (four corners) look around – even on Schoen Place.

CAMP HACCAMO: The Church Street residents will join us for dinner at Camp Haccamo on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6:15PM. Matt Ensenat and Jackie Swift are responsible for the dinner. Lynn Freshman will arrange the entertainment. There will be no Wednesday morning meeting to encourage more members to **SHOW UP!**

HOLIDAY POPS: Club members and their families will have an opportunity to attend the Gala Holiday Pops concert at the Eastman Theater at 2 p.m. on December 21st. The Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Jeff Tyzik will be joined by the 200 voice Festival High School Chorale directed by Pittsford's Harold McAuliffe. This concert, with favorite holiday music, is a great way to get you in the holiday mood! Tickets are \$20 ea. Your check must be in to Ray Cornelius by Dec. 3rd.



HOLIDAY DINNER: Elthea King is making arrangements for our holiday dinner at the Century Club again this year. We will have two or three choices for dinner including flank steak, chicken, and/or salmon. This is a very special evening that members and their spouses enjoy. Please save Wednesday, December 17th to celebrate the holiday season and enjoy a delicious dinner with your fellow Rotarians. We will not have a Rotary meeting on this Wednesday morning. The deadline for reservations is December 10th.

PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD: Peter Crooker checked out stock and some supplies are in need. They are canned vegetables and paper products such as toilet paper. Please make a donation today.

INTERACT CLUBS: Charlie Richardson gave kudos to Pat Mallery for hosting a leadership Seminar with 16 different clubs. It was an overnighter and there were approximately 50 Interactors present. Great job Pat.

CAMP HACCAMO: Charlie was present at the Haccamo board budget meeting and has the breakdown for costs of campers and counselors. The \$250,000 budget will require cuts next year, due in large part to the LPGA shortfall. They are also facing a big expense for necessary repairs on the pool.

PANCAKE SUPPER: Ray Robbins said there are only five members who haven't turned in their Pancake Supper tickets – you know who you are – and we know there are good reasons (until next meeting). Please step-up and see Ray.

TASTE OF PITTSFORD: Gaven Hurley, Ray Robbins, and Lynn Freshman went to Morristown, New Jersey to see how their huge fundraiser a "Taste of Morristown" is run. Approximately 600 people attended and \$41,000 was taken in. A "Taste of Pittsford" is being planned for March and we're hoping it will be the next big fundraiser / event for our club.

FEATURES

THIS WEEKS PROGRAM

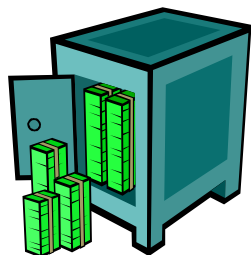
MUSIC: Surely there was some, but we forgot to write it down.

SPEAKER: Guest Speaker: Colleen Knaf, Director of Saint's Place

Saint's Place is a Christian values based ministry that assists people, regardless of their race or creed, seeking a fresh start in the United States. Saint's Place assists refugees from war-torn countries seeking asylum. They are legal immigrants arriving in Rochester through the Refugee and Immigration Department of the Catholic Family Center. These weary people arrive with nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Some have lived in refugee camps for up to seven years waiting for a country to sponsor them. Since its inception in 1998, Saint's Place has supported the resettlement of over 1400 refugees.

Saint's Place is in need of financial support, donations of furniture, household goods and clothing, as well as additional donated storage space. In October 2001 a Tutoring Center was created. Currently it supports 60 children and 12 adults from Afghanistan. To learn more visit www.saintsplace.org or contact Colleen at 385-6860.

Thanks Colleen for spending your morning with Pittsford Rotary.



HAPPY DOLLARS: Ray Cornelius gave a thank you for the Rotary Birthday card, and the Ohio State Victory. Hank Ferris chipped in for the Michigan Victory. Bob Vukosic wanted to thank Bruce Spector for helping out at the Bon Ton. Peter Crooker gave for the Rotary Anniversaries of Frank Burns and Ken Smith (63 years each with this club – since it's inception!). Billy Pieper gave because the kids are home for Thanksgiving. John Bernacki gave \$10 for Saint's Place. Pat Mallery gave to thank Charlie for the Pittsford Sutherland and Pittsford Mendon food drives.

50/50 WINNER: Gerry Vesling won the 50/50 and donated it to Saint's Place.

ROTARY INFORMATION: Centennial Bell

Similar to the traveling Olympic torch, five Rotary Centennial bells will be circulated to clubs in every Rotary country, starting at the RI Convention in Brisbane, Australia, in June 2003. The bells' journeys will symbolize the internationality of Rotary as they crisscross the globe.



One bell will travel to the first 100 clubs to join Rotary International, while the others will travel to the first Rotary club formed in each country of four regions, according to RI archives: Asia and the Pacific; Latin American and the Caribbean; Africa; and Europe. Due to differences in shipping systems between countries in Africa, individual bells will be delivered by the district governors to the first clubs chartered in each country.

The "First 100" bell is scheduled to be in Syracuse on March 25, 2005, in Buffalo on March 31, 2005, and in Rochester on April 5, 2005. A full schedule is available on the Rotary International website.

The bells' journeys will end in Chicago in June 2005 when they ring in the start of the centennial RI Convention.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving." --**WT Purkiser**, Author

JUST FOR FUN: Signs that you over did it on Thanksgiving...

1. Paramedics had to bring in the Jaws of Life to pry you out of the EZ-Boy.
2. You get grass stains on your butt during an after dinner walk, but never sat down.
3. Your "Big Elvis Super-Belt" won't go around your waist anymore.
4. You receive a Sumo Wrestler application in your e-mail.
5. You set off 3 earthquake seismographs on your morning jog Friday.
6. Pricking your finger for a cholesterol screening only yielded gravy.
7. That rash on your stomach turns out to be steering wheel burn.
8. Your spouse wears a Coast Guard approved life jacket at night in your waterbed.
9. Representatives from the Butterball Hall of Fame called twice.
10. As you read this list a week after Thanksgiving you still need a nap.

OTHER CLUB / DISTRICT EVENTS

- **Dec10 - BOCES #2 Annual Holiday Party hosted by Greece Rotary**
 - Ridgemont Country Club 12:00 noon. Contact [Elizabeth Richardson <drichar3@rochester.rr.com>](mailto:drichar3@rochester.rr.com)
- **Dec12 - Greece Rotary Annual Holiday Party**
 - Ridgemont Country Club \$30 pp includes dinner and entertainment. Contact [Elizabeth Richardson <drichar3@rochester.rr.com>](mailto:drichar3@rochester.rr.com)
- **Dec13 - Train Ride with Santa - Ontario Walworth Club**
 - Departure times - 10 am, noon, & 2 PM
Board at L.W. Emporium – north of Rt. 104 on Knickerbocker Rd
Price - \$6.00 per ticket (each seat requires a ticket), advance sale only
Tickets available at L.W. Emporium
Can also order tickets by mail.
Mail check for amount of tickets to: Ontario Walworth Rotary Club PO Box 4, Ontario, NY 14519

UPCOMING EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

On-Going –

- Pittsford Food Cupboard, 2-hour shifts on Tuesdays or Fridays between 10:00am and 2:00pm and special events.

2 December – Ring the bells for Salvation Army – at Candle Light Night

3 December – Church Street Holiday Party at Camp Haccamo

17 December – Pittsford Rotary Club Holiday Dinner at The Century Club

22 December – Deliver food baskets to Green Acres

MEETING SCHEDULE & SPEAKERS

Name in <brackets> is the greeter, speakers follow. If you know someone who would be an interesting speaker please contact Pat Mallery for scheduling.

***** **NEXT WEEK** *****

3 December: @6:15 PM < Gaven Hurley > Church Street Holiday Party at Camp Haccamo. This replaces our morning meeting this week. Please make an effort to attend and join in.

10 December: < Elthea King > Gail Mulkeen, District Service Coordinator for Pittsford Central Schools.

17 December: < > Club Christmas Party at Century Club. Cocktails 6:00PM, Dinner 7:00PM


24 December: No Meeting this week – Merry Christmas.

HELPFUL ROTARY LINKS:

<http://www.rotary.org> - Rotary International

<http://www.rotary7120.org> - Our District

<http://www.pittsfordrotary.org> - Our club's website

The Rotary Club of Pittsford, New York		1-800-867-0513 extension 388
<u>2003-2004 Club Officers</u>		<u>2003-2004 Board of Directors</u>
President – Rick Haverty		Club Service – Bob Thompson
President Elect – John Bernacki		Community Service
Vice President – Pat Mallery		Ray Robbins – Fund Raising
Secretary – Jennel Dillon		Pete Crooker – Rochester Projects
Treasurer – Roger Zaenglein		Lynn Freshman – Pittsford Projects
Past President – Lou Christakos		Vocational Service – Chris Leone
Sergeant-At-Arms – Frank Burns		International Service – Bob Vukosic

PITTSFORD ROTARY CLUB - RESERVATION FORM

HOLIDAY DINNER
at
THE CENTURY CLUB OF ROCHESTER
566 EAST AVENUE
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14607

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17 Social hour, cash bar - 6:00
Dinner - 7:00

_____ Flank Steak - orange marmalade marinated, garlic mashed potato, broccoli

_____ Chicken breast stuffed w/pear & brie, white & wild rice mix, broccoli

_____ Salmon - broiled, white & wild rice mix, broccoli

The price of \$32 includes entrée, squash soup, assorted rolls, holiday cake and gratuity.

Please mark your selections, make your check payable to Pittsford Rotary Club, and send your reservations to Elthea King, 28 Colonial Parkway, Pittsford, NY 14534 by Wednesday, December 10th.

Name _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____



PITTSFORD ROTARY CLUB- RESERVATION FORM

ROCHESTER PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
GALA HOLIDAY POPS
JEFF TYZIK, CONDUCTOR
with the
FESTIVAL HIGH SCHOOL CHORALE
Harold McAuliffe, Director

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21st at 2 P.M.
at the EASTMAN THEATRE

Number of adult and/or student tickets - \$20 each
The seats will be in the orchestra just under the balcony.

Please make your check payable to Pittsford Rotary Club and send your reservations to Ray Cornelius, 12 Fellview Drive, Pittsford, NY 14534 by December 3rd.

Name _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____