



Utica Rotary Hub



Utica, NY, USA

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Rotarians plant 31 trees in East Utica

by **JERRY KRAUS**

The Utica Rotary Club's Urban Tree Project planted 31 trees on Blandina Street in East Utica on Saturday. This is a collaborative project between Utica Rotary Club, The City of Utica and the Utica Universal Unitarian Church's 'Climate Action Team'.

This is Utica Rotary's sixth year with this project, which now has planted a total of 184 trees within the city of Utica.

Special thanks to Utica Rotarian David Jones for chairing this event once again this year. Students from Proctor High School also assisted.

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Editor Robert Stronach

The ‘Not So Silent Night’ season is coming!

by TRAVIS RABBERS

It is almost time for our 7th annual “Not So Silent Night” Gift Auction! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Portofino Restaurant in the upstairs event space.

This is a live auction. People are encouraged, but not required, to bring a wrapped gift that we then auction off to the highest bid. The wrapped gift should include a clue and the value. The clue can be something along the lines of “this is for a couple and a night out” or “this is for a family with kids.”

This year all funds raised will benefit our own Rotary Club of Utica, so we would love to see everyone attend! There is no cost to attend, and please invite anyone you would like. The restaurant does need to know how many plan to attend, so please use the link below to register. The restaurant will offer a limited food menu.

[Link to register](#)

<https://www.crsadmin.com/eventportal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill>.

Celebrate at the Foundation Luncheon on Nov. 7

by JOE ABRAHAM

Join CNY Rotarians on Saturday, Nov. 7, from 12 to 3 p.m. at Roselawn Banquet Facility in New York Mills as we celebrate the generosity of our peers and the life-changing impact of The Rotary Foundation.

For \$35 per person, enjoy a delicious lunch, fellowship, and hear how more than 800 donors

contributed over \$500,000 to The Rotary Foundation in 2025–26. Learn about district and global grant projects, too.

Space is limited, so reserve your seat by October 30! To register, visit <https://cnyrotary.org/events/foundation-luncheons-2026/>

Calendar of Events

11/3	Service Flags for Heroes set-up 8:30 am Memorial Parkway	11/19	Social Mangia Macrina 5:30 pm 470 French Rd, Utica Reserved Rotary seating; complimentary salad with purchase of fav pizza & beverage
11/6	Meeting Cornhill Empowerment Center noon 230 James St, Utica	12/9	Service “Not So Silent Night” Auction 6-8 pm Portofino’s Restaurant
11/7	Luncheon CNY Rotary Foundation 12-3 pm Roselawn Banquet Facility		
11/12	Service Flags for Heroes takedown		

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