

Rotary Club of Pittsford



"Service Above Self"

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Pittsford Rotary Honors Dick Krager for Life-long Community Service

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The Rotary Club of Pittsford is pleased to honor a member of our community who lives by the Rotary motto of "Service above Self" with the Ed Francis Award for Community Service. This year's Award was presented to Dick Krager for his exemplary dedication to helping others.

Dick is an active volunteer, including his work for Cameron Ministries. He spends hours driving for the Elderberry Express and Meals-on-Wheels, as well as for the LPGA Wegmans and Nationwide Xerox Classic golf tournaments. He assists the Genesee Valley Adirondack Club with trimming park trails in Monroe County, and helps out at the Pittsford Food Cupboard.

Dick, a retired math teacher, turned his vocational expertise into volunteer work during tax season for CASH (Creating Assets, Savings, and Hope), a United Ways program. He has served as an advisor and a tax preparer for CASH, helping people prepare their returns as well as helping them access community services to improve their financial progress.

Dick's career initially focused on helping children. He retired in 2003 after a 35-year career teaching math and computer science at Brighton High School. He also served as coach for JV boys' tennis. Dick and his wife, Marilyn, enjoy many activities including traveling, especially to visit children and grandchildren. His influence as an educator was on his three daughters - all of them teachers. Dick plays trumpet in the Honeoye Falls Community Concert Band as well as singing in his church choir.

The Ed Francis Award for Community Service was named in memory of late Pittsford Rotarian, Ed Francis, whose unselfish, upbeat way of helping others was inspirational. In that spirit an outstanding volunteer in our community is recognized for annually their dedication to others in need. Candidates are non-Rotarians nominated by Pittsford Rotary Club members. The recipient must be a resident of Pittsford or employed in our community; is not a member of the Rotary Club of Pittsford yet practices the Rotary motto "Service above Self" in their daily life; and has made a specific contribution in our community.

About the Pittsford Rotary – Pittsford Rotarians benefit from a blend of "Fulfillment, Friendship, and Fun". The Rotary Club of Pittsford, which was chartered in 1940, embodies the philosophy of "Service Above Self". It is an organization of approximately 60 active and retired business and professional men and women who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in our local communities and in the world beyond. In addition to the rewarding experience of service above self, the club provides members with opportunities for personal and professional growth and development in a fun atmosphere of friendship and fellowship. The Rotary Club of Pittsford meets Wednesday Mornings for breakfast from 7:00 AM to approximately 8:15 AM at the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street in the Village of Pittsford, New York. For more information, visit the Rotary Club of Pittsford at <http://www.pittsfordrotary.org>.

Pictures Included

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