



# ARM

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## Allegany Region Missions

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*Mission Statement of Allegany Region Missions*  
"Allegany Region Missions provides a multi-denominational Christian mission ministry to the needy of the world, through a focus on mission projects and programs in medical, surgical, construction and education."

### On Our Way to Non-profit & 501c3 Status

Non-profit corporation status of ARM from New York State should be granted soon and applying for federal tax-exempt status will follow. The formation of ARM will make fund-raising easier in many ways. We have been blessed in the past with having the East Randolph United Methodist Church maintain our funds, but as we have grown, so have our fund-raising needs. Forming our own non-profit, non-denominational group will open the door for companies, clubs and more to be willing to donate to our projects. For those of you who love Christian Service International (CSI), we will continue to work with them and through them for our mission endeavors.

Dave Messinger has been working with Randy Lewis, a lawyer from Fessenden, Laumer and DeAngelo; Randy is helping us with our non-profit corporation and 501c3 applications on a pro-bono basis. Dave and Randy have sent in the non-profit corporation paperwork to New York State and as soon as we are granted our status, the application for the 501c3 status will be sent. At the Board of Directors meeting in July, the application for the 510c3 status was review and will be ready soon.

Being granted 501c3 status can take 3-4 months, since the first submission is often rejected and will require updates and resubmission. Hopefully, ARM will be a full non-profit, tax-exempt corporation by the beginning 2004.

### Announcing the Board of Directors and Officers of ARM

The Board of Directors of ARM and Officers are listed as follows. At the next full meeting of ARM, other positions, including a Public Relations Chairperson, a Surgical Mission Leader, a Construction Ministry Leader, a Music Ministry Leader, a Fundraising Chairperson, a Membership Chairperson, and more, will need to be filled. Mark the date of the next full meeting (Aug. 17) so you can help make these important decisions.

- Board of Directors**
- David Messinger  
President
  - Mary Rappole  
Vice President
  - Michele Harms  
Secretary
  - Judy Messinger  
Treasurer
  - Donald Cable
  - Lillian Cable
  - Sam Huffman
  - James Kenney
  - Charles Lindberg
  - Maureen Lindberg
  - Bert Rappole
  - Abel Roy
  - Dennis Zink

### Krispy Kreme Fund-Raising—A Hit !

The last Krispy Kreme sale saw 400 dozen donuts being delivered to tummies around the county. Sam Huffman "won" the most sold with Mary Rappole not far behind.

The proceeds from the sale are split with 50% going to the mission supplies and 50% going to the individual for mission travel.

The cost of the donuts has increased, so we are currently making \$2 out of the \$5 cost per box sold. Some groups have raised the cost of their donuts to \$6. This decision to also raise the cost will need to be addressed at a full member meeting.



The next Krispy Kreme sale will have a delivery date of Friday, *September 12, 2003*. Those interested in helping in this fund-raising project should contact Molly Lindberg at 716-358-3046 (home) or 716-483-3799 (work) for collection envelopes.



### Fun At the Races While Raising Money

On July 3rd and 4th, ARM ran the East Randolph United Methodist Church's food booth at the Cattaraugus Fairgrounds.

A midst the cooking hotdogs and hamburgers and serving customers, fun was had by all as we raised money for future ARM mission projects.

ARM will operate the ERUMC food booth two more times before the summer is over. Mark your calendar and help serve on one or both of these dates. Teams of 6-8 helpers or more are needed each night. Each night runs from 4pm to 11pm; come for the whole time

or share time with a teammate. Next ARM food booth days:

**August 22nd (Friday)**

**September 6th (Saturday)**

Please contact Sam Huffman at 716-358-3492 (home) or at [shuffman@agway.com](mailto:shuffman@agway.com) so we can plan on your help.



**Dates to remember :**

**Full Member Meeting:**  
August 17th, Sunday at 6:30pm  
at Bemus Point United Methodist Church - potluck dinner

**Cattaraugus fairgrounds food booth fund-raiser:**

1. August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Friday
2. September 6<sup>th</sup>, Saturday

**Krispy Kreme sale:**  
September 12<sup>th</sup> (delivery date)

**Director's meeting:**  
September 16, Tuesday, 7:15pm

## Treadle Sewing Machines Needed

Sam Huffman has begun collecting treadle sewing machines and other machinery (carpentry, etc.) that run on belts. These machines will become part of the Vo-tech school being built by Fan Fan Janvier in Haiti. Those of you who have gone on a trip with CSI to Haiti have met this wonderful man with a burdened heart



for his people. Fan Fan's dream is to provide a school for children during the day and Vo-tech training for adults in afternoon/evening classes. Treadle sewing machines are just the beginning of

this dream. Sam has been talking with the Amish about the preparations necessary for making sure the school is built to accommodate a belt-run system. When you are out garage-sale hunting this summer, keep your eye open for machines that would be perfect for Fan Fan's school.

## Future Mission Trip Plans Underway, Dates Set

**January 24—February 1, 2004; Haiti:**

Women's Health mission trip. This team will be headed by Mary Rappole and will need 4-6 workers.

**January 29—February 8, 2004; Haiti:**

Surgical and Mobile Medical mission trip. The surgical team will have 6-8 members and the mobile medical team can total anywhere from 10-15 persons. The mobile medical team can be staffed by persons with little or no medical training to fill positions not requiring healthcare degrees. There is a spot for everybody.



**April 10—18, 2004; Haiti:**

Construction, education and mobile medical mission trip. Team leader will be Molly Lindberg.

**April 10—18, 2004; Jamaica:**

Traveling music ministry headed by Lance Anderson and his family.



## Puppet Ministry Raises \$550

The Puppet Ministry, under the direction of Sam Huffman, raised \$500 toward Fan Fan's school project.

The money was raised through free-will offerings made by area churches and organizations at which the Puppet Ministry gave their presentation. The money has already been forwarded to Fan Fan through CSI.



## ERUMC & International Day

On Wednesday, August 27, 2003, the Jamaica Mission Team of the East Randolph United Methodist Church Jamaica team will be presenting their experience in Jamaica utilizing a multi-media presentation. International Day is held every year at Chautauqua Institution and is sponsored by the Hurlbert Church.

## Possible Opportunities in Haiti and Jamaica

**October 18—26, 2003; Haiti:**

Not enough interest at this time to proceed. Construction trip to build a 3-room schoolhouse in Golette (similar to the other new pavilion-style classrooms). If you are interested, call Mary Rappole. A team leader is needed.



**Fall 2003 (November ?); Jamaica:**

Carpentry team is needed to help re-roof a school closed by the government. 4-6 workers are needed to help in this endeavor. Call Molly Lindberg if you are interested in joining this team. A team leader is needed.

Mary Rappole: 716-487-2100

Ya'll Come !!!

## EVERYONE INVITED Potluck Dinner in Bemus

All past mission-travelers and everyone who is interested in going on a future trip are invited to the ARM full-member meeting being held at the Bemus Point United Methodist Church on August 17th (Sunday) at 6:30 pm. Bring a dish to pass and after dinner there will be a great time of planning and sharing.

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