



CHARLOTTE COMMUNITY NEWS

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A Publication of the Charlotte Community Association - our 60th year serving Charlotte- A Community that Cares!

Charlotte Community Association Mission and Vision Statements

MISSION: To build a stronger community and to enhance the lives of our residents by providing a forum for sharing information, connecting neighbors and stakeholders, and fostering civic engagement while preserving and promoting the heritage of the Village of Charlotte.
VISION: A safe, vibrant, and inviting place to live, work and visit; a family-friendly community and a year-round destination celebrated for its rich history and natural resources.

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Upcoming General Meetings 2024:

January 8

February 5

March 4

April 1

May 6

June 3

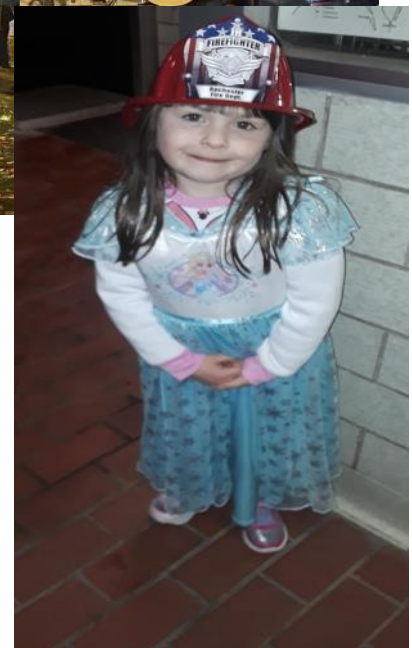
Annual Tree Lighting

Thank you to the entire community for a successful Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 4, 2023. It was a great social time, with many new faces attending . We appreciate that **RFD Engine 19** is so willing to allow us the use of their house. Big thanks to volunteers **Brian Labigan** and **Marlene LaRocca** for their

assistance with lighting the tree and serving refreshments. Equal thanks to **Pastor Banks** and **Deacon Joe** for adding a spiritual note. And special thanks to the **All In Brass Band** for providing entertainment to keep it fun for all. **CCA** provided poppers,(an exploding burst of confetti , just air) for the children.



This little girl enjoyed the night so much! She even liked the poppers. Thank you to Mom and Dad who allowed us the use of the photo. This is the community we cherish!



Abundant Grace Church Congregation of Grace Communion International

4292 Lake Avenue
Rochester, NY 14612



Pastor Leonard A. Banks
(home) 585-271-2394

Sunday Service: 10 A.M.

Abundant Grace Church
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4th Friday of Each Month

Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church

4492 Lake Avenue . Rochester, NY 14612
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Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday, 5:00 PM . Sunday, 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Daily Mass Schedule:
Monday, 8:30 AM . Thursday, 5:30 PM . Friday, 8:30 AM

Office Open: Mondays, 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM

Food Pantry Open: Thursdays, 2:30 to 4:30 PM

Pastor: Very Rev. William G. Coffas, VF



LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



4409 Lake Avenue Rochester, N.Y. 14612
585-633-1082
Pastor Ray Poling

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Open Doors

11:00 am Worship Service
Followed by a Coffee Hour
Additional parking at corner of Lake Ave. & Stutson St.
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Good News to be shared with all:

Jennifer Cherelin was recognized by the City of Rochester for a Public Service Award.

Jennifer as a part time librarian created a food distribution program to reach the food insecure with in the city.

Her program picks up undistributed food from various vendors and organizations through out the county and gives it away.

Jennifer who has a food policy background, spends several hours of her own time each week making the distribution happen.

She has been running this program during the first Saturday of each month out of the Charlotte Branch Library.

She serves almost 100 families each month.

Congratulation Jennifer.



**Compliments of
Carl Giardino**



Joseph D. Morelle - U.S. Representative for New York

The first year of the 118th Congress was a unique legislative journey, marked by unprecedented challenges. Despite the tumult in Washington, I am immensely proud of all that we have accomplished for our community in 2023.

Commitment to Community Resources and Quality of Life

As your representative, my most important responsibility is to secure the resources necessary to build a higher quality of life for families in our community. In 2023, I was proud to secure federal support for vital local projects, including Monroe Community College, Willow Domestic Violence Center, University of Rochester Medical Center, among others. These projects and organizations are helping breathe new life into our neighborhoods and are paving the way for a brighter future. Additionally, my office successfully returned over \$11 million in federal benefits that were owed to community members—a figure we aim to increase in 2024!

Fostering Innovation and Global Recognition

2023 marked a significant year for innovation in Rochester. Our region is rich with world-class educational institutions, research facilities, and hundreds of innovative local businesses. In October, our efforts bore fruit as the Buffalo-Rochester-Syracuse Region was designated a Regional Technology Hub by the United States Department of Commerce. This milestone, a result of bipartisan

efforts and legislation I helped author, will attract substantial investment to our region—ultimately creating new jobs and strengthening our economic outlook. I look forward to sharing more exciting developments soon.

Leadership in Federal Election Oversight

This year was my first as Ranking Member of the Committee on House Administration, the committee responsible for federal election oversight, House of Representatives operations, and cultural institutions like the Library of Congress. In this capacity, I spearheaded legislation to safeguard voting rights, countered efforts to restrict voting access, and advocated for reforms to enhance the efficiency of Congress.

Looking Forward: Priorities for 2024

Looking ahead to 2024, my focus remains on delivering results on the issues that matter most to our community: lowering costs and improving the quality of life for families, bolstering our local economy, and enhancing public safety. Should you have any questions about my work in Congress, please do not hesitate to visit my website at morelle.house.gov or contact my office to learn more.

All the best,

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- ◆ Help to celebrate our Bicentennial in 2022
- ◆ Climb the tower to view the river and lake
- ◆ Visit the War of 1812 Peace Garden
- ◆ Explore the exhibits to experience the maritime history of the port & old Village of Charlotte

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Jose Peo - NW City Councilman

As I bid farewell to my role as your city councilman, I am filled with gratitude for the incredible privilege of representing such a vibrant and engaged community. Serving Charlotte has been an incredible honor, and I am humbled by the experiences and lessons gained during my tenure. Together, we navigated challenges, celebrated successes, and forged a stronger community. Your unwavering support and active participation have been the driving force behind our shared accomplishments. The lessons learned here will undoubtedly shape my continued commitment to

public service. As I embark on a new chapter as a leader on the board of the Charlotte Community Association, I carry with me the insights and dedication fostered in the GREAT NW District. The journey ahead holds the promise of further collaboration and positive change. I am excited to apply the knowledge gained here to contribute meaningfully to the Charlotte community. Thank you for entrusting me with the responsibility of representing you. It has been a privilege to serve, and I look forward to the continued growth and prosperity of the Charlotte community.

Jose Peo, NW Councilman, City of Rochester

Please it is time to renew !



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♦ Couples (any 2 people at the same address)	\$40.00
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