



This Week's Program

This week we meet at The Beer Hub for the club's monthly social. Owners Colin and Chris Hubbell specialize in offering some of the best craft beers from around the world, most offered as draft pours from over 20 taps and served by knowledgeable servers. The Beer Hub also serves specialty sandwiches made-to-order.



THURSDAY | August 25 | 5 p.m.
The Beer Hub
2643 Genesee St. | Utica, NY 13501

Rotary Club of Utica wins district grant

Thanks to the effort of member Dave Jones, Rotary Club of Utica has been approved for a \$1,600 District Rotary Grant to help fund the Utica Urban Tree Project. The grant is funded by The Rotary Foundation.

The grant is a matching grant and will be matched with the \$2,000 raised from the recent Tees for Trees Golf Tournament. The grant and fundraiser enable the Utica Urban Tree Project committee to purchase and plant 29 trees in the city of Utica this fall. **Great work, Dave!**

Last week for school supply collection

Rotary Club of Utica's school supply collection for the resident children of People First (formerly Utica Municipal Housing Authority) ends this Friday, August 26. Donations may be dropped off at Thursday's social hour or with P Tina Pavlot at the M&T Bank branch on Commercial Drive, New Hartford.

Please note that online ordering could not be offered this year because Max's Print Shop is no longer in the school supply business. The need is greater than ever to help families dealing with the rising costs of everything, so we hope you can still find a way to support this effort. Please contact Michelle Brandstadt if accommodations are needed to pick up donations. Supplies needed are:

- Pencils
- Pens
- Highlighters
- Markers
- Crayons
- Glue sticks
- Wide and narrow loose-leaf paper, spiral-bound notebooks & composition notebooks
- Pocket folders

Contact Michelle Brandstadt at:
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Calendar of Events

- 8/25 Social Hour | 5 p.m. | The Beer Hub
- 9/1 Thursday Program: United Way
12-1 p.m. | Mid York Library & Zoom

Deadline for next newsletter (8/29) is Sunday, August 28, noon; submit to news@uticarotaryclub.org



TAKE ACTION: www.uticarotary.org

Tees for Trees golf tournament winners announced

It was a beautiful day on Sunday, August 14, at the Hidden Valley Golf Course in Whitesboro as our Rotary Club of Utica hosted a golf outing to help raise funds for the Urban Tree Project. The second annual Tees for Trees tournament featured lunch, a golf scramble, dinner, and door prizes.

Trophies were awarded to our winners: first place went to Team Turnbull (featuring Past President Stephen Turnbull), who shot a red-hot 61, which was 10-under par; second place went to Team Kane; and Team Sisti won the “Most Honest” (highest score) award.

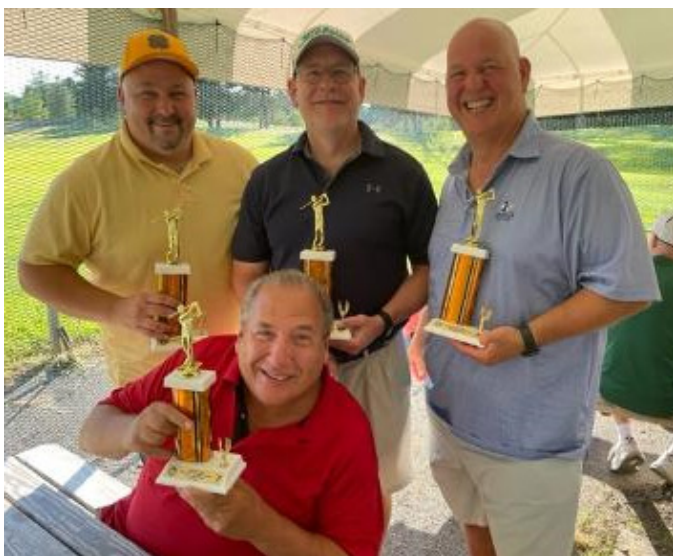
Sixteen teams, including Rotary golfers Jerry Kraus, Darby O'Brien and Mary Lou Reape, helped our club raise over \$2,000 to help with the planting of 29 trees in the city of Utica this fall. Also helping at the golf outing were Rotary Club President Tina Pavlot and club members Michelle Brandstadt, Linda Iannone, Travis Rabbers, and David Jones.



Above (L-R): Bill Matteson, Stephen Turnbull, Dave Smith and Ryan Perry

Left (L-R): Dan Kane, Kevin Taylor, Dennis Sheridan, and Joe Baris sitting

Right (l-r): Mary Lou Manchester, Mark Sisti, Judy Sisti and Al Sisti.



Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary in need of assistance

The Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary is helping our neighbors who don't always get a daily meal to be able to go to a location in Utica, pick what they need from a freezer, refrigerator or shelf, and make a meal for their family. The need is great, and the club wants to keep the program going. The club will purchase and distribute food, buy seasonal fruits and vegetables along with much needed protein like chicken, pork, and beef.

If you would like to support the program, donations can be made at:
<https://gofund.me/6221bd81>

For additional information, contact Joyce Astafan, Greater Utica Sunrise Rotary President, at joycea1435@roadrunner.com.

Nominations now being accepted for 2021 Pride of Workmanship Awards—deadline is September 16

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

Since 1990, the Utica Rotary has recognized outstanding individuals and will do so again at the Pride of Workmanship Awards Program on Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 12 p.m.

Pride of Workmanship recipients exemplify an outstanding commitment to their job—their performance makes a positive difference to their employer. Award recipients will demonstrate:

- Outstanding competence and consistency of effort
- Commitment to employer

- Commitment to co-workers (team players)
- Professionalism and creativity
- Enthusiasm and initiative
- Willingness to go above and beyond the job description
- An understanding of the award's motto: "Do it once, do it well. Build a Better America."

A nomination form can be downloaded from Rotary Club of Utica's website at [Pride of Workmanship](#). For more information, email Roxanne Mutchler at rmutchler@live.com with Pride of Workmanship in the subject line.

Members are invited to join the Pride of Workmanship committee ([contact Roxanne Mutchler](#)) as well as any other Rotary Club of Utica committees. Reach out to the committee chair or [President Tina Pavlot](#) for more information.

New York State now offers Rotary International custom plates

At last week's program meeting, PDG Dana Jerrard announced that the New York Department of Vehicles (NT DMV) is now offering specialty license plates with the Rotary logo. Attached to the email with this newsletter is an information sheet (also found here: [NY DMV](#)), along with the application and a required Proof of Membership letter.

