



NEWSLETTER

A note from the President

- *Michael Maddelena*

With the Club year and my term as President coming to a close, I want to thank my fellow Officer Team, Board of Directors, and all who served as Committee Chairmen and those who served on committees. I appreciate the insight and suggestions from the Past Presidents. In addition, I appreciate the support of all of our members and our extended Amity community. Your time, work, and commitment had made this past year another success for the Amity Club.

Not only did we achieve the Club's purpose, but also, we strengthened the fundamentals of the Club. We experienced a net gain in active members, retained more members, and ended the year with a surplus. However, we must continue our work in these areas. Overall, it seemed that members were more engaged this year, a testament seen by our increased meeting attendance.

In addition, we have been able to directly respond to the community by completing two "low effort, high impact" community projects and making several donations. In conjunction with the Amity Charitable Trust, we touched the lives of many in our community by helping to fund meaningful projects and an education for our youth.

We have addressed some of the issues facing member retention by involving our new members, reviving a newsletter to highlight the Club's achievements, and adding our membership to the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce. By adding value to our membership, we are better positioned to retain existing members and to attract new members in an effort to insure our future.

The reallocation of the member trust contribution was certainly controversial. In the short term, this reallocation was responsible for turning a deficit to a surplus. In the long term, the reallocation is not intended as a permanent solution. Over the past two years, the Board has been proactive in addressing the Club's finances in a challenging economy. Adjustments have been made without changing the Club's traditions, practices and by-laws. Going forward, the objective for the Board is to fortify the Amity Club's role in the community and fuel our objectives with a vibrant membership.

One year is not enough time to implement constructive changes particularly when we are purely a volunteer organization. In recent years, the Officers and Directors have made a greater

effort to work together from year to year so that the transition is smooth but the new Officers and Directors can begin their year at a higher level of accomplishment.

It has been an honor to lead such a fine organization. It is humbling to be listed with such an accomplished group of Past Presidents. We are fortunate to have Frank Perrotti as our next President. We know that Frank will be a great leader for the Club and he will continue to foster the spirit of community service and brotherhood within our membership.

Amity Golf Classic Monday August 5, 2013

Wallingford Country Club
\$200.00 to golf
\$65.00 for Just cocktails
and dinner
Registration at 10:00 AM
Shotgun start 12:30 PM

For additional information
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TRUST AWARDS RECORD AMOUNT

The Amity Charitable Trust Fund (ACT) awarded gifts and grants totaling \$88,985, a new record high, during the past year. Awards included \$53,300 for scholarship grants which went to 23 college-bound students from the greater New Haven area. The recipients and their families were hosted by the ACT at the club's Annual Scholars' Dinner on June 4, 2013 at Anthony's Ocean view.

East Haven High School was represented by six Amity Scholars, North Haven High School by five, and Hopkins, Sacred Heart Academy and West Haven High School were each represented by two students. Amity Regional, Wilbur Cross, James Hillhouse, Hill Regional, New Haven Academy and Notre Dame High Schools each had one Amity Scholar.

Amity Scholars chairman Anthony Pinto, noting that the awards are based upon academic achievement, cited the current group of recipients as "truly outstanding" not only in the classroom but in a variety of leadership roles at their respective schools and in the community.

Additionally, students at Albertus Magnus College, Quinnipiac University and the University of New Haven have received scholarships from endowed funds established by Amity 30 years ago.

In May, the club presented its Worthy Projects awards. A total of \$17,000 went to a variety of not for profit organizations in the community at an Amity dinner meeting. The grants, generated by the Annual Amity Club Golf Classic, were awarded to the St. Gianna Center, Concepts for Adaptive Learning, IRIS, Liberty Community Services, Vantage Group, Connecticut Food Bank, International Institute of Connecticut, Casey Rose Foundation and the Marine Cadets of America.



Carolyn Demsky (speaking) and Kristina Mitchell from the Casey Rose Foundation, and Worthy Projects committee chairman Bill Parisi.

The wine tasting, held in October, enabled Amity to present more than \$5,000 to Notre Dame High School of West Haven. This event has been the source of funding for the President's Project for several years.

Additionally, 13 donor designated funds generated \$12,935 for human services, healthcare and educational organizations. Grants were awarded to Boys and Girls Village, Yale University School of Medicine, St. Raphael's Foundation, Columbus House, Quinnipiac University, Eli Whitney Museum, Connecticut hospice, American Brain Tumor Association, and the Yankee Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Over the past 20 years the ACT, on behalf of the Amity Club, has provided more than \$1.2 million in the community. College-bound students have received \$875,000 in scholarship support and \$330,000 has been awarded to human services, healthcare and educational organizations.

MEMBER NEWS

Quinnipiac Bank & Trust Company

Mark Candido – President & CEO (and Past President of Amity Club)

John Siclari – Residential Loan Officer (and Past President of Amity Club)

Tony Rossley – Vice President – Commercial Lending

The QBT soon to be completed new main office located at 2704 Dixwell Ave in Hamden will be a “state of the art “ facility .

It will consist of 8,000 square ft with exceptional visibility, and 18,000 car traffic pattern every day. The facility will have a state of the art ATM, full service drive-up teller window, a in lobby coin counting machine, night depository and plenty of parking.

QBT offers commercial loans and commercial mortgages from \$25,000 to \$1.4 million throughout the Greater New Haven Community for almost every conceivable type of business.



Quinnipiac Bank & Trust Company was established in March 2008.

QBT is in business to serve the small to mid size businesses that are currently underserved by the regional and national banks, offering loans from \$10,000 to \$1.6 million dollars. QBT also continues to grow their consumer business by loaning on Home Equity Loans, automobile loans and personal loans.

Technology oriented products are state of the art. Their mission is to serve our customers with highly personalized exceptional service. QBT is not a “One Size – One Product fits all” bank. They can customize products to fit individual needs.

AMITY CLUB WINE TASTING CRUISE - JOIN US -

Come aboard the *Sea Mist* for a fun filled evening as we cruise the Thimble Islands and the beautiful coast while enjoying the a selection of wines, a buffet dinner and great friends.

Dates and Times:

Friday, July 19th departs at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, July 31st, departs at 6:00 PM

Stony Creek Marina



For More Information and Reservations Contact:

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NEW PRESIDENT CELEBRATED AT THE SEVENTY EIGHTH INAUGURAL BALL



Officers and Directors from left to right:

Top row: Anthony Rossley, and Thomas Ciesco. Bottom row: John Siclari, Joseph Bozzuto, Vincent Pacelli, Jr., Frank Parrotti, Michael Maddelena, William Parisi, III, and Pasquale Panza.

The 78th Inaugural Ball was celebrated on a beautiful evening at Anthony's Ocean View on Saturday, June 15th. Frank Perrotti, the 77th President of the Amity Club, took the oath, given by his brother Mark Perrotti, M.D., along with other new Officers and Directors. In his speech, Frank Perrotti said he looked forward to leading the Club in achieving its community service goals and promoting the brotherhood among its members. Frank has been a member since 2001. He was joined that evening by his seven siblings, wife Barbara and his children.

In addition, Michael Maddelena recognized Daniel Masto Jr. for his 14 years of service as Treasurer. Daniel was recognized for going beyond the normal duties of the Treasurer. He collected invaluable records over his 14 years that have become an asset in decision making for the Club.

The 107 guests who attended the Inaugural Ball enjoyed a wonderful evening from the cocktail hour in the garden, a multi course dinner and a venetian table, dancing and a nightcap under the stars next to the fire pits in the garden.



Outgoing President Michael Maddelena congratulates incoming President Frank Perrotti.

Congratulations to Frank Perrotti, our 77th President, his Officer Team and Board of Directors. We look forward to another successful year of community service and fortifying our Club.

AMITY CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 2013 - 2014

Officers

Frank P. Perrotti - President
 Vincent J. Pacelli, Jr. - Vice President
 William J. Parisi, III - Secretary
 Aniello Marotta - Treasurer
 Michael C. Maddelena - Immediate Past President

Board of Directors

Joseph R. Bozzuto
 Neil R. Rapuano
 John V. Siclari
 Jerry Ucci
 Anthony S. Rossley
 William Ianniello, Jr.
 Thomas Ciesco
 Pasquale Panza
 Robert H. Piscitelli

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT – FRED A. MESSORE



Fred has been an active member of the Amity Club since 2010. Fred, born 1969 in New Haven, CT -Ferdinand Anthony Messore, is first generation Italian/American. He grew up vacationing every summer in Alife, Caserta Italy. Attended Southern Connecticut State University and Greater New Haven State Technical College. Later he went on to be the President of the Alife Society of America for 10 years. When Fred isn't working (and sometimes when he is working), he is raising his teenage daughter and enjoying watching her play sports such as tennis and soccer.

One of Fred's greatest accomplishments early in his career was that of executive director of the non-profit West

Haven Economic Development Corp. His role in the economic development field started him thinking about working in real estate. In that role, the goal was to locate the regional train station in West Haven, when the city and the town of Orange were both vying for that distinction to alleviate the traffic congestion on the highway during rush hour. In that task, Fred helped West Haven win selection for a new Metro North station in 2001 and stayed with the EDC through 2006.

In 2007, Fred joined Colonial Properties, unfortunately coinciding with the crash of the economy. In spite of his beginning with Colonial in a down economy, last year, Fred won top honors for most completed transactions from the Greater New Haven Association of Realtors' Commercial Investment Division. Fred is currently Senior Vice President and Development Specialist.

Also in 2012 Fred also received the Rising Star Award which is presented by the Business New Haven which is a trade publication

in New Haven. The Rising Star Award is given to a person considered up and coming in business. In 2012 he received West Haven Chamber of Commerce "Business Man of the Year".

Fred is currently the Director of Economic Development for the Town of Seymour. In this position he branded the revitalization efforts of Seymour as "The Best Little Downtown in Connecticut" and he also worked on acquiring properties that were not up for sale for construction of a new magnet school in West Haven that is associated with the University of New Haven's engineering department, to include young people in training for a career in engineering.

Fred's success is not a surprise to us at Amity, especially given his philosophy: "Always take on a challenge because it makes us stronger as individuals." We wish Fred continued success and are honored to consider him as one of our brothers.

WELCOME CORNER –

Amity Club new members, May 7, 2013

The Amity Club would like to take the opportunity to welcome 4 new members inducted on May 7, 2013



New members from left to right: Joeseeph Pesticci, Lou Criscuolo, Vincent Gallo, and Prisco Panza.

Joseph Pesticci

Sponsors - William Ianniello Jr and Joseph Nuzzo

Is the CFO of William B. Meyer, Inc. in Stratford. Graduate of Notre Dame H.S. with BS and MBA from Quinnipiac University.

Lou Criscuolo

Sponsors - Frank Perrotti and Mark Perrotti M.D.

Is the Deputy Director of Finance at the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority. Graduate of East Haven H.S. and has a BS from Quinnipiac University.

Vincent Gallo

Sponsors - Michael Maddelena and Joseph DeDomenico

Attorney at Gallo and Associates in New Haven, Graduate of North Haven H.S. and BS University of Connecticut and JD from Quinnipiac Law School. Currently serves as a Captain in the USAF National Guard.

Prisco Panza

Sponsors - Pasquale Panza and Vincent Pacelli Jr.

President of Shelton Winnelson Plumbing and Heating Supply. Graduate of Notre Dame H.S., University of Scranton, and Fairfield University.

- Calendar -
Up Coming Events

July 19, 2013

Amity Club Wine Cruise
Stony Creek Town Dock
6:30 - 9:00

July 31, 2013

Amity Club Wine Cruise
Stony Creek Town Dock
6:00 - 8:30

August 3, 2013

Amity Club Family Picnic
Clear Lake Beach,
North Branford
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

August 5, 2013

Amity Golf Classic
Wallingford Country Club
Registration 10:00 AM
Shotgun Start 12:30 PM



Happy Independence Day!

Do you have a story?

If you have a story or an idea to share with the Club,
please contact us at: newsletter@amityclub.org

The Newsletter Committee:

Thomas Ciesco, Dennis Flanders, Anthony Pinto, and Dom Twohill