

The Updowntowner

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NOV 15TH ~ JAN 7TH



FRIDAY, NOV 24TH

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**Board Elections
for 2018-2019**

**Vice President
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Public Relations Director**

**General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, November 7, 2017**

A. Call to Order & Welcome

B. Reports

1. President
2. Secretary – minutes of October meeting
3. Treasurer
4. Introduce new members and/or guests
5. Board Elections
6. Vice President
7. Public Relations
8. Membership
 - a. Holiday Cookie Exchange
 - b. Sunshine
 - c. Outings
9. Special Events
 - a. Upcoming Events
 - b. Toys for Tots
10. Programs

C. Unfinished Business

D. New Business

E. Membership Announcements

F. 50/50 drawings

G. Adjournment

Volunteer Opportunities

Festival of Trees

Everson Museum of Art
November 30th – December 10th

Gingerbread Gallery

Erie Canal Museum
November 24th – January 5th
Call 315-471-0593 to volunteer

Salvation Army Christmas Bureau

Shoppingtown Dewitt
Former JCPenney entrance
Wednesday, December 20th



Marty Bock November 17th
Tim Wright November 23rd
Tish Stark November 28th

"Immersive Cloud" - Newest Public Art Piece

at the intersection of E. Genesee & S. Townsend Streets

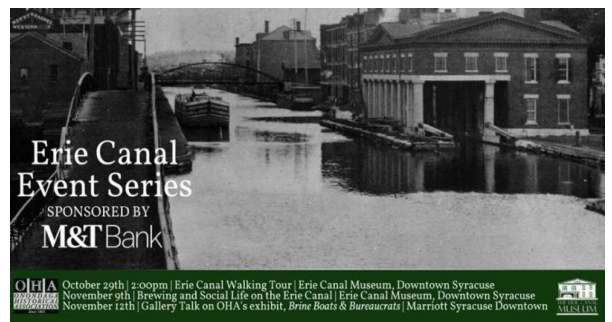


Downtown's newest public art piece, the "Immersive Cloud," is now complete! The installation is located at the southeast intersection of East Genesee and South Townsend Streets, and consists of a series of round, stainless steel disks, supported by columns of various heights to create an elegant undulating surface. The mirrored surfaces encourage guests to interact with the installation from below, within, above and be immersed within the reflective environment.

Brewing and Social Life Along the Erie Canal

at the Erie Canal Museum, 318 Erie Blvd. E.
Thursday, November 9, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Come listen to a talk about brewing and social life along the Erie Canal. A question and answer segment will follow at The Evergreen ([map](#)), featuring museum curators, Robert Searing (Onondaga Historical Association) and Ashley Maready (Erie Canal Museum). CNYHistory.org or 315-428-1864 Cost: Free



Holidays in the City

Save the Date(s): Friday & Saturday, December 16 & 17

Holidays in the City, a series of holiday events and attractions in the Heart of Downtown Syracuse, offers a one-of-a-kind winter experience. Presented by Advance Media New York, the weekend will feature real reindeer, a "smart" Santa experience *and* outdoor ice skating with Santa, street-side carolers, a walk along the Window Wonderland route, a free movie at the Landmark Theatre, museum exhibits and more! For your convenience, there will be a holiday shuttle that will take you and your family from destination to destination. Don't miss the festive fun in Downtown Syracuse! More info: www.holidaysinsyr.com

16 New Apartments Opening in the Tallman Block

Located above Aster Pantry & Parlor

Construction is underway at the 146-year-old Tallman Block building, located at 215 West Fayette Street to create 16 new one-bedroom apartments on the top two floors. Apartments will range in size from 500 to 850 square feet, and will boast granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, tile backsplashes, under-counter lighting and exposed brick walls. While 12 of the units will share a central terrace, four apartments will have their own private terraces off of a courtyard in the middle of the building. Astor Pantry & Parlor will remain open on the first floor.



Renovations Underway at The Chimes Building

147 apartments planned; building to be restored to 1929 appearance



When the upgrades at The Chimes Building are complete, the building will feature nearly 150 apartments. Right now, owner Abe Einhorn is upgrading 47 apartments (on floors 3 - 6) from the previous owner. When this part of the project is complete, Einhorn says his team will build 100 additional apartments (on floors 7 - 12). The units, a mix of one-, two- and three-bedroom units, will range in size from 650 to 1,300 square feet. Granite countertops, stainless steel appliances and security upgrades are in store.

The exterior of The Chimes Building - designed by the same team of New York City architects who designed the Empire State Building - will be restored to the way it looked when it opened in 1929. Einhorn said he was drawn to the building because of the rebirth happening in Downtown Syracuse. The iconic chimes, which many Central New

Yorkers fondly remember hearing play out from the roof, are now displayed in the lobby for residents and guests.

Popular Lake Ontario Pub Moving to Armory Square

A popular pub in Sackets Harbor is moving to Downtown Syracuse! **The Hops Spot**, which opened in Sackets Harbor in 2011, is planning to relocate to Armory Square - and could be open as soon as January. The pub - known for beer, burgers and poutine - will move into 122 Walton Street, a space formerly occupied by Bounce. The owners, Ryan and Cheryl Chaif, are planning about 12 to 15 variations of burgers and poutine for the new location. The pub will also serve cocktails, and feature 50 taps including beer, a line of soda and kombucha (Bodhi) produced by Skewed Brewing. Skewed Brewing, located in the Salmon River Mall in Watertown, is also owned by The Hops Spot's owners. The Armory Square location will be the only place other than the Salmon River Mall that will serve this beer.



Help Preserve One of Armory Square's Most Iconic Buildings

The MOST needs your support!



The Museum of Science and Technology (MOST) has started a GoFundMe crowdfunding campaign and needs your help!

The museum continues to grow with new programs and exhibits, but can't keep up with building repairs such as a leaking roof, HVAC failures and other day-to-day maintenance problems. Built in 1906, the age and condition of the Armory demands resources the MOST cannot currently meet or sustain.

Your donation (no matter how big or small) will help keep downtown's wonderful science museum on its feet. The MOST says the equivalent of one adult admission ticket (\$12) will help preserve the museum for tomorrow's doers, dreamers and thinkers.



Minutes: General Membership Meeting of October 3, 2017

Those gathered enjoyed the refreshments before the meeting (5:55 – 6:09pm).

The meeting was called to order at 6:09pm by President Bill Cooper.

No corrections were noted to the September meeting minutes; a motion was made by Don Goulet, seconded by Dave Osborn, and the minutes were approved by the membership. Treasurer Ann Goehner reported balances as of August 31st as Checking: \$ and Investment: \$ There were no new members or guests in attendance tonight.

Board elections will be held at the November meeting for Vice President, Treasurer, Programs Director and Public Relations Director. Vice President Don Goulet had nothing new to report.

Under Public Relations: The Syracuse New Times is printing a program for Lights on the Lake that will be inserted into the Nov. 15th edition and the November Family Times, and distributed to each car that attends the event. After discussion, a motion was made by Don Goulet & seconded by Yvonne Russell to place a ½ page ad (cost \$750) for the UDT; the motion was approved. Syracuse Winterfest will also be placing a ½ page ad.

In Membership, there was nothing new for Sunshine. The Meet Out/Eat Out locations for October were as noted in the newsletter: Denny's in North Syracuse on the 11th and Twin Trees on Milton Ave. on the 24th. Other activities that were listed in the October newsletter were reviewed: apple picking & lunch at Beak & Skiff orchard on the 14th, Board Games & Cards at the West Genesee St. Wegman's on the 16th, Book/Movie review on the 30th & the Beaver Lake Carved Pumpkin Festival on the 26th. The restaurant we've held the Volunteer Recognition Dinner at is now open again as Vito's with the same menu available. Members were asked to consider whether to hold it again during the last week in December or would they prefer in January.

Special Events Director Diane Knowlton reported the following volunteer opportunities: Empire State Marathon on Sunday, Oct. 8th at NBT stadium & Onondaga Lake Park; Festival of Trees at Everson Museum of Art, Nov. 30 – Dec. 10; and Gingerbread Gallery at Erie Canal Museum, Nov. 24 – Jan. 5.

Programs Director Josie Losurdo was absent. Regarding the Winterfest Cook-offs, Bill called Patty Sheridan from Syracuse Suds Factory who offered to help promote the events, but he got no reply from leaving her a message. Syracuse Winterfest is looking for a theme for the 2018 festival.

There was no 50/50 drawing this month. There was no Unfinished Business, New Business, or Membership Announcements.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:15pm by Yvonne Russell and seconded by Len Kolakowski.



The Updowntowners are once again going to help Santa fulfill some children's wishes this Christmas by contributing to the Toys for Tots collection at WSTM Channel 3.

If you would like to add to our donation, please bring an unwrapped, new toy to our General Membership Meeting on December 5th.



Sunday, December 10th

2pm – 6pm

Bill Cooper's home

If exchanging cookies, please bring

3 dozen to exchange

& a container to collect them in.

Please also bring a snack to share

& your choice of beverage.

<h1>November 2017</h1>			1	2	3 Happy Hour- Firudo's Japanese Steak House	4  SU vs. Florida State
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends	6	7 General Membership Meeting San Miguel Mexican Restaurant, 6pm	8	9	10 Happy Hour- ?	11  SU home vs. Wake Forest Veterans Day
12	13	14	15	16	17 Happy Hour- ?	18  SU vs. Louisville
19	20	21 Board Meeting Bill's house, 6 pm	22	23 	24 Happy Hour- ? Christmas Tree Lighting	25  SU home vs. Boston College
26	27 Newsletter deadline	28 Meet Out / Eat Out	29	30 		

Activities & Outings

“Spirits in the Backyard” -

Presentation about 150 year old Abbott Farm’s new hard cider and fruited wine production; Liverpool Library, Mon., Nov. 6, 7pm – 8:30pm

Meet Out / Eat Out - Tues., Nov. 28th
6pm at Inn of the Seasons
4311 W. Seneca Turnpike

Board Games & Cards - 6pm,
Wed., Nov. 29th at Café at Wegman’s
3401 West Genesee Street

Dickens Christmas in Skaneateles -
Saturdays & Sundays from Nov. 24th – Dec. 24th
Join a group at Noon on Saturday,
Dec. 16th for lunch at Doug’s Fish Fry
and a stroll around town.



Lights on the Lake

Walk through the lights
on Monday, November 13th
with a group
(meet at Willow Bay at 5pm & call Diane
at 426-2880 so she knows who's coming)
or
with a canine buddy
on Tuesday, November 14th

Drive through on Monday, December 4th
Meet at Heid's at 5:30pm \$3 for carpooling
Call Diane at 426-2880 before noon
on Dec. 3rd for reservations