

# **Rota-Briefs**



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

July 9, 2008

**Invocation:** Mike Cooley

Song: Walter Speidel - ROTARY

Anniversaries: none Birthdays: none

**Visiting Rotarians:** Mike Popolizio, District Governor; Bill Nathan, Assistant; Byron Moak, Lansingburgh Club. **Guests:** Taylor Dedrick and family members: grand mother, Joyce; mother, Kelly; and brother Doug.

## **Big Bucks**

Mystery Raffle: Mike Cooley.

**Powerball:** Bob Van Alstine tried for the prize but was unsuccessful.

**Rotarians present:** Barrett, Brooks, Cooley, Demers, Farrell, Hornbrook, Hull, Libby, McDonald, O' Shea, Pasinella, Ries, Speidel, Tremblay E., Tremblay L., Van Alstine, R. T., Van Alstine, R. W.

Good News/Bad News: The following members paid happy dollars: Harry McDonald because a relative who plays baseball for the Minnesota Twins now plays 3<sup>rd</sup> base, Mike Brooks because we completed our first board meeting for the 2008/9 year, Colin Demers because he still owes the Board members a complementary drink, Al Pasinella because on Friday he and his wife leave for Connecticut to visit his grandchildren, Walter Speidel because the Yankees are on a roll (wining), Mike Brooks because the Orioles are on a roll, Bob Libby because the Red Sox are on a roll, Ed Tremblay because he and Linda had a much needed vacation on Cape Cod and Chuck Ries because Taylor Dedrick has decided not to become a lawyer.

## **Rotary Club Officers**

Colin Demers - President

Marshall Barrett -Vice President/Program Chair Robert W. Van Alstine -Secretary/Bulletin Editor

Michael Brooks-Treasurer

**Beverly Signoracci**-Sergeant At Arms **Mike Popolizio**-District Governor

**Cohoes Rotary Web Site** 

www.timesunion.com./communities/rotary/Cohoes

#### **Club Business:**

- Colin told the membership about the 2008/9 club event calendar.
- He also solicited volunteers to obtain speakers each month.
- Colin will e-mail membership about the committee structure for 2008/9 and asked for members to volunteer for committees.

#### **Program:**

**2007/8 Cohoes High School Scholarship Winner:** Bob Libby introduced and congratulated Taylor Dedrick, the 2007/8 Cohoes High School Scholarship winner. Taylor stated that she will be attending Siena College in the Fall majoring in Psychology.

#### **District Governor's Visit:**

Mike Popolizio, District Governor spoke to the membership about his focus for the 2008/9 year. He stated that it's not about the district; rather it's about the club! The focus of the district for 2008/9 is how they can help clubs accomplish their goals. In this regard, Bill Nathan is the first point of contact at the district level. The emphasis for our club is on membership. The district can help in this regard.

Mike also discussed several international service projects that the district has been involved in: Clean Water Project in China, and others in Haiti, and in South America. He also discussed the Rotary Foundation, the Bill and Melinda Gates 100 Million Dollar Challenge, and the RI Theme for 2008/9 - Make Dreams Real - focus on reducing the mortality rate of children. He is encouraging all Rotary clubs to sponsor service projects that focus on youth.

Mike also spoke about his background, and his father who was committed to helping people as a member of the NYCFD. Mike does this same thing through Rotary.

He concluded his remarks explaining his 'Build It and They Will Come' philosophy: organize your club so that members enjoy the meetings and want to attend. Then they will get more involved.

**Response:** Bob Libby responded on behalf on the club to Taylor Dedrick. Colin Demers responded on behalf of the club to Mike Popolizio, District Governor.

Next Week's Program: Award to Cohoes Community Center.

# When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

Monday Corinth	7:15PM
Agape Bed and Breakfast, Rt. 9N, Corinth	
Hudson Falls	12:10 PM
Pizza Hut. Rt.4, Fort Edward Racing City Rotary	5:30 PM
Olde Gaslight Restaurant, 12 Ballston Avenue,	
Saratoga Springs Burnt Hills/Ballston Lake	6:15 PM
Bill Sewell Community Room, Town of Ballston Town Hall	
Lake George Holiday Inn Rt. 2223 State Rt. 9	6:15 PM
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Tuesday Northern Lake George	7:30 AM
Watson Arts Center, Silver Bay Wilton	7:30 AM
Friendly's Restaurant, Route 50, Wilton	
<b>Latham</b> Century House, Latham	12:00 PM
Watervliet	12:10 PM
First Presbyterian Church, 819 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Watervliet	
Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> weeks only) <b>Ballston Spa</b>	12:15 PM
Manna's Restaurant, 17 Low St, Ballston Spa	
Glove Cities Holiday Inn, Rt. 30A, Johnstown	12:15 PM
Menands The Corner Well Restaurant,	12:15 PM
698 North Pearl St. Scotia	6:00 PM
Turf Tavern, 40 Mohawk Avenue	
Scotia South Glens Falls	5:45 PM
Humbuggs, Corner Bluebird Rd. and Rt. 32, South Glens Falls	
Chestertown O.P. Frederick's Restaurant,	6:15 PM
Rt. 8., Chestertown Lansingburgh	6:15 PM
Paradise Lounge, 630 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 117 <sup>Th</sup> Streets, Troy	J J
Northville	6:30 PM
(Call for locations and directions)	
<b>Schoharie</b> Parrot House - Rt. 30	6:30 PM
Main St. Schoharie	

Wednesday		
Niskayuna Route 7 Diner, 1090 Troy- Schenectady Road	7:15 AM	
Delmar	7:30 AM	
Normanside Country Club, 150 Salisbury Rd., Delmar <b>Mohawk Valley</b> Senior Center, 204 Canal St., Fort Plain	7:30 AM	
Schenectady East	7:30 AM	
Old Country Buffet, Crosstown Plaza, Rt. 7, Schenectady Turning Point	7:30 AM	
General Schuyler Pantry		
166 Broad St., Schuylerville <b>Champlain Canal</b> Community Room, Mid-Rise Ser Apts, 180 N. Main Street	8:00 PM nior	
Mechanicville  Albany	12:15 PM	
Wolferts Roost Country Club, 1230 Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany		
Amsterdam Raindancer Steak Parlor, Rt. 30N, Amstgerdam	12:15 PM	
Cohoes	12:15 PM	
Century House, Rt. 9, Latham Colonie-Guilderland	12:15 PM	
Western Turnpike Golf Course		
Rt. 20, Guilderland Saratoga Springs	12:15 PM	
Longfellows Restaurant, Rt. 9P Cobleskill	6:10 PM	
Best Western Inn of Cobleskill Rt. 7, Main Street, Cobleskill.		
Granville	6:15 PM	
AJ's Restaruent, Quaker Street, Granville		

Thursday	
Malta Sunrise Malta Diner Rts. 9 & 67, Malta	7:15 AM
(Exit 12 off I87)  Rotterdam Sunrise  McLanes Restaurant, 2717	7:15 AM
Broadway, Rotterdam Shenendehowa Coburg Village Retirement Facility, Grooms Rd.,	7:15 AM
Clifton Park North Creek Marsha's Restaurant, Main St.,	7:30 AM
North Creek Schenectady Stockade Inn, 1 North Church St	12:00 PM
Schenectady Twin Bridges Salty's, Northway Exit 8A, East of Rt. 9, Halfmoon	12:00 PM
Glens Falls Queensbury Hotel, 88 Ridge Street, glens Falls	12:10 PM
Troy The Red Front Restaurant, 71 Division Street, Troy	12:15 PM
Middleburgh Middleburgh United Methodist Church, Rt. 145 Middleburgh	6:05 PM
Main St. & Bush Rd.)  Salem  Bunker Hill B&B on Bunker Hill R	<b>6:15 PM</b> Rd.
Salem (5.5 mi. NW of Salem)  Southern Rensselaer  Holiday Inn Express, US 4	6:15 PM
East Greenbush (Exit 9 off I 90) <b>Broadalbin</b> The White Holland House, 1520  Ste Highway 29, Gloverville	6:30 PM
Fort Ann  Mountain View Java, Rt 4, Fort Ann	6:30 PM
Sharon Springs Pit Stop BBQ, Rts. 10 & 20, Sharon Springs	6:30 PM
Friday Glenville	7:15 AM
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