



### Quiet Giver nominations due Wednesday, June 8

The Quiet Giver Award seeks to recognize those Utica Rotarians who make significant contributions to the success of Rotary and to the community and who do so unselfishly and with humility placing service above self.

If you know a deserving Utica Rotarian, please consider nominating them. Send the Quiet Givers Award committee the Rotarian's name and a brief description as to why you feel they are a "quiet giver."

Nominations are due this Wednesday, June 8, and should be emailed to Dr. Roger Breslow at [breslock@roadrunner.com](mailto:breslock@roadrunner.com).

### Limited number of Gala tickets still available

An additional, limited number of tickets (less than 40) to the Inaugural Service Above Self Gala have become available. They won't last long so, if you were hoping to attend, now is the time to get your tickets! Tickets are \$125 each.

The Gala will be held Friday, June 24, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the beautiful Stanley Theatre. All proceeds benefit Camp Abilities-Central Association for the Blind (CABVI), a youth development program for children that are blind or visually impaired.

Gala details and ticket purchase, sponsor information, and Camp Abilities-CABVI information can be found at the end of this newsletter and on the Club website at:

[Service Above Self Gala Event](#)

### This Week's Program

Kari Puleo serves as the Executive Director of the Greater Utica Chamber of Commerce. She brings over twenty years of experience in non-profit management, development, marketing, and communications. Kari is passionate about community and connections, as well as a proponent for policies that enable businesses to innovate, invest and grow. She is a fierce advocate to making the Greater Utica Area the best possible place to live, work, and play. Prior to coming to the Chamber, she served as the Director of Advancement for Notre Dame Schools, leading development, admissions, public relations and marketing functions.



She holds degrees in English and Professional Communication and Information Design from Nazareth College in Rochester, NY. Puleo was recognized in 2018 as one of the Genesis Group's Striving for Success award recipients and is a member of the Leadership Mohawk Valley Class of 2017. She currently serves as the Vice-President for Utica Dollars for Scholars and volunteers for several organizations. She resides in the Greater Utica area with her son, Ryan

**FRIDAY | June 10 | Noon**  
**Mid York Library System**  
**1600 Lincoln Ave. | Utica, NY 13502**  
**Virtually via Zoom**

Face coverings are recommended, but not required.

**Deadline for next newsletter (6/14) is Monday, June 13, at noon;**  
**submit to [news@uticarotaryclub.org](mailto:news@uticarotaryclub.org)**

## Volunteers needed for June 15 Club service project

We're back at RCIL's The Dorothy Smith Center for Advocacy to finish the garden work we started at our last service project. On Wednesday, June 15, from 5-7, volunteers are needed to help spread mulch as well as some weeding. Please bring rakes, garden gloves, or any other gardening tools.

Sign up to volunteer at:

[RCIL Garden Cleanup | Rotary Club of Utica \(uticarotary.org\)](https://www.uticarotary.org)

## Deadline extended to volunteer for Rotary Boilermaker Water Stop

The deadline for volunteering for the Utica Rotary Water Stop at the Boilermaker on Sunday, July 10, has been extended. We're calling on Utica Rotarians, families and friends to please volunteer!

Please follow the steps below to volunteer. After registering you will receive updates. Please contact [Mary Joan Foresti](#) if you have any questions. Together we can make this the best race yet!

**To volunteer you must do the following—no exceptions:**

- go to <http://www.boilermaker.com>
- click on Proceed to Website
- at top right, click on Volunteer
- for New and Previous Rotary Volunteers scroll down to For Returning Volunteers, choose click here
- scroll all the way down on left side to WS-Utica Rotary, click on Volunteer
- if you have used Runsignup.com before, on top right under Registered Users, click on Sign In complete and submit
- if you are new to Runsignup.com, complete all the information and submit

## In Person! 2022 District 7150 Changing of the Guard

This year, District 7150's Changing of the Guard celebrating club and district leaders is back in person on June 30 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The event will be held at the Great Swamp Conservancy in Canastota. The event is open to all Rotarians, and all outgoing and incoming leaders are especially encouraged to attend. It will be a fun evening with delicious food and fellowship!

Registration is required. All Rotarians and their guests must register and pay online by June 21st. The rate is \$30 per person to cover the cost of the meal. Walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

For additional information or to register, click:

[2022 District 7150 Changing of the Guard | District 7150 \(rotary7150.org\)](https://www.rotary7150.org)

## Olmsted City of Greater Utica seeks volunteers for huge garden project

Olmsted City of Greater Utica is getting ready to plant its biggest project of the year—the woodland garden at the north circle at F.T. Proctor Park. Over 1,500 plants—trees, shrubs, perennials, groundcovers—will be planted in an area over 5,000 square feet. Planting will take place on June 11 and June 12.

For planning purposes, the organization would appreciate knowing if you can help. Please spread the word to family and friends as well.

For additional information or to sign up to help, please email [olmstedcity@gmail.com](mailto:olmstedcity@gmail.com).

### Calendar of Events

- 6/10 Program Meeting | Friday | 12 p.m. & Zoom Mid York Library System
- 6/15 RCIL Service Project | 5-7 p.m.
- 6/24 Service Above Self Gala | 6-10 p.m Stanley Theatre
- 6/30 District 7150 Changing of the Guard 5:30-8 p.m. | Great Swamp Conservancy

# Local educators honored by area Rotary Clubs at Outstanding Educators Awards Program *by Jerry Kraus*

The Rotary Clubs of Utica, North Utica/Whitestown, and Sauquoit honored six Utica-area teachers on Friday, June 3rd, at their annual Outstanding Educators Awards Program. The program, presented during a Utica Rotary luncheon at the Yahnundasis Golf and Country Club in New Hartford, is an annual event of the area Rotary Clubs' community service committees.

The 2022 recipients of the Outstanding Educators Awards are:

- Kathleen Washburn: Clinton Central High School
- Tim Papienuk: New York Mills Junior/Senior High School
- Noah Howard: Notre Dame Junior/Senior High School
- Master Chief Mark Williamson: T.R. Proctor High School
- Brett Cardillo: Sauquoit Valley High School
- Charles Hamilton: Whitesboro Central High School

The awards program comes at the culmination of a year-long program during which area Rotary clubs hosted two students from each of six area schools. At each of two weekly Rotary membership meetings over the past school year, the students each had an opportunity to introduce themselves to

Rotary members, and to learn about Rotary's community, regional and international service, which are the fulfillment of the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

At the end of the school year, the students from each school are asked to select the teacher whom they believe exemplifies the Rotary motto, and the values of Rotary, as exemplified in its Four Way Test:

- Is it the *Truth*?
- Is it *Fair* to all concerned?
- Will it build *Goodwill* and better *Friendships*?
- Will it be *Beneficial* to all concerned?



Pictured above (L-R): Susie Hamilton, accepting for Charles Hamilton, Principal Brent Dodge, accepting for Tim Papienuk, Master Chief Mark Williamson, Brett Cardillo and Noah Howard.

Pictured at right: students, teachers and Rotary members.

**Special thanks to Chair Bart Gorman for his superb organization of the program throughout the year and the Awards Program!**

Thanks to member Bob Stronach for taking all the great photos. Additional event photos can be viewed on the club website.

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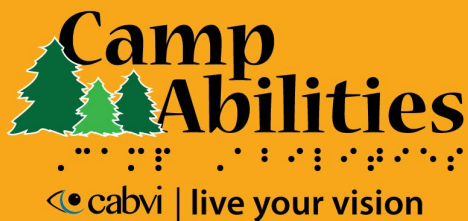
- Red Carpet With Photo
- Music By Soul Injection
- Dinner
- 1 Hour Cocktail Open Bar

**\$125**  
**PER TICKET**

**When:** 6:00pm- 10:00pm, Friday June 24th 2022

**Where:** The Stanley Theatre  
259 Genesee Street, Utica, NY 13502

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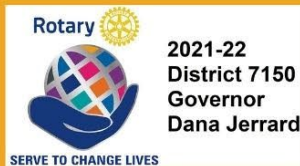


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