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## WANTED!!! ANNUAL SPONSORS

We're looking for sponsors to support our efforts to promote STEM! As requests are now reaching us weekly for demonstrations we're in need of more demonstration drones, batteries, & supplies for our volunteers. We're managing to prove that low-cost STEM options are possible with the support of our community of drone enthusiasts and our corporate friends! Join us in helping promote STEM through drones and help us maintain a vital recreation program link in the local drone education and employment pipeline! Request sponsorship paperwork:



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## Central New York's Drone Community Promoting STEM Education & Safety Awareness

We're CNY Drones, a group of volunteers providing a local informational hub, along with clinics, workshops, demonstrations and a STEM-based team drone competition created out of concern for our community and backed by local organizations.

### Tiny Whoop Success Growing Our Community

On Sunday, June 25, our key volunteers took the ball and ran with a workshop for **12 serious drone enthusiasts** ages 11-63. Tiny Whoop, an indoor racing class drone, lifted off. We hope to grow the pool of local indoor drone racers and freestylers as part of our MultiGP Chapter and Model Aviation Student Club. Workshop goal: participants left with a real working drone kit and the knowledge to get started practicing, repairing - and maybe even racing - with the rest us. We hope to offer more events in a collaborative effort with the Utica Children's Museum. Our plan is to foster more Tiny Whoop topics and to hold meetings and demonstrations for our MultiGP Chapter and Academy of Model Aeronautics Model Aviation Student Club. We're extra pleased that we now have at least new students interested in joining our ranks as volunteers for our upcoming demonstrations and plenty of new Tiny Whoop pilots! We also recently made new a new contact at the Utica Jewish Community Center and hope to work with them on growing STEM projects!



### Gateway Park Adventures Continue!

CNY Drones volunteers and other MultiGP members had their 1st time trial at a MultiGP scale course set up at the little-used Gateway Park in Bridgeport, NY. Our volunteers continue to share information with the Town of Cicero Parks Department on how best to set up for MultiGP events including DRONE INVASION Day on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Area drone racing enthusiasts (who are also our core volunteers) are excited to have an outdoor park and time trial race set up within an hour's drive. Spectators at our recent event just off Route 31 in the Town of Cicero, took turns watching First Person View of various racers during the 4-hour Practice Event. Eight racers participated in point qualifying rounds. Our next event includes our interactive STEM exhibit with FPV viewing, flight simulator and test flight zone (all weather permitting).

### Join us at the New York State Fair!

CNY Drones volunteers are honored to be involved with the new STEAM Exhibit at the 2017 New York State Fair! We're bringing out our Test Flight Zone, simulators, FPV viewing and plenty of AMA and safety information! As the largest demonstration to date, we're busy mapping out how to handle the anticipated crowds. Anyone wishing to join us? Several of us will be on hand to share our passion for drones and then take a walk through the other exhibits. Join us for a few hours and get free admission and parking as well as some friends to walk through exhibits with - we'll all be taking time to check out the new fried foods, the butter sculpture, sand sculpture & the midway! No flying experience needed. Just a willingness to share!

## Invites & Events

We're getting so many requests that we now have an online form on our website!  
 We can't make it all happen without more volunteers! Let us know your interest!  
 No flying experience needed! Just a willingness to promote STEM & meet new people!



**7/20/17 New Hartford Fire Truck Spectacular Demo** - New Hartford Fire Department graciously invited us to share with their anticipated 3,000 attendees at the annual event in the New Hartford Shopping Center parking lot. Check us out from 6:00-9:00pm and don't miss all the great rescue rigs on display! It's a great free family event on a summer evening! Look for us near the stage.

**7/23/17 Utica ALS World Record Challenge!** - We'll have a drone or 2 in the sky taking video & stills of the event as our donation to a great cause! Be sure to sign up & be a part of history at Murnane Field during the Blue Sox game!

**8/9/17 Seniors @ Utica Parkway Center** - we'll be doing a demonstration for the Parkway Center Seniors! We had an 82-year-old curious about drones at our Informational Day in Rome, so we're anticipating some interest from our friends in Utica!

**8/10 & 8/11/17 OHM BOCES P-TECH** We're looking for volunteers to take some time off from work to help some BOCES students with a drone project.

**8/26 & 8/27/17 New York State Fair STEAM Exhibit** - Our interactive exhibit will be growing to accommodate the 100,000+/day crowds anticipated at the Fair! We were honored to be asked to participate in the newest exhibit just inside the main gate! For 2-days we'll be giving drones an incredible spotlight!

**9/17/17 Tiny Whoop Indoor MultiGP Fun Fly!** – join us for an afternoon of learning about Tiny Whoop. Tiny Whoop owners will have flight zone for practice while newbies get a shot at learning flying with simulators and actual flight time in our test flight zone! **AMA Membership card will be required for admission.** (FREE for those under 19) Location & time TBA.

**10/1/17 Drone Informational Day @ Utica Parkway Center** - We're proposing a couple of events in partnership with our new friends at the Utica Parks Department and Boys & Girls Club of the Mohawk Valley, including our annual Drone Informational Day! What a wonderful central, easy to find location! We look forward to another great day and will be inviting local companies to join in soon! Contact us if you are interested in sharing your drone tech!

**10/15/17 MASC Drone Event TBD**

**11/16/17 Boy Scouts - Whitesboro, NY** – We're set to provide an interactive demonstration for November 16<sup>th</sup> to meet with their large group of 50+ scouts.

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## Yes - We're Looking For Sponsors!

We've been contacting area business & industry to help us continue to provide no-cost and low-cost STEM activities and events for the community. If your organization would like to support us – we're accepting annual sponsorships, donated items, and volunteers! Let us know how you can help!