## Rotary Club of Cohoes Teaches Members About Rotary Software

The Rotary Club of Cohoes has begun a program to provide instruction to club members on how to use software that District 7190 and Rotary International has provided for Rotary Clubs. The objective of this program is to make club members more aware of what information District 7190 and RI is making available to them, and encourage them to logon to these resources so they can become more informed Rotarians. This program will include guidance on using:

- ClubRunner, provided by District 7190 to clubs as a place to store contact information for club members.
- My Rotary, provided by Rotary International to obtain information about all aspects of Rotary.
- Rotary Club Central, a part of My Rotary, to view goals your club has set and how the club is doing to accomplishing them.

On January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Jack Madden, Technology Assistance Coordinator for the Cohoes club, opened this program with an introductory presentation to club members. He provided an overview of the relationship between ClubRunner, and My Rotary and Rotary Club Central.



Jack explained to club members their membership profile, the place in Club Runner where their contact information is. He showed them how to update their own contact information, and encouraged them to do so when anything changes (e.g. e-mail), and why it is important to keep it up to date. He also showed them

how to use ClubRunner to look up the contact information (address, phone number, etc) for a Rotarian in another club.

He showed club members how to create a My Rotary Account, a required prerequisite for logging on to My Rotary, followed by a brief overview of what learning and reference information they can find there. Finally he provided a brief introduction to Rotary Club Central by reviewing membership trends for the Rotary Club of Cohoes.

Bob Van Alstine, Leader of the district 7190 IT Assistance Group, explained to Cub members that in the comming weeks additional instruction will be provided on additional aspects of ClubRunner, My Rotary and Rotary Club Central.

## Successful January 1<sup>st</sup> Polio Fundraisers

On January 1, 2016, District 7190 had two great events. The Polio Plunge and Bowl over Polio. The Polio Plunge brought over 40 Rotarians in Red Shirts (End Polio Now) including two families, into the cold waters of Lake George. The first family was DG Milan, his wife Shelia, their son Milan and their granddaughter, Elizabeth. The second family was Rotarian Antoinette, her husband Jack and their children, Taylor and Sara. In addition, the District Governor Elect, John Mucha and the District Governor Nominee, Fred Daniels joined the "plunge." At least 120 supporters watched the red shirted Rotarians brave the cold water of Lake George from the beach. It ended with our Bowl over Polio which was at five different bowling alleys in our District - Boulevard Bowl, Clifton Park Bowl, Lake George Lanes, Latham Bowl and Town and Country Lanes. These two events, under the guidance of our PDG Anne Cargile, raised more than \$11,000.00 for Polio Plus.

What a great day. Anne Cargile





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