



Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

May 6, 2009

Invocation: Keith Hornbrook

Song: Chuck Ries - When You're Smiling In honor of Bob Van Alstine, because he was always smiling!

Anniversaries: Bill Hull

Birthdays: Mike Cooley

Visiting Rotarians: Barbara Pailley, Jack Faddegon

Guests: Kelsey Claflin, Mary Kellogg and Becky Leach.

Big Bucks

Mystery Raffle: Bev Signoracci

Powerball: Marshall Barrett tried for the prize but was not successful.

Sawbuck: Bob Van Alstine

Rotarians Present: Barrett, Brooks, Demers, Farrell, Hornbrook, Libby, McDonald, O' Shea, Ries, Signoracci, and Van Alstine

Good News/Bad News: The following members paid happy/ sad dollars:

Bev Signoracci because she went to Florida; Mike Brooks thanking Harry McDonald and Mike Cooley for handling the raffle tickets at the Spaghetti Dinner - this year the count was right; Harry McDonald because over the years he purchased a dozen Chryslers from Bill Hull; Bob Libby because the Red Sox beat the Yankees 5 to 0, his dad in doing well in rehab, missed meetings, and Federal Stimulus money will help the 2009/10 school budget; and Barbara Pailley for being back and because her husband is recovering from cancer.

Rotary Basics: Four Avenues of Service:

Club Service

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs. Learn about effective club service in [Membership](#) and [Training](#).

Vocational Service

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process. [Learn more.](#)

Community Service

Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

[Learn more about community service](#) and [assessing your community](#).

International Service

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.

Learn more about [participating in World Community Service](#).

Club Business:

Colin made the following announcements:

- The club will host a Rotary-Ok! before the end of June. He will let members know the date.
- Thank you to all those who worked at the Annual Spaghetti Dinner. We made \$939.35 for the club. Marshall Barrett also expressed thanks to Keith Hornbrook for use of the Senior Center.
- Walter is making progress and Jake will be back.
- The installation will be a lunch on June 24th, 2009. It will be held in a tent (weather permitting) on the Century House grounds.
- Bob Van Alstine thanked the club membership for the support and kindness they demonstrated on the passing of his father, Robert T. Van Alstine.

Program:

Jack Faddegon made an announcement regarding Shelter Box; and Rebecca Leach, Mary Kellogg and Kelsey Claflin spoke about the Cohoes High School Service Club.

Bob Libby responded on behalf of the club.

Rotary Club Officers

Colin Demers - President

Marshall Barrett - Vice President/Program Chair

Robert W. Van Alstine - Secretary/
Editor Club Newsletter

Michael Brooks - Treasurer

Beverly Signoracci - Sergeant At Arms

Mike Popolizio - District Governor

Cohoes Rotary Web Site - www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org

Next Week's Program:

Bob Libby - Cohoes City School District 2009/10 budget.



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Attachment to May 6, 2009 Newsletter

Shelter Box

Jack Faddegon from the Latham Rotary Club made a brief presentation about [Shelter Box](#). Shelter Box was created in 1999 by Tom Henderson, a Rotarian from England. The idea is that 120 pound boxes would be pre-packed and available to be shipped anywhere in the world within 48 hours when disaster strikes to help victims begin the rebuilding process. Shelter Box is in several counties including England, Ireland, Germany, France and the United States. Specially trained shelter teams bring the boxes where they are needed.



In the past two years, Capital Region Rotary (District 7190) has raised money for, and purchased 30 boxes. The Menands and Latham Rotary Clubs are looking for the Cohoes Rotary Club to join them to purchase one more shelter box. Our club agreed, and a check for \$300.00 was presented to Jack Faddegon toward this effort.

Cohoes High School Community Service Club

Rebecca Leach, Adviser to the Cohoes High School [Community Service Club](#) talked about [Global Youth Service Day](#). Two years ago, then Superintendent Chuck Dedrick sent Becky to training about Global Youth Service Day and how to integrate it into our community. Becky explained that the Senior Class at the high school was the way to do it.



The first year she contacted many organizations in Cohoes including: the Eddy, the Public Schools, etc asking what services students in the senior class could do for them. They provided clean up services for several organizations.

This year, they added the eighth grade class to work with the senior class. They also reached out to several businesses in Cohoes. Volunteers from both classes attended a barbeque that focused on team building activities. Local businesses donated food and supplies for the barbeque.

Becky concluded by showing a video of the students [cleaning up at various sites](#) including Lansing and West Parks, yards and sidewalks. They also painted park benches, and helped to [plant trees](#).

Mary Kellogg and Kelsey Claflin, both seniors at Cohoes High School, explained many of the services that the Community Service Club provides.

They provide a tour of the high school to incoming freshmen and visit freshmen homerooms so that freshmen can ask them questions. They also sponsored a Juvenile Diabetes Sidewalk Art Contest to help increase awareness of this disease.

The Community Service Club sponsored a [Thanksgiving Food Drive](#) in which they collected enough food to fill 37 boxes with all of the fixings for Thanksgiving for Cohoes families. They also raised \$2,700 from an Election Day Raffle and purchased things for needy families in Cohoes.

In addition, they also participated in Holiday Lights in the Park in Washington Park in Albany, and an Easter egg hunt.

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	6:15 PM
Holiday Inn Rt. 2223 State Rt. 9	
Tuesday	
Northern Lake George	7:30 AM
Watson Arts Center, Silver Bay	
Wilton	7:30 AM
Friendly's Restaurant, Route 50, Wilton	
Latham	12:00 PM
Century House, Latham	
Watervliet	12:10 PM
First Presbyterian Church, 819 23 rd Street, Watervliet Meets 2 nd and 4 th weeks only)	
Ballston Spa	12:15 PM
Manna's Restaurant, 17 Low St, Ballston Spa	
Glove Cities	12:15 PM
Holiday Inn, Rt. 30A, Johnstown	
Menands	12:15 PM
The Corner Well Restaurant, 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	6:15 PM
O.P. Frederick's Restaurant, Rt. 8., Chestertown	
Lansingburgh	6:15 PM
Paradise Lounge, 630 2 nd and 117 th Streets, Troy	
Northville	6:30 PM
(Call for locations and directions)	
Schoharie	6:30 PM
Parrot House - Rt. 30 Main St. Schoharie	

Wednesday	
Niskayuna	7:15 AM
Route 7 Diner, 1090 Troy-Schenectady Road	
Delmar	7:30 AM
Normanside Country Club, 150 Salisbury Rd., Delmar	
Mohawk Valley	7:30 AM
Senior Center, 204 Canal St., Fort Plain	
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	
Champlain Canal	8:00 PM
Community Room, Mid-Rise Senior Apts, 180 N. Main Street Mechanicville	
Albany	12:15 PM
Wolferts Roost Country Club, 1230 Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany	
Amsterdam	12:15 PM
Raindancer Steak Parlor, Rt. 30N, Amstgerdam	
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	7:15 AM
Malta Diner Rts. 9 & 67, Malta (Exit 12 off I87)	
Rotterdam Sunrise	7:15 AM
McLanes Restaurant, 2717 Broadway, Rotterdam	
Shenendehowa	7:15 AM
Coburg Village Retirement Facility, Grooms Rd., Clifton Park	
North Creek	7:30 AM
Marsha's Restaurant, Main St., North Creek	
Schenectady	12:00 PM
Stockade Inn, 1 North Church St., Schenectady	
Twin Bridges	12:00 PM
Salty's, Northway Exit 8A, East of Rt. 9, Halfmoon	
Glens Falls	12:10 PM
Queensbury Hotel, 88 Ridge Street, glens Falls	
Troy	12:15 PM
The Red Front Restaurant, 71 Division Street, Troy	
Middleburgh	6:05 PM
Middleburgh United Methodist Church, Rt. 145 Middleburgh Main St. & Bush Rd.)	
Salem	6:15 PM
Bunker Hill B&B on Bunker Hill Rd. Salem (5.5 mi. NW of Salem)	
Southern Rensselaer	6:15 PM
Holiday Inn Express,US 4 East Greenbush (Exit 9 off I 90)	
Broadalbin	6:30 PM
The White Holland House, 1520 Ste Highway 29, Gloversville	
Fort Ann	6:30 PM
Mountain View Java, Rt 4, Fort Ann	
Sharon Springs	6:30 PM
Pit Stop BBQ, Rts. 10 & 20, Sharon Springs	
Friday	
Glenville	7:15 AM
Turf Tavern, Rt. 50, Scotia	

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