

ROTARY THIS WEEK!

September 28, 2020

Heather Beebe is next Innovation Collective speaker

Every month Innovation Collective (IC) invites a local community member to talk about their journey in the Mohawk Valley. This Wednesday, September 30 at 6 p.m., IC and Heather invite you to join them for IC's September Fireside Chat at One Genny.



Heather says, "Rotary has been a part of my success in everything I do, so it will come up!"

For more information and to RSVP go to: <u>https://innovationcollective.zohobackstage.com/</u> <u>ICUticaFiresideChat</u>

Midtown Utica Community Center needs tutors

Submitted by Elizabeth Nassar

Midtown Utica Community Center (MUCC) is looking for volunteer tutors for its virtual tutoring program starting October 6. Tutors are needed for all grade levels. Members should be aware that they will have to be fingerprinted because they are working with students (even though they may only be online). The process is easy and has no cost implications, but they still need to sign up and go in person for the fingerprinting.

Additional information on the tutoring program can be found on page 3. Additional information about MUCC can be found at: https://www.midtownutica.org/

Club members move firefighting gear headed to Kosovo

On Thursday, September 24, eight volunteers help move 90 sets of jackets and pants to be donated to firefighters in Kosovo. The gear was moved out of a storage locker in Waterville, NY and transported to Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CABVI), where it will be boxed, placed on pallets, wrapped, and weighed for international shipment.

Many thanks to our volunteers (pictured at right). Additional pictures can be viewed on our club website at:

https://uticarotary.org/PhotoAlbums/20200925service-firefighting-equipment



Pictured (L-R): Roger Frank, PP Jim Turnbull, James Friedel (new Utica Rotary member), Mark Turnbull (New Hartford Fire Department), Paul Nandzik (Whitesboro Fire Department), Dan Buono (Utica; friend of Don Reese), PDG Don Reese Not pictured: Michelle Brandstadt

Deadline for next newsletter (10/5) is Sunday, October 4 at noon; submit to <u>news@uticarotaryclub.org</u>



TAKE ACTION: www.uticarotary.org

COMMITTEE NEWS

Hear about club committee activities at this week's meeting

This week's meeting on Friday is a Club Assembly. Committee members will give short presentations on their committee's purpose and their plans for the year. This is a great time to find out what our club is doing, and maybe find a new interest or how you can help.

Adopt-a-Highway scheduled

The fall highway cleanup will take place on Saturday, October 24, from 9-11 a.m. Our portion of the highway is the Arterial in Utica, north bound only from Burrstone to Court Street. This is open to all Area 2 and 3 club members.

RSVP to Stephen by October 19 at stephen@turnbull-insurance.com.

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
RotaractDom Passalacqua
RYLAJim Day
Interact Jim Day
Urban Concerns NEED CHAIR
CommunicationMichelle Brandstadt
Meeting Service Natalie Brown
MembershipJoe Caruso/Ken Williams
Outstanding Educator AwardsBart Gorman
Quiet Giver's Award Roger Breslow
Pride of Workmanship Roxanne Mutchler
Veteran's OutreachMary Ann Hallak-Serwatka
Special Needs Party NEED CHAIR
RI Foundation NEED CHAIR

Pride of Workmanship Update

Submitted by Roxanne Mutchler

THANK YOU Utica Rotarians for spreading the word about the Pride of Workmanship awards. We're pleased to give you this update. By the numbers:

- *#* of organizations contacted by committee members: 91!
- # of nominators: 14 (up from 9 last year)
- *#* of nominations received: 15
- # of organizations: 10

We look forward to introducing you to this year's winners at our regular meeting on October 16!

Respectfully,

Pride of Workmanship Committee: Roxanne Mutchler, Chair | P Israel Acosta PP Joe Caruso | PP David Bagley | Gina Ciaccia Jennifer DePasquale | Jerry Kraus | Bill Luley Amy Mielnicki | PP Dominic Passalacqua Tina Pavlot | PDG Lou Steppello | Cari Sterling PP Stewart Williams

October 2020

Calendar of Events

- 10/2 Weekly Meeting Club Assembly FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | via Zoom
- 10/8 Weekly Meeting Service Project THURSDAY 5-7 p.m. | F.T. Proctor Park
- 10/10 Weekly Meeting Service Project SATURDAY 9-11 a.m. | F.T. Proctor Park
- 10/16 Weekly Meeting Pride of Workmanship FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | Delta Hotel
- 10/19 Board Meeting 1 p.m. | via Zoom
- 10/23 Weekly Meeting Kelberman Center FRIDAY @ 12 p.m. | TBD
- 10/24 Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup | 9-11 a.m.
- 10/29 Weekly Meeting Social THURSDAY @ 5 p.m. Polish Community Club

Note: please be sure to check the newsletter or the <u>club</u> <u>website</u> calendar for current meeting information.

THE GOOD NEWS CENTER FLAGS FOR HEROES

Each year The Good News Center honors active military and veterans by placing flags along the Memorial Parkway during the week of Veterans Day, which this year is November 2-12. Rotary Club of Utica is donating \$250 as a Blue Sponsor. Individual flag sponsorships are available for \$35. For more information or to sponsor a flag, go to: <u>https://www.thegoodnewscenter.org/flags-for-heroes/</u>

