



Thea Bowman House to benefit from Not So Silent Night Gift Auction and more fun added

The committee for Not So Silent Night Gift Auction has chosen to donate all proceeds from the event to the [Thea Bowman House](#). The organization has been serving low-income, at-risk children and families in the Utica community for over 30 years.

Presented by the Rotary Club of Utica, the Not So Silent Night Gift Auction is an evening for members and their family and friends to come together in the spirit of Rotary fellowship and holiday giving. This event will be held in person (limited to 50) and virtually via Zoom.

Attendees, in person or virtually, are encouraged to donate a gift with a value of at least \$20. The gift must be wrapped and include a description providing clues about the gift.

There are many ways to participate in this event. All are welcome—members and guests, with or without gifts—but it is very important that everyone register for planning purposes, both to ensure adherence to COVID-19 regulations and safety and to ensure ample food and gifts for all to enjoy. If attending by Zoom, consider hosting a Not So Silent Night Gift Auction mini-party with a few family members or friends!

For complete details and to register go to:
[Not So Silent Night Gift Auction](#)



EVENT BONUS: Raffle for 2 Nights at Great Pines Resort in Old Forge

Thanks to P Israel Acosta, Great Pines has donated a gift certificate for a two-night stay to raffle for the Not So Silent Night Gift Auction event. This raffle is being held in addition to the gift auction taking place that evening. Raffle tickets are \$10 each and will only be sold online. Ticket sales will end on December 2 at midnight. Your name will be entered into the drawing for each ticket you purchase. The winner will be drawn during the Not So Silent Night Auction event.

To purchase raffle tickets go to:
[Not So Silent Night Great Pines Raffle](#)

**Deadline for next newsletter (11/30) is Sunday, November 29, at noon;
submit to news@uticarotaryclub.org**

Happy Thanksgiving

NO MEETING THIS WEEK

Check out the current District newsletter (we're in it!):

[Nov 20 District 7150 Newsletter](#)

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**

Drivers needed for Thanksgiving meal delivery

First Presbyterian Church is seeking volunteers to help deliver Thanksgiving meals on Thursday, November 26. This is its 42nd year providing Thanksgiving dinners!

For more information or to volunteer, contact President Israel at iacosta@mtb.com. The procedure for delivering is different due to COVID-19. Volunteers will have specific times to arrive at the church, so P Israel will need your name, phone and email information to pass along to the church coordinator. He can also provide you with instructions for arriving and following CDC procedures for safety.

Food drive to benefit Utica Rescue Mission

Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary Club is organizing a drive-through food drive on Wednesday, December 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Nonperishables food such as canned goods, pastas, and grains are welcome.

Please see the map for delivery to Seneca Street in Utica.

