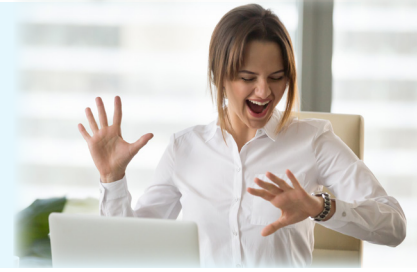


# Rotary This Week!



Utica, NY, USA

June 3, 2024

## Rotary to honor 7 educators on June 6

The Rotary Clubs of Utica, New Hartford, North Utica-Whitestown and Sauquoit are excited to honor seven 'Outstanding Educators' at an awards luncheon at the Irish Cultural Center in Utica on Thursday, June 6 at noon.

The following educators are being honored: **Michael Zogby** (Clinton High), **Peter Ander-**

**son** (New Hartford High), **Audrey Foote** (New York Mills High), **Sharece Toner** (Notre Dame), **Christine Golden** (Proctor High), **Trisha Moore** (Sauquoit Valley High School) and **Jeffrey Kuhn** (Whitesboro High).

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at <https://uticarotary.org/page/outstanding-educators>



## Rotarians volunteer at MUCC

*Utica Rotarians were among volunteers at the Midtown Utica Community Center on Sunday helping the agency move to a temporary home. Here Rotarian Matt Schlosser joins a human chain to pass items. SEE PAGE 2. MUCC photo.*

Deadline for next newsletter (6/10) is Saturday, June 8 at 3 p.m.; submit to [news@uticarotaryclub.org](mailto:news@uticarotaryclub.org).

Editor Robert Stronach

## Like movie stars, Utica Rotarians help MUCC with move



President-Elect Travis Rabbers and members Joe Abraham and Matt Schlosser joined volunteers at Midtown Utica Community Center (MUCC) on Sunday. They helped move items from MUCC's Scott Street headquarters to Our Savior Lutheran Church on Genesee Street, which will serve as a temporary home for several months as renovations are being completed at the Scott Street building.

The trio of Utica Rotarians had a great time catching up with MUCC Executive Director Kay Klo, a friend of the club, and meeting all of those helping make the day a success.

After witnessing the Rotarians carry and maneuver furniture, sometimes spurring giggles and laughter, one of the other volunteers went up to them with an interesting observation:

"You know who you remind me of? The guys from [the movie] 'The Hangover!'"

While it's uncertain whether the group would pursue an acting career, the question is, which one is Bradley Cooper?

*Travis Rabbers, Joe Abraham and Matt Schlosser help maneuver a table down the staircase. MUCC photo.*

### Calendar of Events

**6/6** Meeting | Outstanding Educators  
noon | Five Points Public House/  
Irish Cultural Center

**6/7** Service Above Self Gala  
6:00 – 11:00 pm | The Stanley

**6/19** Board Meeting |  
noon | Greater Utica Chamber

**6/20** Meeting | Allen Wilcox from  
The Theatre at Woodshill  
noon | Mid-York Library

**6/27** Club Social | TBA  
5:30 pm

**8/18** Rotary Charity Golf Outing  
Hidden Valley, Whitesboro



## Utica Rotarian among senator's honorees

Utica Rotarian Elis DeLia was among a group of people honored by State Sen. Joseph Griffo during a ceremony May 31 at Munson.

In presenting State Senate Commendation Awards, Griffo said: "They have demonstrated a remarkable commitment to helping others and have worked selflessly to improve the wellbeing of area residents, children, families, businesses, schools and communities."

The senator's press release described DeLia as "an accomplished attorney and local and small business advocate."

Other honorees included:

- Raymond J. Durso, Jr., president/CEO of the Genesis Group.
- Marolyn Wilson, a former owner of Holland Farms Bakery & Deli.
- Lawrence Gilroy, president of Gilroy Kernan & Gilroy, Inc.
- Dr. Rick Timbs, executive director of the Statewide School Finance Consortium.
- Dr. Cheryl Minor, administrator with the Utica City School District
- Patrick McGrath, co-director of the City of Utica's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.
- Mersiha Omeragic, co-owner of Yummilicious Café & Bakery in Utica.
- Grace Rapasadi, judge and civic leader from Madison County.

## Volunteer opportunity with Little League concessions

President-Elect Travis Rabbers shares this volunteer opportunity message from Mary Sainsbury ( [mraccoonmary@roadrunner.com](mailto:mraccoonmary@roadrunner.com) ):

"I have been involved in running concession stands for Little league in Utica and North Utica Pop Warner football for over 30 years. We recently combined all little league groups in Utica into Utica Little League. We have games at Addison Miller in West Utica, Euclid Road in North Utica, and in the north Utica park for girls softball. We also started a Challenger group for disabled persons. We have concessions at three fields. At present we are in need of volunteers at our North Utica field

for the month of June. We wonder if anyone in Utica Rotary would be willing to help us at the North Utica concession stand. Games are Monday Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday and Saturdays, weather permitting. Helpers are needed weeknights from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 9:30 until 2:30. Proceeds are used to pay umpires and purchase equipment.

"We wonder if anyone would be interested in volunteering for some of the games. You need not commit to all games. We need 2 or 3 helpers for each game."