

# the Updowntowner

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**UPDOWNTOWNERS OF SYRACUSE, Inc.**

advances and promotes activities, events, and programs to involve its members and the general public in enriching the social, cultural, educational, commercial and residential life of the Syracuse Community.

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**General Membership Meeting  
April 3, 2018**

**A. Call to Order & Welcome**

**B. Reports**

1. President
2. Secretary – minutes of March meeting
3. Treasurer
4. Introduce new members and/or guests
5. Vice President
6. Public Relations
7. Membership
  - a. Sunshine
  - b. Outings
8. Special Events
  - a. Upcoming Events
9. Programs

**C. Unfinished Business**

**D. New Business**

**E. Membership Announcements**

**F. 50/50 drawings**

**G. Adjournment**

**Volunteer Opportunities**

**Earth Day Clean-up of Downtown**

**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

- 8:30 am: Clinton & Adams Streets - Meet at the parking lot behind 572 South Salina Street
- 9:00 am: Onondaga Creekwalk - Meet at the Walton Street extension near West Street
- 9:30 am: Armory Square - Meet at Sugarman Park, on the green lawn at The MOST
- 10:30 am: Downtown East - Meet at 217 Montgomery Street (Map of locations available @ downtownsyracuse.com)

**Syracuse Heart Walk**

SRC Arena at OCC  
**Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Mountain Goat Run**

Begins at MOST in Armory Square  
**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Downtown Living Tour**

**Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**



The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Creek Float will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, May 20, 2018. Creek Float is a floating art parade held on Onondaga Creek through the heart of downtown Syracuse. The event is held in an effort to raise awareness and appreciation for the conservation of Onondaga Creek and the newly renovated Onondaga Creekwalk. The event coordinators work closely with Creek Rats, Inc., a nonprofit conservation group committed to preserving Onondaga Creek and promoting the beautification of downtown Syracuse and the Creekwalk. It is a fun twist on the standard perception of an art show.



**Creek 2018 Float**  
**Call for artists!**  
**May 20th Of This YEAR!!!**  
**Create a piece of art that floats!**  
 (Less than 3 ft tall and at least 2-3 ft wide)  
**Drop off:** 1-2pm at the launch site @324 W Water St, Syracuse, NY  
**Creek Float:** Floating Art Parade will begin @ 3pm with viewing along the creekwalk in Franklin Square.  
**Float Pickup:** At the finish line between 4-4:30pm @ 500 Plum St, Syracuse, NY  
**Make floating art!**

**2018 Organ Crawl Tickets On Sale Now** *Sunday, April 29, 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm*

Come hear the organs in a way you've never heard them played before! The Cathedral Square Neighborhood Association invites the community to join them as they present the **2018 Organ Crawl, a Showcase of Sound and History** on **Sunday, April 29** from **1:30 pm to 4:00 pm**. The listening tour stars four locally *and* internationally renowned organists, and four majestic church organs located within the Cathedral Square neighborhood of Downtown Syracuse.

Each organist will play for 25 minutes, taking the audience through a symphony of sound, show off the organs in a way you've never heard before. Event organizers will lead the crowd to the second, third and fourth stops along the listening tour (all located within a half-mile radius of one another). In addition to beautiful music, the Organ Crawl highlights historic facts about each church and organ.

The listening tour begins at Plymouth Congregational Church promptly at 1:30 pm, and concludes with a reception at the Park Central Presbyterian Church Parish House following the last performance, expected to start around 4:00 pm. Advance sale tickets are on sale now for \$12. You can reserve tickets over the phone to be paid for and picked up on the day of the tour by calling Alice Maggione at 315-470-1953.



## Minutes: General Membership Meeting of March 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:13pm by President Bill Cooper.

No corrections were noted to the February meeting minutes; a motion was made by Don Goulet, seconded by Len Kolakowski, and the minutes were approved by the membership. Treasurer Ann Goehner reported balances as of January 31<sup>st</sup> as Checking: \$ and Investment: \$ There were no guests or new members in attendance.

Under Public Relations: nothing new to report, we did not participate in the St. Patrick's Parade this year.

Vice President Don Goulet announced that Ed Riley, the redeveloper of the Marriott Syracuse Downtown (former Hotel Syracuse), has been chosen to receive The Updowntowners' 2017 Award for Excellence. Committee Chairperson Len Kolakowski will prepare a letter to be sent to him and make the arrangements for the presentation, likely to be sometime in April.

In Membership, there was no new Sunshine to report. The Iron Chef cooking competition was this past Saturday at Kolakowski's house. It was a fun time with much good food. The results are listed in the March newsletter. Meet Out/Eat Out locations are: Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at China Pavilion in Westvale Plaza and Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at Coleman's. Diane Knowlton will plan a visit to the new casino in Bridgeport (Point Place) for an evening in April. Bill asked members to think about ways to generate more membership.

Break (6:24pm – 6:44pm)

Special Events Director Diane Knowlton reported the following volunteer opportunities: Irish Road Bowling at Onondaga Lake Park on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, the Earth Day Clean-up (with various locations having separate start times) and The Syracuse Heart Walk at SRC Arena at OCC both on Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>, Mountain Goat run on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and the Downtown Living Tour on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Under Programs, Bill Cooper reported there were only 2 entries for the Chili Cook-off and the Chowder Cook-off was cancelled since there was only one entrant. The Wing Walk proceeded smoothly with nine locations participating and approximately 1300 tickets sold. Bill spoke with Mr. Riley at the downtown Marriott and was told they would like to produce Party in the Plaza outside their building utilizing Warren Street and the plaza around AXA Towers and the Tech Garden. Some discussion followed about what our plans might be for a summer event.

There was no Unfinished or New Business and no Membership Announcements.

There was no 50/50 drawing. Motion to adjourn was made at 7:10pm by Don Goulet and seconded by Diane Knowlton.

### Do You Want to Rappel Down a Downtown Building?



**FEARLESS 4 KIDS!**

TAKE YOUR SUPPORT OF  
MCMAHON/RYAN  
CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER  
TO NEW HEIGHTS!

**You can go Over The Edge!**

Rappel down  
One Park Place\* on  
August 18th & help us  
raise \$100,000!

**Over the  
EDGE  
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4 Kids**

McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center

picture yourself here!

Have you ever dreamed of rappelling down the side of building? On August 18, 2018 the McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center and One Park Place in Downtown Syracuse are giving you that opportunity! "Over the Edge" is an exciting, high profile and exclusive event to the CNY area where 90 brave participants will have the opportunity to rappel down One Park Place in order to raise money for the McMahon/Ryan Child Advocacy Center. The day will be filled with food, fun, & festivities while celebrating the brave rappellers. No rappelling or climbing experience is required for participants. Over the Edge staff consists of professionals with an outstanding safety record who will provide the technical expertise, training and equipment needed to perform the event.

1	2 	3 <b>General Membership Meeting</b> 6pm @ San Miguel's	4	5 Meet Out / Eat Out	6 Happy Hour- ?	7 
8 	9	10	11	12	13 Happy Hour- ?	14
15	16	17 <b>Board Meeting</b> 6pm Bill's house	18 Award for Excellence presentation	19	20 Happy Hour- ? Meet Out / Eat Out	21 
22 Earth Day	23	24 Meet Out / Eat Out	25	26 	27 Happy Hour- ?	28
29	30 	<h1>APRIL 2018</h1>				



**Rene McGarvey April 25<sup>th</sup>**

If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant: if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.  
~Anne Bradstreet

**Meet Out / Eat Out**

**Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Point Place** at 6pm  
 In front of Burgers of Madison County  
 Route 31, Bridgeport

**Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**Golden Spike Pub** at 6pm  
 411 W. Manlius St., East Syracuse

**Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Olive Garden** at 6pm  
 3147 Erie Boulevard East, Dewitt

all Diane at 426-2880 for reservations

