



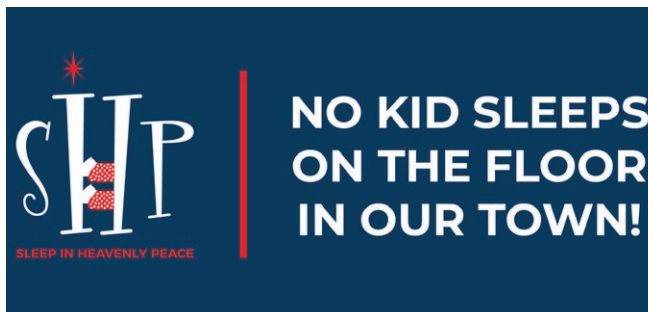
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Help provide bedding for Utica kids

by Michelle Brandstadt

On November 3, our program meeting will feature the Utica chapter of *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* (SHP). SHP is a national nonprofit organization that builds and delivers beds to children in need of a bed and a safe place to sleep. Since its inception, the Utica chapter has made 701 beds and delivered 634 of them.

SHP hosts several bed-building and delivery service projects each year. We're hoping we can schedule a project with them in 2023. Until then, SHP-Utica needs help. They currently have a wait list of 200 beds and are trying to get as many of these kids in beds before the real cold sets in. They are running really low on bedding, especially bedding



for young boys and girls ages 3 to 8. Twin-sized comforters, sheets, and blankets are needed as well as pillows.

Here's the ask: let's show our support for SHP and the children of Utica by collecting as many bedding sets (twin-sized sheet set, blanket, comforter) as possible to present to SHP when they come to speak on November 3. *All bedding*

must be new and twin-sized. Please bring the bedding to the program meeting, drop off with President Tina Pavlot at M&T Bank at Consumer Square, New Hartford, or contact me at fillableformdesigns@gmail.com for pickup.

Here's the challenge: For every complete bedding set collected, I will donate a pillow. Let me know what you plan to donate, and I will track the bedding sets collected.

For inspiration, check out SHP-Utica's Facebook page to see the work being done and the happy faces on the kids receiving a bed: https://www.facebook.com/SHPUtica/?ref=page_internal.

Bowl to pin down polio Oct. 26

Get a team together to raise some fun and money with Area 2 and 3 Rotary clubs for Rotary's PolioPlus program.

Pin Down Polio is set to roll on Wednesday, Oct. 26, from 5 to 7 p.m. at VISTA Bowlig Center in Yorkville. The cost is \$30 per person for a five to six person team.

Contact PP Stephen Turnbull to sign up: stephen@t5insurance.com.



Utica Rotarian Heather Beebe was the keynoter for Baldwinsville's 50th anniversary. See PAGE 3.

Deadline for next newsletter (10/24) is Sunday, October 23, at noon; submit to news@uticarotaryclub.org.

Come out for urban tree planting Nov. 5

by Michelle Brandstadt

Utica Rotary Tree Planting Project will take place Saturday, Nov. 5, when Rotarians, family and friends plant trees at 26 homes throughout Utica. In preparation, the city will auger the holes on Nov. 4.

We need volunteers, pickup trucks and trailers. All volunteers will meet at the Utica Parks Department, 233 Valley View Road, at 9 a.m. Nov. 5. With enough volunteers we should be done by noon. **NO RAIN DATE!** Please bring gloves, rakes and shovels. Please confirm availability and equipment with Dave Jones at: davidjones0422@gmail.com.



Highway cleaned up!



A hard-hatted, brightly vested crew of Rotarians and friends turned out for Rotary Club of Utica's biannual *Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup* on Saturday, Oct. 15.

"It was a beautiful morning as we headed out to clean up the Rt. 12 Arterial, northbound between Court Street and Burrstone Road," reported Jerry Kraus, who, with fellow paparazzo Stephen Turnbull, provided the photos..





Heather featured at Baldwinsville fete

Utica Rotarian and former Rotary Exchange Student **Heather Beebe** was the keynote speaker at Baldwinsville Rotary's 50th anniversary celebration on Friday, Oct. 14, at the Fireside Inn.

Heather helped celebrate five decades of Rotary in Baldwinsville by giving a talk on "What's a Rotarian".

Photo: President Tina Pavlot with Heather Beebe at the Baldwinsville event.

'Not So Silent Night' Auction

Nominate your favorite not-for-profit

The *Not So Silent Night* committee needs your input! Email Brett Shippee by Oct. 21 to nominate your favorite not-for-profit to benefit from the proceeds of our gift auction.

All are encouraged to attend the event in December, but if you're interested in being on the committee, please reach out to Brett at brett@upallc.com.

-- Tina Pavlot

College student internships

Paid internships are being offered to area college students by the Rotary Club of Utica. Applications are being accepted now for the spring and fall academic semesters of 2022-23. **Deadline for applying is Nov. 1, 2022.** Apply online at uticarotary.org (click on Rotaract).

Through paid internships with local businesses, students will be able to apply their academic knowledge in a professional setting and gain skills that will be invaluable to their future careers. In addition, area businesses will be able to evaluate students for possible future employment.

If your business would like to participate, please contact: internship@uticarotaryclub.org



Calendar of Events

- 10/19** Board Mtg. | 12 p.m. & Zoom
Utica Chamber of Commerce
- 10/20** Pride of Workmanship Awards
11:45 a.m. | Fort Schuyler Club
- 10/26** Social | Pin Down Polio | 5-7 p.m.
VISTA Bowling Center
- 11/03** Program | Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Noon, Mid-York Library System
- 11/05** Service | Urban Tree Planting
9 a.m., Utica Parks Dept.

Rotarians invited to fundraiser for Bosnian-American Association

Hanka Grabovica, president of the Bosnian-American Community Association, has invited Rotarians to their fundraiser dinner on Oct. 27. It starts at 7 p.m. at Daniele's at Valley View.

Tickets are \$50/person. More info is on their website at: <https://www.bacautica.org/event-details/bosnian-american-community-association-baca-2nd-annual-fundraiser-2022>