

ROTARY THIS WEEK!

March 15, 2022

It doesn't get any better than this—Rotarians and Utica City Football Club!

Join your fellow Rotarians in the Miller Lite Biergarten for this month's Club Social with Utica City Football Club (UCFC) at the Adirondack Bank Center on **Sunday, March 27**, at 2 p.m.

- Open to all Rotarians and guests
- UCFC vs. Florida Tropics
- The Miller Lite Biergarten allows you to watch the game from field level, right up against the boards!
- **Tickets are \$40** General Admission for the Miller Lite Biergarten; food (buffet) and fountain drinks included with ticket.
- Tickets must be paid for 1 week prior to event. P Stephen Turnbull will contact all registrants with payment instructions.
- RSVP by 3/18/2022

Register online at: <u>UCFC Rotary Social</u>
Point of Contact: <u>Stephen Turnbull</u>



This Week's Program

Colin LaReaux began his legal career in civil litigation in Long Island. In 2013, Colin returned to Utica and joined Goldbas & LaReaux, Attorneys at Law, where he has expanded his practice to include criminal defense and family law.



Colin is also the president of 315K For the Cure, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping families battling pediatric cancer in Central New York. As a pediatric cancer survivor himself, Colin understands firsthand how difficult the treatment process and resulting side effects, both physical and mental, can be for families undergoing the ordeal.

Through a variety of fundraising events, merchandise sales, and speaking engagements, 315K For the Cure donates all proceeds it raises to the Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital in Syracuse, New York. Now in their seventh year, their goal remains the same: to help families fight pediatric cancer.

FRIDAY | March 18 | 12 p.m. Mid York Library System 1600 Lincoln Ave. | Utica, NY 13502 Virtually via Zoom

Mid York Library System has adopted the revised NYS HERO Act template. In accordance with CDC recommendation and guidance from the NYS Department of Health, face coverings are recommended, but not required.

Deadline for next newsletter (3/22) is Monday, March 21, at noon; submit to <u>news@uticarotaryclub.org</u>





TAKE ACTION: www.uticarotary.org

This week's Outstanding Educator Program features Proctor

Proctor High School students Kris Joseph and Sie Sie join us this week for the Outstanding Educator's Program. Also joining them is student Haris Hajric as a representative of Proctor's Best Buddies Program, where students with intellectual and developmental disabilities are paired in one-to-one friendships. The club promotes social inclusion for the entire student body within as well as outside of school.

Sie has been a member the Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC) for four years. She holds the position of Command Master Chief and has completed many community service hours through NJROTC. She also is a member of the indoor and outdoor track teams, Show Choir, and is Senior Class President. Sie has also participated in the Best Buddies Program for three years.

Sie would like to pursue a degree in psychology or pre-law/political science. Her choices for colleges are Buffalo State, University at Albany, and Syracuse University. Her career choices are due to her experiences with immigration. She has experienced her father going to trial, being in jail, and going through the process of being deported for being an immigrant. She also realizes that there are many immigrants who come to America to start a new life from their horrific past life but sometimes experience separation from their families and children. Sie is interested in becoming an immigration lawyer to help families and help families stay. Once she decides which of the two fields to pursue, she hopes to help many children and teens with the problems and situations they face.

2022 Super Saturday District7150 Assembly Training

PDG Peter Cardamone is asking each Rotary Club to be represented and attend this "Super Saturday" training to learn what is new and the big changes coming for District 7150. This is the place to find the skills and knowledge every Rotarian will need to be a contributing member of your successful club.

Super Saturday Training takes place April 2, 2022, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. at VVS High School (5275 State Route 31, Verona, NY 13478).

Register Now by Clicking Here

Sie's counselor, Ms. Gatto, writes that Sie has taken many honors, advance placements, and dual credit college level courses, and she has maintained a 95.906 GPA. Sie has not only participated in activities in the school and community but also has been employed since June 2021 at KFC Taco Bell. Her goal is to be a well-rounded student to make her mother proud so she can have the opportunities that her mother did not by attending college.

Kris is also a member of NJROTC as well as a Frankfort Center Fire Department volunteer and a member of the Central Oneida County Volunteer Ambulance Corps. He is looking into trade school but will also be applying to Utica University and MVCC. He hopes to work in the fire department or as an EMS.

Kris's counselor, Mr. Ouderkirk, writes that Kristopher is an exceptional young man. He serves as a volunteer for the fire department as well as an EMT for an ambulance corps. In addition, he maintains a 91.47 GPA.



Kris Joseph



Sie Sie



Haris Hajric

Calendar of Events

- 3/18 Program Meeting | Friday | 12 p.m. & Zoom Mid York Library System
- 3/21 Board Meeting | Monday | 1 p.m. Fort Schuyler Club
- 3/27 Club Social | Sunday | 2 p.m. UCFC at Adirondack Bank Center