

ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES – January 9, 2009

ATTENDEES: Brian Pancoast , Cindy Zahn, Jack McDonald, Meg Columbo, Chauncy Young, Mitch Donovan, Babette Huber, Sue Stehling, Maureen Goodberlet, Kathy Rayburn, Brian Emelson, Pat Evans, Jim Parker

Brian Pancoast mentioned that the Rotary Club will be hosting Senator Nozzolio at the Legacy on 1/28/09 at 6:30 PM. Anyone wishing to attend needs to RSVP back to Brian.

The focus of this meeting dealt with the purpose of the Roundtable and how we can make this a strong communication vehicle between the various organizations in Victor and with the Victor Community.

The Roundtable was started in 1999, and its function was to strengthen community ties and promote a more people/family-oriented community. In 2000, the membership involved any citizen who had an interest in helping the community.

In 2005, The Victor Roundtable was committed to:

- Encourage preservation of natural and historic resources.
- Promote recreational use of the resource.
- Provide continuous educational programs relating to local and regional heritage.
- Enhance economic revitalization through public and private investment.

Task Force 10 has asked how we get information out to the entire Victor community about the Roundtable. Some ideas were:

- Do a newspaper article
- Do a focus story on the front page of the Victor Newsletter
- Have Steve Poyzer do an article in the Victor Herald
- Start and maintain a monthly Community Calendar

Jim Parker stated that there were lots of programs going on "under the radar." The survey done by Task Force 10 showed that people want to be involved and want to contribute to the Quality of Life in Victor. There is a concern that organizations are not collaborating by sharing resources. Task Force 10 feels that they are redundant to the Roundtable and would like to get themselves "out of business".

Kathy Rayburn felt that the Roundtable was beneficial in sharing information, but feels that after we leave the meeting, nothing happens with this information. She also said that she and many others were "meetinged out." We must make sure that we are productive afterwards. The Community Calendar would be a HUGE way to make this happen.

The purpose of the Roundtable was further stated as a way to share meetings and events.

Brian Pancoast also felt that the Community Calendar was critical, and that the Rotary may want to partner with other organizations to make events happen in Victor. He sees the Roundtable as a way to brainstorm ideas and pull organizations together to make them happen. He used the example of the Town Hall Grand Opening – that if other organizations had partnered together, that it could have been an even grander event. Communications need to also take place with community organizations such as the Boy Scouts, the 4-H Club, school groups, etc.

Cindy Zahn suggested that Betty Barry may be able to add another category on the Town website for partnering, and even add the Chamber's list of business contacts.

The Community Calendar was a popular suggestion, but there was concern on how to maintain it. A suggestion was made that Betty might be able to give organizations their own password to access the Community Calendar on the Town's website so that they are responsible for inputting their own information on a weekly/monthly basis. A question arose on how far in advance do you put information on the calendar?

ACTION ITEM: Tina will get with Task Force 4 and see if they can benchmark websites from other communities in the study that they are currently doing. (This has been passed on to Task Force 4 for action).

Tina suggested that we incorporate the website announcement with the "moving" postcard that will be sent out from the Clerk's office later this month. The group felt that this may be a little too soon and thought that we should put a note in the Town newsletter when the website is ready.

Everyone agreed that this is about developing relationships.

Chauncy Young supplied an example of a website with "meet up" groups, which we may be able to simulate. Every group is responsible for inputting their own stuff. The Secretary of each organization would be responsible for this function. We can send out e-mails to groups to have them join a list server.

AOL 9.1 - Connected, Signed-On - [Victor, NY Meetup Groups - Meetup.com]

Victor, NY

What's happening this week? Newest & largest

13 Meetup Groups (13)

Arts & Entertainment (11)	Business & Career (14)	Communities & Lifestyle (11)
Culture & Language (8)	Education (3)	Health & Support (11)
Hobbies (13)	Internet & Technology (6)	Parenting & Family (11)
Pets & Animals (8)	Politics & Activism (1)	Religion & Spirituality (8)
Science (1)	Social (12)	Sports & Recreation (3)

113 Meetup Groups within 25 mi

- The Victor Scrapbooking Meetup Group**
Have a great time socializing, for conversation, inspiration and fun! Come for a Scrapbook and Meetup to learn techniques for preserving your treasured moments, share techniques, and make tea on page layouts. Even class-along ways to scrap!
Next Meetup: Jan 6, 2009 at 6:30 PM
Nextup topics: Scrapbooking
less than 5 miles away
Victor, NY
22 Scrapbookers
- No Limits 2009 Weight Loss Challenge**
Instead of wishing until the first of the year to start your new fitness program, START NOW! Why wait until the damage is done, instead of getting weight loss focus on losing it. Starting December 22 we will be doing a contest to see who can!
Next Meetup: Jan 13, 2009 at 7:00 PM
Nextup topics: Weight Loss, Exercise, Nutrition, Wellness
0.7 miles away
Ferdinand, NY
14 Fitness Buffs
- YOGA 1 YOGA 1 YOGA 1 - Rochester & Finger Lakes Meetup Group**
Meet other local people who practice yoga regularly. Plan retreats and assist each other in advancing. Simply share the joy of yoga with other enlightened yoga and support this group is for those kula groups who have discovered yoga and can!
Nextup topics: Yoga, Wellness, Health, Nutrition, Wellness
1.2 miles away
Shenandoah, NY
27 Yogis
- Single Parents Club of PWD**
1.6 miles away
Ferdinand, NY
69 Single Parents

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Victor, NY

What's happening this week? Newest & largest

30 Meetups within 25 mi

Friday, Jan 9, 2009

- 12:00 PM The Rochester Business Coaching Meetup Group
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- 5:30 PM Cards and Play at Six Packets and "No Bannisters"
The Rochester Scrap Meetup Group

Saturday, Jan 10, 2009

- 10:00 AM History and the Art of PET
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- 11:00 AM Natural Health Fair
The Rochester Health and Fitness Meetup Group
- 12:00 PM Constitution Party of Rochester Meetup
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- Second Saturday's at Addison Mill
Rochester Nature and Arts Meetup Group
- The Rochester Business Strategy and Networking Meetup Group
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Sunday, Jan 11, 2009

- 10:00 AM Thought Exchange & Visual Learning Meetup
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- 11:30 AM Cheesecake Breakfast at The Winfield Grill
Friends in Rochester Area Meetup Group
- 12:00 PM Football Playoff's week
The Rochester Single Parents Group
- 2:00 PM Ladies' Club
The Rochester Branch Club Meetup Group

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Other Info from Chauncy:

Round Table Meeting – purpose of this meeting

1. Face to face with other leaders to get to know them
 - a. This would be hard to duplicate
 - b. Does not need to be monthly
 - i. Example – schools community leaders – this is a one way, however, a different model could be more interactive
2. Exchange of ideas/information/events
 - a. Need an event calendar that has public access – see meetup.com screen shots
 - b. Blog where anyone can comment and follow a string
 - c. Community forums
 - i. groups like VHT could do presentations annually
 - ii. maybe 4 or 5 presentations per forum
3. Discuss issues
 - a. Provide a forum to discuss community wide issues
 - i. Example – the effect of state budget cuts
 - b. Could call special meetings as needed involving specific players instead of the whole
4. Minutes of any meeting/discussion need to be accessible to the community at large
 - a. Transparency for government
 - b. Reduces freedom of information act inquiries
 - c. Needs to be timely – x number of day after the meetings from a previous meeting are approved.

VHT

1. Hike tomorrow – Harriet Hollester Park
2. Lining up projects for 2009

Fishers Fire District

1. Elections
 - a. Steve Limbeck new commissioner
 - b. I was reelected to 9th term
2. Paid firefighter issue brought up at organizational meeting and District will be hiring 4 firefighters in the near future

Mitch suggested using the Chamber newsletter and website to get the info out on a weekly basis. We do need to be cautious because not all groups have Internet access.

Jack Marren stated that we were looking at what Task Forces are being absorbed into other areas, and this may be where Task Force 10 fits in. This may also fit in with Task Force 1's Communication Plan.

The Roundtable should be an 8:00AM-9:00AM meeting once a month, and everyone should come in with events/ideas that their organizations need help with. The groups can get information out to the Roundtable participants in advance so that people can come in ready to share ideas. Only items on the agenda will be discussed. Mitch referred to this concept as "networking for action."

Meg Columbo stated that she enjoys hearing the individual reports from everyone on the events that are taking place. This information helps out the Finger Lakes Visitors Bureau.

So..what should the focus of the Roundtable be?

All agreed that it needs to continue, but that we must establish a new vision.

ACTION ITEM: A subcommittee was formed, consisting of Brian Pancoast, Mitch Donovan, Kathy Rayburn, Sue Stehling, Task Force 10, and Jack Marren. They will meet on February 2nd at 3:15 PM in the Supervisor's conference room at the new Town Hall to discuss vision ideas. They will send out their vision ideas to the current Roundtable membership prior to the February Roundtable meeting so that everyone can come prepared to discuss and finalize the vision statement.

Nick Cretekos at Papa Jacks has a new "Commercial TV" service and would like to advertise these types of events on it.

ACTION ITEM: Kathy Rayburn will send the Roundtable members his e-mail address.

ACTION ITEM: Tina will give Babette a list of Roundtable members and the organizations that they represent. (Completed)

The next Roundtable meeting will be on Friday, February 6th, at 8:00 AM in the main meeting room of the new Town Hall.