



CLUB MEMBERS ARE DIGGING F.T. PROCTOR PARK SERVICE PROJECT

Several club members and special friends kicked off the first week of the club's service project on Thursday, August 13, and Saturday, August 15. Volunteers began cleaning up and beautifying an approximately 20-yard-long shrub bed located at the park pavilion parking lot.

Thanks to members Israel Acosta, Tina Pavlot, Phil Bean, Dave Jones, Stewart Williams, Joe Caruso, Deb Burke, Darby O'Brien, Cindy Dardano, Travis Rabbers, Roger Frank, Joe Caruso and friends Ryan Pavlot and Karlie Wolfe. More pictures can be viewed at the club website: [Photos](#).



Last week for Hope House collection

Norma Montagnino-Gemza is collecting hygiene products for Hope House from August 2-22.

Products for men, women and children should be new and in original unopened packages. Please drop off your donation to Norma, 8 Herthum Road (small garage door), Whitesboro; at Rotary Meetings; or if you are downtown you may drop off items to Norma at The Bird's Next Vintage Boutique Thrift, 102 Eagle Street on Wednesdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. during August 2-22, 2020.

Questions may be addressed to Norma at normamg@yahoo.com.

Products needed:

- Shampoo • Conditioner • Bar Soap
- Liquid Soap • Toothpaste
- Tooth brushes • Mouthwash
- Body lotion • Razors • Deodorant
- Shaving Cream • Combs
- Hairbrushes • Sanitary Items

Deadline for next newsletter (8/24) is Sunday, August 23 at noon;
submit to news@uticarotaryclub.org

This Week's Program

by Travis Rabbers



Our speaker for the August 21 meeting will be Kari Procopio, Chief Operations Officer for the YWCA in Utica.

She has been in the position for nearly two years and been with the YWCA for over five years. Before joining the YWCA, Kari held the position of

Project Manager at Brockett Creative Group and Director of Communications for the American Red Cross of the Mohawk Valley. Kari is a Utica resident and attended Utica College.

FRIDAY | Aug. 21 | 12 p.m.
Delta Hotel by Marriott Utica
200 Genesee St.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a buffet lunch will NOT be available; water and coffee will be available. Social distancing guidelines will be followed and attendees must wear a mask during the meeting. Please bring your own mask; none will be provided.

Pride of Workmanship Nominations being accepted

The Rotary Club of Utica is soliciting nominations from the community for this year's Pride of Workmanship Awards Program. Since 1990, the club has recognized outstanding contributions by employees in all businesses, industries and organizations.

The Pride of Workmanship Awards Program will be held on Friday, October 16, 2020 at 12 p.m.

Nominations are being accepted through September 17, 2020. The nomination form can be downloaded from the [Pride of Workmanship web page](#). Please spread the word!

COMMITTEE NEWS

Looking to get involved? Rotary Club of Utica has several active committees. Contact a committee chair to join a committee or contact President Israel if interested in chairing a committee.

Youth Exchange Deb Burke

Rotoract Dom Passalacqua

RYLA Jim Day

Interact Jim Day

Urban Concerns **NEED CHAIR**

Communication Michelle Brandstadt

Meeting Service Natalie Brown

Membership **NEED CHAIR**

Outstanding Educator Awards Bart Gorman

Quiet Giver's Award Roger Breslow

Pride of Workmanship Roxanne Mutchler

Veteran's Outreach Mary Ann Hallak-Serwatka

Special Needs Party **NEED CHAIR**

RI Foundation **NEED CHAIR**

August 2020

Calendar of Events

8/7 Weekly Meeting
FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | Delta Hotel

8/13 Weekly Meeting – Service Project
THURSDAY 5-7 p.m. | F.T. Proctor Park

8/15 Weekly Meeting – Service Project
SATURDAY 8-10 a.m. | F.T. Proctor Park

8/17 Board Meeting 1 p.m.

8/21 Weekly Meeting
FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | Delta Hotel

8/27 Weekly Meeting – Social
THURSDAY 5 p.m. | Woodland Brewery

Note: please be sure to check the newsletter or the [club website](#) calendar for current meeting information.