



November 2, 2020

### Scare Away Polio event raises over \$800

On Saturday, October 31, Rotary Club of Utica hosted a "Scare Away Polio" walk at F.T. Proctor Park to raise awareness that polio still exists in two countries. About 45 Rotarians, family, and friends braved the 30° temperatures on a beautiful fall morning to participate in the walk and contribute financially. One of the friends who joined us, Kay Garfield, is a polio survivor and shared her story with us. Her story can be viewed on our Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/uticarotary/videos/797934914334732>

The walk and online donations have raised \$885 to date.



### Club donates \$2,800 to COVID-19 response funds

*Submitted by Jerry Kraus*

The Rotary Club of Utica recently donated \$1,000.00 to the local COVID-19 Response Fund. The fund is a joint venture between The Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties, Inc. and the United Way of the Valley and Greater Utica. The money was raised through the sale of special edition New York Tough t-shirts, hoodies and coffee mugs. The apparel and mugs were emblazoned with an image designed by local graphic artist and Rotarian, Devon Hoffman, and includes five "word art" messages filling out the outline of New York State, including: "New York Tough"; "Stop The Spread"; "Save Lives"; "One Day At A Time"; and "Together We Can".

This recent donation is part of a total of \$2,800.00 donated so far including a previous \$500.00 donation that went to the local COVID-19 Response Fund. The Rotary Club of Utica also made a \$1,000.00 donation to the regional Rotary District 7150 COVID-19 Response Fund and a donation of \$300.00 worth of meals as a "Thank You" to local hospital workers.



Photo (L-R): Carli Sterling (United Way), Alicia Dicks (Community Foundation), Joe Caruso, Stephen Turnbull, Tina Pavlot and Kristyn Bucciero Beckwith (United Way)

Deadline for next newsletter (11/9) is Sunday, November 8, at noon;  
submit to [news@uticarotaryclub.org](mailto:news@uticarotaryclub.org)

## Natalie Brown named to 2020 Historical Hall of Fame & Living Legends

Congratulations to Natalie Brown, who was named by the Oneida County History Center to the Richard W. Couper “Living Legends” class of 2020 as a nonprofit champion.



She will be honored at the annual Historical Hall of Fame/Living Legends Awards Celebration, which will be held virtually on November 12, 2020 starting at 6:00 pm.

Additional information and ticket purchase can be found on the [History Center website](#).

### November Calendar of Events

- 11/6 Weekly Meeting – TECT Power  
**FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | via Zoom**
- 11/13 Weekly Meeting – Utica College  
**FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | via Zoom**
- 11/16 Board Meeting 1 p.m. | via Zoom
- 11/20 Weekly Meeting – Lyme Disease  
**FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | via Zoom**
- 11/27 **NO MEETING** - Thanksgiving Day

## Rotary Club of Utica Committees

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
- Rotaract ..... Dom Passalacqua
- RYLA..... Jim Day
- Interact ..... Jim Day
- Urban Concerns..... **NEED CHAIR**
- Communication ..... Michelle Brandstadt
- Meeting Service ..... Natalie Brown
- Membership ..... Joe Caruso/Ken Williams
- 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**

## This Week’s Program

Submitted by Travis Rabbers

William Brown is the Operations Manager for TECT Power, which earlier this year was acquired by Whitcraft. TECT Power is a leader in closed-die forge, specializing in unique and difficult to forge contoured shapes. William has served as Operations Manager for the past 5 years. Prior to that, William worked at Remington Arms and received his MBA at Utica College.

**FRIDAY | November 6 | 12 p.m.  
Via Zoom**

