



Partridge Holiday Event 2019

There was no shortage of holiday cheer when the Partridge Club and its guests gathered for its annual holiday celebration last month.

EYE joined fellow Partridge Club members in welcoming the holiday season at the club's annual holiday shindig at the New York Athletic Club. Partridge's holiday event is always a grand celebration of the foodservice industry as leaders from all segments of the industry come together to celebrate. From the area's top country club managers including Winged Foot's Colin Burns and Beach Point's Randy Ruder to the movers and shakers in the contract feeding business (RA's Dick Cattani), the NYAC was packed with the best and the brightest operating stars.

Kudos again to the amazing Richard Block who unexpectedly ascended to the presidency of the organization last year and has truly created a vision for the 75 year old plus organization.

Following a tradition of kicking off the festivities with a touch of humor, the Partridge Club welcomed up and coming NYC based comedian Eric Neuman to the stage and he left the group roaring.

EYE toasted the holidays with educators including: Liz Schaible of NYC College of Technology, and Steve Shipley of Johnson & Wales. EYE enjoyed the camaraderie of such food and beverage leaders as Fresh and Tasty's Peter Fernandez, Dennis Murphy of Opici. The Partridge Club was formed in 1935 at the Victoria Hotel in New York City. The membership was made up of leading purveyors to the hotel,

club and restaurant trade. The Holiday luncheon brought the mission of the Partridge Foundation to raise scholarship funds for institutions of higher learning and to provide training for students pursuing a career in the Hospitality Industry. Among the industry's top equipment and supply professionals who celebrated were: M. Tucker's Eric Santagato and PBAC's Michael Posternak, Larry Cantamessa, and Steve Bauer. EYE can't say enough about the Partridge Club's scholarship initiatives, which are led by Marc Sarrazin of DeBragga and Spitler. Once again with the meat maven's lead Par-

tridge grants went to such noted institutions as the Culinary Institute of America, Johnson and Wales, Cornell University, Paul Smith College and the New York State Restaurant Association's Educational Foundation.

Under the guidance of the club's President Dick Block and a visionary Board, the club continues to fulfill its mission of making a culinary or hospitality education a reality for many students with its scholarship programs. The club is on track for a great 2020 of events and new members as the Partridge board member Princeton Club GM Jason Pallen has attracted

a number of new members to the organization.



(L to R) VA Hospital's Mimi Wang and Larry Cantamessa of PBAC



Patrick Lamont of Maimonides Medical and president of the Metro NY AHF and the healthcare feeding organization's board made a scholarship presentation to the Partridge Club



(L to R) Restaurant Associates' Dick Cattani and Gina Zimmer of Elmor, who collaborated for many years, shared a holiday toast



(L to R) Cater to You's father and daughter duo of Anthony and Giuliette Trentacosti



(L to R) The JPMorgan Chase's Bill Adams and Barbara Boden with Corey Silverstein of Flik



(L to R) Longtime Partridge board member Roger Oliver of Tempostions and Brooklyn Brewery's Garrett Oliver




(R to L) Partridge president Richard Block presented a Foundation scholarship to City Tech's Liz Schaible



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