

Skaneateles Suntarian

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Skaneateles Sunrise Provisional Rotary Club

Meets every Thursday Mornings, 7-8 am at Johnny Angels, Skaneateles NY

Officers: President, *Doug Hill*; Secretary, *John Rooney*; Treasurer, *Toni Feldmann*

Board Members: *Bill Lynn, Deron Milleville, Rhett Weiss, Elaine Taggart & Tim Lynn*

District Advisor: *Ward Vuillemot*

Skaneateles Rotary Club Support Team: *Bill Stevens, Donn Nottage, Dick Poppa & Peter Anderson*

This Week's Program: 12/05/02 – TBA

Next Week's Program: 12/12/02 – TBA

Last Week's Meeting: 11/21/02 – Wrapping 101

- **Present:** *Ralph Edmonds, Doug Hill, Rhett Weiss, John Rooney, John Paddock, Toni Feldmann, Elaine Taggart, Bill Lynn, Dinah Hadley*
- **Visitarians:** *Ward Vuillemot, Bill Stevens, Dick Poppa of the Skaneateles Evening Club;*
- **Program:** *Fundraiser preparation*

Other Business Discussed:

- **Fundraising_-** Holiday Gift wrapping. Things got kicked off this Thanksgiving weekend but business was a little slow. The Dickens season continues on weekends from Noon - 4 PM until Christmas.
- **Food Pantry** - Tuesday December 10th is the next Food Pantry Day
- **Board Meeting** - This week December 5th after the club meeting – We need to replace Community Service chair and a find a Rotary Foundation chair.

Calendar of Coming Events:

- **Nov 30th** – Gift Wrapping for Dickens Christmas Begins - Weekend afternoons till Christmas.
- **Dec 10th** – Club's Skan Seniors' Food Pantry Project – See Toni if you can help out.

- **Dec 12th** – Skaneateles Evening Club Holiday Benefit Dinner - 6:00 PM at Skaneateles Country Club

Rotary Information:

International Responsibilities of a Rotarian

As an international organization, Rotary offers each member unique opportunities and responsibilities unlike those of other groups one might join. Although each Rotarian has first responsibility to uphold the obligations of citizenship of his or her own country, membership in Rotary enables Rotarians to take a somewhat different view of international affairs. In the early 1950s a Rotary philosophy was adopted to describe how a Rotarian might think on a global basis. Here is what it said: A World-Minded Rotarian

- looks beyond national patriotism and considers himself as sharing responsibility for the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace;
- resists any tendency to act in terms of national or racial superiority;
- seeks and develops common grounds for agreement with peoples of other lands;
- defends the rule of law and order to preserve the liberty of the individual so that he may enjoy freedom of thought, speech and assembly, and freedom from persecution, aggression, want and fear;
- supports action directed toward improving standards of living for all peoples, realizing that poverty anywhere endangers prosperity everywhere;
- upholds the principles of justice for mankind;
- strives always to promote peace between nations and prepares to make personal sacrifices for that ideal;
- urges and practices a spirit of understanding of every other man's beliefs as a step toward international goodwill, recognizing that there are certain basic moral and spiritual standards which will ensure a richer, fuller life."

That is quite an assignment for any Rotarian to practice in thoughts and actions!