

Utica Rotary Hub

Utica, NY, USA

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Golf Outing Nets More Than \$3,000 for Service Fund

Utica Rotary's annual golf outing netted "just over \$3,000," reports golf chair Jerry Kraus.

The money will bolster the Service Fund, which allows the club to support various charitable causes and initiatives.

The fun golf tournament was held Aug. 23 at Hidden Valley Golf Club in Whitesboro.

"Special thanks to Treasurer Rebecca Cavoli for her help" in tallying the results, Jerry noted.

Twenty teams had competed in the event, including two led by Utica Rotarians.



Jerry offered a special thank-you to players, sponsors and volunteers who made the day a success.

Last week's Rotary meeting at MVCC's ThINCubator



Happy Sept. Anniversaries

Member	Years of Service
Bill Luley	32
Greg Benincasa	25
Kate Keating	1
Rebecca Cavoli	2
Tina Pavlot	8

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Editor Robert Stronach

Join the Utica Rotary Team for the Alzheimer's Walk

By JOE ABRAHAM

The Utica/Rome walk will take place on October 17 on MVCC's Utica campus.

We will be joined by CNY Rotarians from across the region.

There are also talks of the district making Green and Purple CNY Rotary tie-die shirts available and bringing Rotary banners so we can show a

unified presence against this horrible disease.

Check out our [Utica Rotary team page](#). Please consider registering as a member of the team. Donations are also appreciated.

It should be noted that if you register as a team member, fundraising is optional and not required!

Change in meeting day starts in October

As of October, our monthly meeting moves to the first Friday, President Heather Beebe announced.

So, October's program meeting will start at noon on Friday, Oct. 2, at Mid-York Library, 1600 Lincoln Ave., Utica.



Calendar of Events

9/10 **Service | Serve dinner**
 | Cornerstone Church

9/17 **Social | Brimfield Winery**
 5:30 pm |

9/23 **Meeting | Board of Directors**
 noon | Chamber of Commerce

10/2 **Meeting | (note day change)**
 noon | Mid-York Library

10/15 **Event | Pride of Workmanship**
 Five Points Public House

10/17 **Service | Walk to End Alzheimer's**
 | MVCC Utica campus

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ROTARY MEETING AT THINCUBATOR

The Rotary Club of Utica held its monthly program meeting on Sept. 3 at MVCC's ThINCubator, a regional hub for entrepreneurship, startup acceleration, and business incubation. Rotarians toured the facility and met with ThINCubator Director Ryan Miller. Photos provided by Heather Beebe.

Upcoming volunteer opportunities

by TRAVIS RABBERS

If you or your company were looking for volunteer opportunities, you just hit the jackpot! Check out these upcoming events.

1. The Canal Cities Classic is taking place Saturday, September 19. There are volunteer opportunities in Rome, Oriskany and Harbor Point in Utica to help with various tasks. One of the jobs is pouring beer at the Saranac tent at Harbor Point from 2:00-6:00. If you are interested, please contact Laura Cohen at lcohen@cityofutica.com.

2. The Riders Wear Pink bike ride will be Sunday, October 4. Our club's own Israel Acosta is once again leading the event. There are several volunteer opportunities; find the details here: [Riders Wear Pink Volunteer Registration](#)

3. The Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways reached out with several volunteer, as well as leadership opportunities.

- **V3 (Veni, Vedi, Vici)** - biggest sleepover event of the year! November 14: Help with

handing out swag bags (2-4:30 p.m.) or assisting in the dining hall during dinner time (4:30-7 p.m.). Location: MVCC (Contact CarLee Moyer: cmoyer@gsnypenn.org)

- **Local Leader Series:** Share your career journey through guest speaking, host a workplace tour, provide a hands-on demonstration, or participate in a panel discussion to help girls explore future careers. Contact: (CarLee Moyer: cmoyer@gsnypenn.org)

- **Mentorship Opportunities:** Connect with Girl Scouts through leadership conversations, mock interviews, resume reviews, or college and career readiness sessions. (CarLee Moyer: cmoyer@gsnypenn.org)

- **Gold Award Support:** Serve as a project advisor, mentor, or presentation reviewer for Girl Scouts working toward the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. (Contact Erin Murphy: emurphy@gsnypenn.org)

Club service opportunities: serve dinner and read

by HEATHER BEEBE

We will be volunteering on Sept. 10 at Cornerstone Church to help serve dinner. If you are interested in signing up for that, please let me know.

Our Rotary Readers program will begin again for this school year. If you have already participated in the past, please reach out to your teacher directly to restart your visits. If

you haven't participated, but would like to, please let me know.

We had a great turnout last year as we revived an old Utica Rotary classic program. Happy to see it going again! This is an easy, flexible, program that provides a great opportunity to make a difference in the classrooms of one of our inner city schools.