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Beautiful People Charlie Sacco

To put it plainly, Charlie Sacco is an all-around good guy. He's proven that time and time again with his service to our village. Charlie has volunteered with the Knights of Columbus, both locally with the Port Chester Council as its financial secretary, hall manager and is the current Westchester Putnam Chapter president. He serves as the treasurer for the Columbus Day Celebration Committee. Charlie also raised dollars for St. Joseph's Seminary and the Special Olympics.

How about all those home-cooked meals? We all know Charlie's culinary generosity is legendary. He cooked every Wednesday for eight years at the Holy Rosary Soup Kitchen and helped as the Center's bookkeeper. Charlie also served as the BSA Unit Commissioner for the Boy Scout units in Port Chester and Rye Brook, as well as chairing the local Catholic Relations Committee that hosts the annual Scout Breakfast.

When asked what his favorite way to volunteer was, Charlie recalled fondly the seven years he and his wife Toni cooked for the parish priests of Our Lady



Charlie and Toni Sacco

of Mercy. Charlie and Toni got to know each of the priests and felt they were doing something great.

So, why does Charlie give back so much? "I am motivated knowing that a stranger paid for me to go to summer camp when I was young. I promised to serve and be an example to the people around me when I received the Eagle Scout rank. The words sunk in. I took it seriously. Still do. We are lucky that we are able to give. We have known hard times. Whether it is a donation of time or money, we would rather be giving than needing."

Charlie says he owes so much to St. Peter, his parents, Deacon Billy from Our Lady of the Rosary, Joe Ribuffo and his children. Most of all, he talks about his wife, Toni. "She encourages, condones and accepts my ideas, benefits and other activities. Without her I'm nothing."

Charlie Sacco, Port Chester surely is something because you live here. Now, let's eat!

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