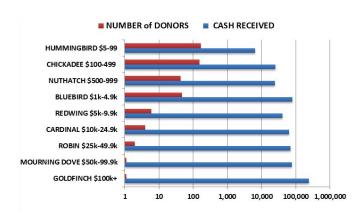


WELCOME TO OUR SPECIAL UZ SUMMER NEWS, WHERE THE FOCUS IS ON **YOU** OUR LOYAL DONORS!

BY JOAN M SINNOTT PHD, CHAIR OF UTICA ZOO DONOR RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

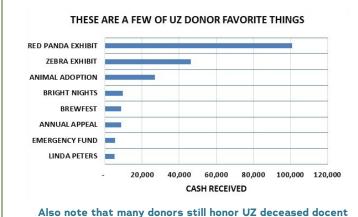
We proudly report that the total amount raised in 2021 was \$631,530.*

For the statistically inclined, here we show the donation distributions by BIRD/ DONOR family. For example, our most populous family (HUMMINGBIRDS) consisted of 168 donors, who contributed a total of \$6,443. There was one donor each in the MOURNING DOVE (\$76,750) and GOLDFINCH (\$244,123) family.



If you would like to see our LOVELY ZOO get even BIGGER AND BETTER in the future, consider moving UP to the next level bird family next year!

NEW THIS YEAR: In keeping with our tribute to North American Songbirds AND John James Audubon, we introduce you to a new bird family (those melodious songsters, the Woodthrushes) for our IN-KIND donors! Special thanks in particular to those generous reliable yearly gifts from Total Solutions (Big Mike Morrill) and Walmart #6038 (Kevin Wiegand).



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LINDA PETERS, who passed in 2021, giving a total of
\$5,016 in her memory.

Many DONORS give their gift in response to a specific program. Shown above are the most popular giving themes for 2021. By far, the future RED PANDA EXHIBIT came out on top (\$100,793), thanks largely to a wonderful gift of \$76,750 by the Community Foundation of Oneida and Herkimer Counties

THANK YOU to the Utica Zoo's WOOD THRUSH FAMILY Turdidae / Hylocichla mustelina

ABC Fire Extinguisher Co / James Barefoot / \$1400

Big Apple Music / Mark Bolos Sr / \$250

Nicholas Bonacci / unknown value

Brownie's Tent & Awnings / unknown value

Business Machines & Equipment / Steve Mitchell / \$2995

Dino's Sausage & Meat Co Inc / Tony Ferrucci / \$500

Galaxy Communications / Jen Major / unknown value

General Security Inc / \$310

Alan & Andria Heath / \$300

Human Technologies Corporation / Barry Depot / \$212

Alicia Jewell / and by 5 yr old Hayes / unknown value

Sigmund & Jessica Kelsey / unknown value

Orazio LaPorte / \$20

Giada McKenzie / unknown value

Kate Miano / \$100

Mountainside Medical Equipment / \$3496

MVHS / \$12,585

NA Walbran Elementary School 2nd Grade / Mary Zarnoch-Riley / \$250 Parkway School Student Council / \$250

PJ Green / \$200

Shawn Quinn / unknown value

Total Solutions / Big Mike Morrill / \$18,960Tractor Supply Distribution Center / Shane Whaley / \$900

Wal-Mart #6038 Community Grants Team / Kevin Wiegand / \$14,528

From our Executive Director

It hardly seems possible 10 years have passed since the Utica Zoo business card with my name on it was printed. The turn from decade one to beyond is filled with big dreams of fulfilling more of our Dream Big Master Plan and we're well on our way with the addition of the Visitor Welcome Center funded by the City of Utica through the Rescue Plan Act of 2021, NYS Parks and privately from the Sinnott Family/Bank of Utica.

With the addition of staff from the Mohawk Valley and from across the nation, improvements to some older habitats and plans for new ones, meeting and greeting donors both ongoing and new....there are so many parts of this job (not sure I can even call it that!) which I enjoy and appreciate every day.

Thank you to each of you for supporting the Utica Zoo.... a unique treasure for a city of our size.







From our Board Chair

Reflecting on the past year, while we still saw challenges from the aftermath of the shut down, watching our staff pivot on an almost daily basis was amazing. I am more than ever confident in our team, and we look forward to seeing what we can accomplish over this next year. We want to thank our members and community for your continued support.

- Levin Conway

^{*} This total reflects private, not contractual donations.

RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD FAMILY

Trochilidae | Archilochus colubris | \$5 - \$99

A-G

Anonymous

Theresa Aiello

Eliza Alford

David Almleaf

George & Joanne Amendolare

Cheyenne Aney Christine Baker

Deanne Balutis

Douglas Barnum

Christine Barry

John Bartle

Helen Bartlett

George Bauer

Carol Bennett

Seann Bishop

Boyd Bissell / Mr Pierre Bedard

Aaron Black

George Boufford / Jasmine Cole

Tania Brady Erica Branck

Emily Braun

Frank Brigano

Sara Brown

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Dianne Cronauer

Nicole Curley

Cynthia Dardano

Chad Davis

Mark & Monique Dembrow

Sarah DeSarro

Michael & Kristin Dillane

Meaghan Dineen

Jeanne Dodge

Mary Dundon

Brendan & Michele Dunn

Amy Edkins

John Faust

Lisa Filletti

Todd & Pamela Finn

Mary Fiore

David Flansburg

Robert & Kathy Foote

Sue Ford

Robert & Diane Fortnam

Megan A Furman

Sarah Galbally

Betty Gardner

Anthony & Donna Gerardo

Helen Gocek

MaryGreen

Martine & Larry Guyot-Bender

/ Paul Guyot-Bender

H-P

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Deborah Hapanowicz

Arthur Haynes III

Carson Hess

Casi Hess Bob Hess

Andrea Holehan

Samantha Holmes

Frances Holzberger

Ned & Kristy Jaquish

Shannon Jasinski

Margaret Jevens
Dennis & Sybil Johnson

Audrey Johnson

George & Rebecca Joslin

Vin & Barbara Karl

Amanda Kell

Cynthia Kelly

Kevin Kennedy/ Keri Kennedy

Megan Kenny

Stephen Keyser

Mary Killmeier

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Scarlett Laurenzo

John & Susan Lavoe

Karen Livingston

Killian Logan

Dr. Andrew Luck / Dr Judy Golden

Megan Lumnah

Lorraine Lundstrom

John Madia

Jerry & Carol Malloy

Dr. W Anthony & Carol Mandour

Catherine Manion

Brenda Marshall

David Mathis

Mary Mattingly

Alfred & Judith Mc Dowell

Megan McCoy

Carol McFarland

William McMyler

Kathy Merrell

Brandon Metz

Rosalie Mikus

Susan Miller

Phillip & Marie Montana

Karen Moylan

Mary Mulchy

Erin Murray MVHS

Michael & Dianne Nassar

Elizabeth Nassar

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Liesl Okuda

Rose & Regina O'Toole

Catherine Page

Patricia Palumbo

Peter Parsons

Francis & Rosemarie Peo

Wayne & Ava Perrigo

Mary Peter John Prumo

Q-Z

Howard & Paula Quick

Timothy & Cynthia Reed

Bella Reich

Marcia Reilly

Paul & Leona Rivkin

Randy & Judeanne Rockford Thomas & Judith Rowlands

David & Sarah Roy

Gary Ruben / Ms Rosalynn

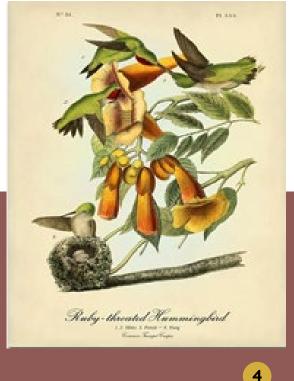
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Steve Rudd

Patricia Rumrich

Edward Salisbury
Diane Schloop

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"This lovely little creature moving on humming winglets through the air..."

CONTINUED THANKS to the Utica Zoo

RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD FAMILY

Trochilidae | Archilochus colubris | \$5 - \$99

Keith Schuderer

Laura Sharkey

Colby Sifkovits

Laura Sinnott / Albert Pope

Nathanael Smith

Jake & Allie Snyder

Mary Ellen Snyder

James & Lee Ann Solan

Jon and Geri Speich

Mike Spina

Matthew & Noelle Sprague

Christina Stanton

Christina & Gary Steele

Jason Stephens

Bonnie Swisher

Jessica Tehan

Mark Ucasz

Upstate Wealth Consultants LLC

Susan Uvanni

Alfred & Maria Valentini

Brian & Bonnie Vanderlan

Kathy White

Elissa Widomski

William Williams

Alexandra Willis



Utica Zoo Education

After a year of mostly virtual programs in 2020, our education team was able to expand our programing to offer more in person options for 2021, while still having virtual opportunities during the times where COVID-19 cases were on the rise or for facilities that could not yet welcome us back in person! Among the virtual programs we offered this year, we were able to develop our virtual hatchlings program for a private preschool program. We met virtually once a week over the course of 6 weeks to teach the young learners who were part of this program about some of the amazing animals we have at the zoo!

During July and August, we visited libraries across the area with our zoomobile for the Mid York Library System's Summer reading program entitled "Tails and Tales." Our educators taught at 25 libraries in and around Central New York about the different ways that animals utilize their tails to survive in their habitats. We were also able to expand our offerings of Summer Zoo Camp as well, providing programs for preschoolers through high schoolers over the school break.

We are happy to be able to continue to offer virtual programs to those unable to visit us across New York State, as well as seeing a return to in person visits.

Total In Person Zoomobiles: 133

Total Virtual Programs: 49

Total Birthday Parties: 43

Total On Grounds Programs
(Zoo Camps, Homeschool Classes,
Ambassador Animal Encounters,
Admission Drivers, Guided Tours, ect.): 56

Total Field Trips: 34



Originally founded by Dorothy Richards as a wildlife sanctuary, the Utica Zoo now owns this pristine 1300 acres and provides programming and opportunity for nature walks. Visit uticazoo.org/beaversprite

Newly Acquired Animals in 2021

- Birth of a Prehensile-tailed skink
- Male and female Black swan
- Female Cape porcupine
- Three Degu
- Female Hartmann's mountain zebra
- Birth of two male and 1 female Urial



BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE FAMILY

Paridae | Parus atricapillus | \$100 - \$499

A-G

ABC Fire Extinguisher Co

Nancy Agen

Michael Alcott

Alpha Delta Kappa Nu Chapter

Jack & Debra Altdoerffer

Susan Anacker

Tara Anguish Fiona Augar

Sheila Baran

Matthew Barbour / Ms Amanda

Fullerton

Ferris Betrus Jr / Ms Cathy Waller

Irene Betz

Richard & Sheila Bishop

Black Sheep Sheds LLC

Mary Alice Bliss

Boilermaker / Mark Donovan

Karen Brown

Rita Brown

Susan Bull

Leighton Burns

Justin Caporale

Pete & Victoria Cataldo

Centerpoint Christian Fellowship

Garrett & Sara Cetnar
Catherine Chandler

Mary Clayburn

Donna Coffey

Leslie & Ylva Cortright

Janice & Jaimie Crawford

James Crumrine

Holly Ann Cumm

Cusworth Door & Window Co Inc

Michael & Carol Ann D'Accurzio

Connie Degen

Elis & Anne Delia

Samuel DiNitto

Lees & Susie Divine

Esther Donnenwirth

Mark & Kathy Donovan

DoubleTree by Hilton

Thomas Droz

Richard Falvo

Barbara Felice

Shirley Felt

Sandra Fenske

Keith & Cara Fenstemacher

Antionette Ferrucci

James M Fiore / Karen Schaffer

Fitzgerald, Depietro & Wojnas CPAS

If there are any inaccuracies, please notify us.

Mollie Foster

Frankfort Kiwanis / John J Long

Juanita Fuentes

Brian & Sandra Gaetano

Peter & Marianne Gaige

Alfred & Elaine Galime

Jennifer Geiger / Mark Linderman

Genesee Court

Judith Giannatelli

Gilroy Kernan & Gilroy

David & Sharon Goldenson
Drew & Donna Goodbread

Bartle & Judith Gorman

Jeff & Cathy Gornick

Greater Utica Chamber

of Commerce

H-P

Hannaford - Mohawk St. Utica

Kyle Hawkins

& Megan VanEvera

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Mauro's Glass Company

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Tom & Jean Morris

Robert Murphy

/ Dr Cynthia Rye DDS

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Thomas & Corrine Neumann

Jacob Newman

Janice Norton

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Edward & Barbara Paparella

Bridget Parke

David & Marcella Podos

Tony & Kris Putrelo

Francis & Rosemarie Peo

Wayne & Ava Perrigo

Mary Peter John Prumo

Q-Z

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Anthony & Shelly Spatto

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John Stevenson

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Swish White River LTD

/ Stef Nivaggie

Santo & Leonarda Tomaino

Bonnie Tuttle

Upstate Numismatic Services

/ Vincent Tramacera

Utica Professional Firefighters Local

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Don Vetal

Mary Vicks Ken Visalli

Marco Von Ballmoos

Voss' / Greg & Kim Voss

Charmaine White

Ray & Nancy Widrew

Derik Winnie

Derik Willing

William Wilson

Carol Wisniewski

Zaniewski Family
Tony & Jamie Zenzillo

Peter & Barbara Zisser

"Should you offer it, no matter how small a portion of your fare, it alights without hesitation, and devours it without manifesting any apprehension."



WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH FAMILY

Sittidae | Sitta carolinensis | \$500 - \$999

A-G

Dave & Carolyn Allen Bohlings Auto Service LLC

Daniel Brockway

Caruso McLean & Co Inc / Mr Kevin

Conway

Clinton Tractor / John Calidonna

Coffee Liberation Front LLC /

Christopher & Alison Cuff

Kevin & Cassie Conway

DDS Motor Sports / Sam Girmonde

Empower Federal Credit Union /

Eddie Barone

EZ Bottle & Can Return

Chris & Patty Fox

Marilyn Garvin

Donna Goodwin

Stephen & Julianne Gorczynski

Crystal Guzzardo

H-P

Alan & Andria Heath

Nicholas Hepler

Solace Hummel

Edward & Honore Iones

Dean & Eva Kelly

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Adam McLain, PhD

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Kenneth Moore / Suzanne Allen

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MV Wellness

MVP Healthcare

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R-Z

Kristen Skobla

Scott & Shelley Sook

Jack Spaeth

Carol Steele

Strategic Financial Services

Utica District Telephone EFCU

Wal-Mart Distribution Center /

Kevin Wiegand

"It moves alertly when searching for food, climbing downwards or sidewise, with cheerfulness and liveliness, which distinguish it at once from other birds."





All images and quotes from John James Audubon presented in this document are provided via courtesy of the John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove in Audubon PA.

John James Audubon (1785-1851)

He proclaimed himself an "unfettered and self-reliant woodsman". From 1805, he traveled extensively throughout America drawing and studying wildlife. "My knapsack, my gun, and my dog were all I had for baggage and company."

In 1863, the New York Historical Society purchased 430 original Birds of America watercolors from his widow, Lucy Audubon. Even then, the works were recognized as one of the finest accomplishments in American art and an important document in the natural history of the world.



EASTERN BLUEBIRD FAMILY

Turdidae | Sialia sialis | \$1000 - \$4999

A-G

AX Enterprize LLC / Patricia Baskinger Baird Foundation / Theresa Flemma Boulevard Trailers / Joseph Zabek Braden Packaging / Heather

Sweet

Catherine Brennan

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McCall

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Thomas & Carol Heburn

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 ${\it Maria\ Kontaridis\ /\ Mr\ Patrick\ Thrailkill}$

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Memorial Fund

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Thermo Heating & Air Conditioning

Co Inc

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Triad Foundation

Utica First Insurance Company

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James & Maria Viggiano

Richard & Martha Widdicombe

Marolyn Wilson

"The pure azure of its mantle, and the beautiful glow of its breast, render it conspicuous, as it flits through the orchard and gardens, crosses the fields of meadows or hops along by the road-side."



THANK YOU to the Utica Zoo REDWINGED

BLACKBIRD FAMILY

Icteridae | Agelaius phoeniceus | \$5000 - \$9999

Adirondack Bank

Bank of Utica Foundation Inc / Tom Sinnott

Carbone-Subaru

Hugh & Coky Humphreys

Jim & Deborah Wurz

"As soon as spring makes its appearance, almost all the Redwings leave the Southern States, in small detached and straggling flocks, the males leading the way in full song, as if to invite the females to follow."



CARDINAL FAMILY

Fringillidae | Cardinalis cardinalis | 10,000 - \$24,999

Estate of Richard Aversa

Dorothy Burney Richards Trust / John Crouse Burney

Betsi Dugan / in Memory of Barbara Lambert

First Source Federal Credit Union

Theresa Flemma / Jason Topi

"Go where it may, it is always welcome, and every where a favorite, so rich is its song, and so brilliant its plumage."



THANK YOU to the Utica Zoo

ROBIN FAMILY

Turdidae | Turdus migratorius | \$25,000 - \$49,999

Brindisi For Congress

Russell Warner Trust /
Ann Manion /
In memory of Ann D Warner
by Russell D Warner

"Nature again, in all the beauty of spring, promises happiness and abundance to the whole animal creation. Then it is that the Robin, perched on a fence-stake, or the top of some detached tree of the field, gives vent to the warmth of his passion."



MOURNING DOVE FAMILY

Columbidae | Zenaida macroura | \$50,000 - \$99,999

The Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida County

"The Dove announces the approach of spring. Nay, she does more: She forces us to forget the chilling blasts of winter, by the soft and melancholy sound of her cooing."



THANK YOU to the Utica Zoo

GOLDFINCH FAMILY

Fringillidae | Carduelis tristis | \$100,000+

Joan M. Sinnott, PhD

In Memory of

John James Sinnott (1875-1962) Founder, Bank of Utica

(1927)

Roger John Sinnott (1913-2009) President, Bank of Utica (1950-2000)



"In ascending along the shores of the Mohawk River, in the month of August, I have met more of these pretty birds in the course of a day's walk than anywhere else; and whenever a thistle was to be seen along either bank of the New York canal, it was ornamented with one or more Goldfinches."









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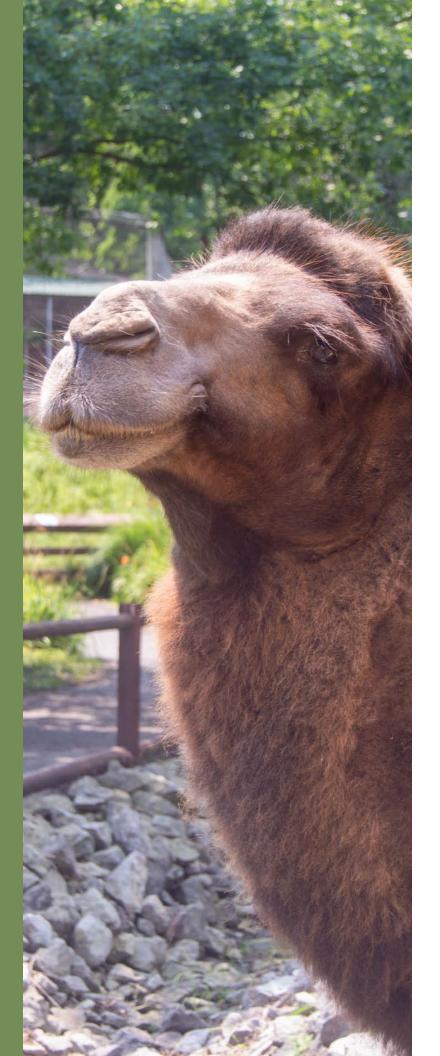
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Annual Report 2021

Mission

Utica Zoo creates unique experiences and promotes public appreciation of wildlife through education, conservation, and recreation.

Vision

Utica Zoo will be a premier destination for visitor experience while providing excellence in animal care.

Financials Statement of Activities

Support & Revenues

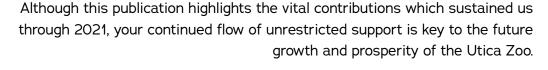
Contributions and Bequests	\$592,462
Donated Materials and Services	\$29,608
Grants - County	\$300,000
Grants - Other	\$661,600
Admissions Charges	\$466,032
Membership Dues	\$140,227
Gift Shop and Concession Sales	\$390,959
Lease and Rental Income	\$31,509
Fundraising	\$174,393
Investment Income (Loss)	\$2,316
Management Income	\$28,000
Miscellaneous	\$37,467
Program Income	\$111,113
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	
Total Revenues and Other Support	\$2,965,686

Expenses

Program Services	\$1,601,401
General and Administrative	\$434,897
Fundraising	\$149,494
Total Expenses	\$2,185,792

\$779,894

Net Revenue



There are countless ways to give back, through naming opportunities, sponsorship, planned giving, and more. Please call Andria Heath, Executive Director, at 315-738-0472 x41 to learn more about impactful means of supporting the Utica Zoo.





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