

# THE UPDOWNTOWNER

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## **Marriott Syracuse Downtown to Host Block Parties Before Syracuse University Football Games** Three hours before seven scheduled SU home games

The stretch of Warren Street in front of the Marriott Syracuse Downtown - from Harrison St. to Onondaga St. - will close to traffic and fill with activity for 3 hours before all seven Syracuse University home football games this season. There will be food trucks, live music and an outdoor bar.

Before the game, the hotel will offer shuttles to bring fans to the game.

The Marriott Syracuse Downtown is the official hotel of Syracuse University Athletics.

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**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  
Tuesday, September 5, 2017**

- A. Call to Order & Welcome
- B. Reports
  - 1. President
  - 2. Secretary – minutes of August 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



**Dave Osborn  
September 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Volunteer Opportunities**

***Dunkin Run  
- ARC Race***  
**Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>  
at Long Branch Park**

***Empire State  
Marathon***  
**Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>  
at Onondaga Lake Park**

**Syracuse Style**

**September 14<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm**

**100 Block of Walton Street FREE**

It's time again for Syracuse's premier fashion event!  
Join the Downtown Committee of Syracuse and Syracuse Fashion Week for an epic night of fall fashion from dozens of Downtown boutiques.  
A VIP party will precede the event at 6:00 pm.  
More information will be released soon,  
on how to obtain those tickets.

## Minutes: General Membership Meeting of August 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:59pm by President Bill Cooper.

No corrections were noted to the July meeting minutes; a motion was made by Tim Wright, seconded by Yvonne Russell, and the minutes were approved by the membership. Treasurer Ann Goehner reported balances as of June 30<sup>th</sup> as Checking: \$ and Investment: \$. That checking balance does not include the grant check for \$ (for last summer's Hanover Live!) which was deposited in July.

There were no new members or guests in attendance tonight.

Vice President Don Goulet was away on vacation. Award for Excellence chairperson Len Kolakowski reported that he forwarded a copy of the August newsletter to awardee Amaus Health Service, as the photos from the presentation were on the cover.

Under Public Relations: We held our Friday night Happy Hour on the 21<sup>st</sup> at the Winds of Cold Springs Harbor Marina Tiki Bar. There was a good sized crowd there that evening, Bill Cooper took photos. The sponsorship banner over the stage has our logo nice and big right in the center. The owner does a pretty good job of mentioning us in most of his posts on Facebook.

In Membership, there was nothing new under Sunshine. The Meet Out/Eat Out for August is at The Barking Gull by Onondaga Lake in Liverpool on Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup>; September's will be at Mangia Italian Grill in Baldwinsville on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Special Events Director Diane Knowlton reported the following volunteer opportunities: Brew at the Zoo, Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at Rosamund Gifford Zoo; Liverpool Brewfest at Sharkey's on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, shifts are 2-6pm & 5-10pm; Hope for Heather on August 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at the NY State Fair; and Dunkin Run – ARC Race on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at Long Branch Park.

Break (6:17pm – 6:34pm)

Programs Director Josie Losurdo was absent. The Arts & Crafts BBQ had a total of 139 served (123 crafters & staff, and 16 volunteers). We need to start looking forward toward Winterfest (believe it or not!). We are hoping that an earlier start will help in getting more entries for the Cook-offs. We will likely hold them in Clinton Square again for the coming year. Len Kolakowski volunteered to work on a new flyer to post online and distribute to restaurants, etc.

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

In the 50/50 drawing, Yvonne Russell and Bill Cooper had numbers drawn resulting in each receiving \$3.50. Motion to adjourn was made at 6:45pm by Tim Wright and seconded by Dave Osborn.

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### AmeriCU Arts & Crafts Festival Drew 50,000 People to Downtown

The streets around Columbus Circle came alive with the talents of 165 artists and an estimated 50,000 visitors who wanted to browse and purchase fine art and contemporary arts and crafts. Presented by AmeriCU, the 47th Annual Syracuse Arts and Crafts Festival provided fun for the whole family.

### FESTIVALS in SEPTEMBER:

#### Syracuse Irish Festival

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

Clinton Square

Listen to more than a dozen bands on two stages. You also can get your face painted and an Irish language name tag.

#### Westcott Street Cultural Fair

Sunday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

Westcott Street, Syracuse

Celebrate the diversity of the Westcott neighborhood at the 26th annual festival, which features visual and performing arts, food and family-friendly activities.

#### Golden Harvest Festival

Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

Beaver Lake Nature Center, Baldwinsville

The 40th annual old-fashioned, country fair-styled event features hands-on nature activities, horse-drawn hayrides, live animal demonstrations and local craft vendors. There also will be live music and entertainment. Admission is free, but there is a charge for some activities.

#### La Festa Italiana

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

Downtown Syracuse

The annual event features bocce tournaments, live entertainment, children's crafts and contests — and more than 25 local restaurants and caterers selling food.

## Nine Apartments Planned for the Piper Phillips Building in Armory Square



The Piper Phillips Building, located at 229-237 West Fayette Street will soon boast nine apartments. Plans call for one two-bedroom duplex with an entrance off West Fayette Street, and eight one-bedroom units on the upper two-floors of the building. The apartments will range from 500 to 1,100 square feet, with monthly rents ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,300. All units will include a washer and dryer, fine finishes and full kitchens. Three of the apartments will feature large, outdoor private terraces. The space where the apartments will go once served as a hotel for railroad workers, but has been used as office space for decades. The Piper Phillips Building is home to China Cafe on the first floor - with a second storefront space available. The new owners, Richard Grabowsky, Jeffrey Appel and John Caraccioli, recently also purchased the Bentley Settle Building (which houses Hall of Fame Barbershop and Empire Brewing Co.) as well as two other downtown buildings. Three office tenants currently located in the Piper Phillips Building will move to the Bentley Settle Building. In the days of the thriving railroad, a horse stable once connected the two buildings.

## Verizon Tower Renovation in Process

### Tower to remove top 58-feet of building

You'll soon notice a change in Downtown Syracuse's skyline, as crews work to remove the top 58 floors from the Verizon Building (a total of 237-feet), as well as its microwave emitters (which have not been used in years). Removing this portion will allow the building to be in compliance with the Federal Aviation Administration, which requires buildings taller than 200-feet with antennas to install warning strobes. Plans also call for a new facade, and new signage. The project is expected to be complete in 2018.



## Artisan Donut Shop Set to Open Downtown This Fall

### Glazed & Confused to move into 211 N Clinton Street

The makers of the Taste of Syracuse favorite, the Dizzy Pig, plans to set up shop Downtown and serve up more tasty treats. Glazed & Confused plans to open in the space formerly occupied by Darwin on Clinton this fall. Best known for its donuts, the shop will also offer other menu items, including burritos, milkshakes, fresh-squeezed juice and coffee.

## Orbis Lounge Coming To Hanover Square This Fall

Orbis Lounge will open at 134 East Genesee St. in Hanover Square this fall. Though specific details are still being ironed out, the cocktail and wine bar will feature a menu including basic necessities such as burgers and snacks, as well as more culturally diverse options. It will be open for happy hour and at night. Orbis, which means "globe" in Latin, will be run by Matija Popovic, a former employee of World Lounge & Martini Bar (which formerly occupied the address).



# September 2017

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3	4 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	5 Gen. Membership Meeting 6 pm @ San Miguel's Mexican Restaurante	6 	7	8 Happy Hour: <b>?</b>	9  SU home vs. Middle Tennessee	
10 Grandparents Day City Market	11 Patriot Day 	12	13 Meet Out/ Eat Out	14 Syracuse Style (Fashion Show)	15 Happy Hour: <b>?</b> Meet Out/ Eat Out	16  SU home vs. Central Michigan	
17	18	19 Board Meeting 6 pm @ Bill's	20	21 Newsletter Deadline	22 Happy Hour: <b>?</b>	23  SU at LSU	
24	25	26 Meet Out/ Eat Out	27	28	29 Happy Hour: <b>?</b>	30  SU at North Carolina State	

MEET OUT / EAT OUT

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**Wegman's (new & improved)**

6789 E. Genesee Street, Dewitt

Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**American Legion Fish Dinners**

5575 Legionnaire Drive, Cicero

Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**Mangia Italian Grill**

2 Oswego Street, Baldwinsville

Call Diane at 426-2880 for reservations

In Clinton Square Tuesdays 7:00 am - 3:00 pm  
through October ?



Book / Movie Review

**"The Glass Castle"**

Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 6pm

Onondaga Free Library

4840 W Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse  
(near the fireplace on the 2nd floor)

## CITY MARKET

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, May - October  
10am - 5pm

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401 Harrison Street

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Handmade Items • Food

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Vendor Information: 315-449-0015 or Email: [underants@everson.org](mailto:underants@everson.org)

Two more –  
Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>  
& Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>