



March 2, 2020

## What have you done today to make you feel proud?

**Fellow Rotarians, RSVP today for this week's Rotary meeting with the link that follows below to confirm a) that you are attending; b) whether you wish to order lunch; and c) whether you will be bringing a guest. In this way, we can limit waste of food and resources. Click [Lunch Meeting RSVP](#) today! We look forward to seeing you!**

**THIS WEEK (3/5, Yahnundasis, noon), our program is: "HOW DO YOU ROTARY?" - Club members look inside themselves to help shape the Club's future." Presenter: YOU!**

Seriously, folks: we need **all** of you to attend and express your opinions on any club-related thing important to you, from the day and time we meet, and where, to the projects we support, and how we support them – service fund, fund-raisers, etc. President-elect **Israel Acosta** will lead a brainstorming session, and the information



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obtained will be shared with the club's board of directors.

This is the week to say, "You know, I'm going to re-schedule (that other appointment) because I really need to be at Rotary." **Your input matters.** Rotary today (*photo, left*), may not look like the group assembled for lunch at the Hotel Utica in 1943 – we're more diverse, and I would say more representative of the community as a whole - but



we are the latest chapter in the Rotary Club of Utica legacy, and are charged with continuing the good community work of our predecessors, finding new ways to assure that **Service Above Self** remains the order of the day. **Come help shape our future! Please [RSVP your attendance TODAY](#).** Another great opportunity to **bring a guest**, and **SHARE ROTARY!**

**Please look to the Rotary Club of Utica [Facebook page](#) and/or [website](#) for a more complete recap of previous meetings.**

**LAST WEEK, Tim Reed**, director emeritus of the Boilermaker Road Race, drawing on his personal story, presented on the early detection of cancer campaign, **“Real Men Get Tested”**, which is conducted in cooperation with the Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties. **Thank you, Tim, for your informative - and potentially lifesaving - presentation!**



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### *What's Your thing?*

Do what you wanna do! Rotarians are people of diverse interests and talents. Share yours in your own program at a weekly meeting. For more information, contact [Israel](#) or [Travis](#) today!



### *Outstanding Educator Program News*

*Bart Gorman, Chair; Jessica Merrell (RCIL) and Marie Masca (Total Solutions), committee* This week, we'll welcome back **New York Mills High School** seniors **Nina Fellone** and **Holly Simon**. Be

prepared to provide a warm welcome to our student guests.







PS: There's always room for one or two more on the committee if you'd like to help, especially with the end-of-the-school-year (May 7) awards luncheon. **Contact Bart, Marie, or Jessica for more info.**



### **Utica Rotary Calendar:**

*Great opportunities to invite a guest and **SHARE ROTARY!***



-  **Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>: “How Do You Want to Rotary?” A Club Looks at Itself**
-  **Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>: The US Census**
-  **Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>: Rotary Club of Utica turns 105!**
-  **Thurs., March 19 luncheon: Club Assembly**
-  **Thurs., March 26 luncheon: CABVI's New Wellness Center ( **offsite** )**
-  **Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>: Rotary Club of Utica “Service Above Self” Gala Evening**

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**Save the date: Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>:**  
*Rotary Club of Utica*  
*"Service Above Self" Gala:*

For 105 years, Utica Rotarians have given back to their community, individually and collectively, in ways large and small. At this end-of-the-Rotary-year celebration, we'll honor those in our club *and in the*

*larger community* who have lived the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self." And, we'll pass the gavel to the next leader of our club. More on the award nomination process at a later time, but for now, save the date – you won't want to miss it! Featuring Utica Rotarian/Past President/ District Governor Nominee **Dana Jerrard** and his band, **Soul Injection**. It's going to be one great night! Tickets are limited, so get yours today.



***Looking for a Few Good Rotarians:*** New to Rotary and looking for an avenue to service? Been with Rotary awhile but want to re-engage? Have we got opportunities for you! Looking for committee chairs or committee persons for the following: 1) Urban Affairs Committee; 2) Weekly Program Committee; Weekly Set-Up Committee; 3) Outstanding Educators Committee. Contact Joe at [JPCaruso12@gmail.com](mailto:JPCaruso12@gmail.com)

***In Memoriam:*** Our heartfelt condolences go out to Past President **Norm Kolb** and family on the passing of his wife, **Shirley Anne Kolb** on February 29, at the age of 91. Shirley was an active member and former president of **Women of Rotary**, and was named a Paul Harris Fellow. She was also greatly active in fundraising for St. Elizabeth Hospital, from which she received the Eleanor Nelson Award for distinguished service. Norm and Shirley retired to Fredericksburg, VA. A celebration of Shirley's life will take place at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Triangle, VA. More information can be found [here](#).



*Looking forward to seeing you this THURSDAY (3/5) noon at the Yahnundasis for our Rotary Club of Utica weekly luncheon!*

*In Rotary Service,*  
*Joe Caruso*  
President, 2019-2020  
Rotary Club of Utica, NY USA

