

## Call for Nominations for the Prestigious 2021 “Spirit of Ianelli” Award DEALINE EXTENDED TO JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>!

Plattsburgh, New York (May 18, 2021) – The Sunrise Rotary Club’s Mayor's Cup Regatta & Festival Committee is currently seeking nominations from the community for the prestigious 2021 “Spirit of Ianelli” Award.

### What is the “Spirit of Ianelli” Award?

The "Spirit of Ianelli" Award was established in 2010 in honor of the late Mayor John Ianelli, former Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh and co-founder of the Mayor’s Cup Regatta in 1978. This honor is bestowed upon one individual or individuals – sailor or landlubber – who exemplifies the same “community does matter” spirit that inspired Mayor Ianelli over 40 years ago, empowering our lake community to thrive, not only on race day, but every day.

“In general, Sunrise Rotary prefers to identify a single individual or individuals that exemplify community spirit and dedication,” explains Sunrise Rotary Club President, Sue LeBlanc-Durocher. “However, in times of crisis, as in the case of the Dannemora prison break in 2015, it is difficult to put a face to all the individuals who risked their lives to protect ours. This was also true last year, in the middle of a global pandemic, when Sunrise Rotary honored all local Frontline Essential Workers.”

### Past Honorees

The past honorees of the "Spirit of Ianelli" Award include:

- 2020 - Local Frontline Essential Workers
- 2019 - The Plattsburgh Air Park Restoration Group of Volunteers
- 2018 - Leigh and Stephens Mundy
- 2017 - Janet Duprey
- 2016 - Gordie Little
- 2015 - Local Law Enforcement of Clinton County, NY
- 2014 - Kit and Sally Booth
- 2013 - Bob Wallet
- 2012 - Roger Harwood
- 2011 - Matt Spiegel
- 2010 - Bob Pooler

### 2021 Nominees

To be considered, please forward your nomination no later than **Tuesday, June 22, 2021** to [joannedahlen@gmail.com](mailto:joannedahlen@gmail.com). Include your name and phone number, as well as, your nominee’s name, address, and phone number, and provide specific examples that illustrate their community spirit and dedication to protect and enhance the wonderful quality of life we enjoy on Lake Champlain.

### About Sunrise Rotary

To learn more about the Sunrise Rotary Club, the community projects the club has helped to develop and the organizations they support locally and around the world, please visit [www.plattsburghsunriserotary.org](http://www.plattsburghsunriserotary.org) or contact the club at [rotaryclub1982@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclub1982@gmail.com).