

Rotary This Week!



Utica, NY, USA

March 4, 2024

Program to feature Energy Zone and Proctor students



Kler Gay Gay Moo

This Thursday Proctor student Kler Gay Gay Moo will address the club, and it will be in the environs of the Energy Zone at the Utica Zoo. **The meeting gets underway at noon March 7.** Fellow Proctor student Logan Wolfe, who addressed the club two weeks ago, will also be there.

School Counselor Katherine Hall describes Kler as an outstanding student, racking up many honors and dual credit courses. A member of the Na-

tional Honor Society, Kler has earned a GPA of 96.119. He is active in the NJROTC program, where he serves as commanding officer, with plans to enlist in the Marine Corps and pursue a degree in Business Management. He is also involved in the Key Club and serves as student representative to the Board of Education.

After club business is out of the way, Past President Joe Caruso will lead a tour of the Energy Zone.



UTICA ROTARIANS HAVE HEART

Members of the Rotary Club of Utica participated in America's Greatest Heart Run & Walk in a variety of roles this past weekend. The 50th anniversary event raised over half a million dollars. See story and photos - PAGES 2 & 3.

Deadline for next newsletter (3/11) is Saturday, March 9 at 3 p.m.; submit to news@uticarotaryclub.org.

Editor Robert Stronach

Utica Rotary has heart

By Joe Abraham



American Heart Association®
America's Greatest
Heart Run & Walk™

Thousands united at Utica University on Saturday for the 50th Anniversary of America's Greatest Heart Run & Walk, which has raised over \$500,000. According to the American Heart Association, taking part in the event is one step closer to saving lives. Every dollar donated means more research, more people trained in lifesaving CPR, more medical breakthroughs, and more champions for equitable health.

Whether it was walking on the club team, participating on behalf of their employer, volunteering or walking in honor of a loved one, the Rotary Club of Utica was well-represented at the event. Club member efforts include:

- Utica Rotarian Heather Evans,

who is the executive director of the American Heart Association Mohawk Valley. Heather and all of peers and the event volunteers deserve tremendous praise for the event being such a tremendous success!

- Utica Rotarians Tina Pavlot (immediate past president) and Laura Williams were members of Team Pavlot, which was captained by Tina's husband Ryan. Their team, created in honor of Ryan's father and brother, has raised over \$850.

- Utica Rotarian Ashley Paolozzi raised \$412 through her participation in the weekend's Treadmill Challenge.

- Utica Rotarians Joe Abraham, Zemira Sakanovic and Clyde Van-

derpool formed a Rotary Club of Utica walking team. Thanks to generous contributions from fellow Utica Rotarians and personal donations, the club's team raised \$287.

- Utica Rotarian Ken Williams walked with coworkers at M&T Bank, with their team raising \$275.

- Utica Rotarians Travis Rabbers and Heather Beebe volunteered at the event, both working the telethon on Friday. Rabbers also cheered on runners and walkers with peers at the Greater Utica Chamber of Commerce's Catalyst Group on Saturday.

Kudos to everyone's efforts in raising awareness and funds for this very important cause!



Joe Abraham, Clyde Vanderpool and Zemira Sakanovic comprised the Utica Rotary walking team. AT LEFT: Rotarians Travis Rabbers (top left) and Heather Beebe and her husband, Shawn Smith, volunteered at the telethon.

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Rotarian Travis Rabbers (left) joined the Catalyst Group of cheer on runners and walkers.



ABOVE: Rotarian Ken Williams and Ryan Pavlot (Tina's husband) were on Team M&T and Team Pavlot, respectively.

LEFT: Team Pavlot, captained by Tina's husband Ryan, included members of Tina's family. Among them were her sisters Lynn Colburn and Laura Williams (a fellow Rotarian), and her mother, father and neice..

Pig-ture perfect evening



February's Utica Rotary social took place at Piggy Pats Smoke & Ale House in Washington Mills. Rotarians braved the snowy conditions to gather for food, spirits and good conversation!

Calendar of Events

3/7 Meeting | talk & tour
noon | Energy Zone
at Utica Zoo

3/28 Social | TBD
5:00 pm |

3/20 Board Meeting |
noon | Chamber of Commerce

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SERVICE ABOVE SELF *Gala*



- Red carpet
- LIVE music by Soul Injection
- Seated dinner on Stanley stage
- 1 hour of cocktail open bar

When:

Friday June 7th 6-11pm

Where:

The Stanley Theatre
259 Genesee Street
Utica, NY 13502

Gala Presented By:



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