

# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

November 10, 2010

**Invocation:** Bob Van Alstine

**Song:** Chuck Ries - When Johnny Comes  
Marching Home Again

**Anniversaries:** none

**Birthdays:** Chuck Ries

**Visiting Rotarians:**

Dan Stec, District Governor

Anne Cargile, Rotary Foundation Chair

Ellen Schaefer, Chair Group Study Exchange.

**Guests:** Chris Nolin, and Christina Williams

## Big Bucks

**Mystery Raffle:** Peggy O' Shea

**Powerball:** Linda Tremblay was not successful.

**Rotarians Present:**

Alvarez-Williams, Barrett, Brooks, Demers, Doemel,  
Farrell, Hornbrook, McDonald, Mitola, O' Shea,  
Pearson, Ries, Rivera, Signoracci, E. Tremblay  
L. Tremblay and Van Alstine.

**Good News/Bad News:**

The following members paid happy/ sad dollars:

Chuck Ries because he talked to Colonel Jake Robert. He was in good spirits and wants to return to Rotary meetings when he is up to it. Jake encourages members to give him a call. Linda Tremblay because her daughter and grandson are visiting; Lydia Pearson because she is glad to be here, and for missed meetings; Colin Demers for Veterans Day, because the Century House will be serving meals at the Salvation Army in Albany on December 13, 2010, and the Salvation Army will have a Bell Ringing Party on December 6, 2010 at the Century House; Ellen Schaefer because she is happy to see Chris Nolin,

and Christina Williams; Dave Mitola because he was not wearing his Rotary pin; Ed Tremblay for events on November 14, and December 15, 2010, see [Events/ Information](#) below; Marshall Barrett because District Governor Dan Stec is here; Chuck Ries because he is not wearing his Rotary badge; and Anne Cargile because she loves coming to our club.

**Events/ Information:**

- November 14, 2010 - [Annual Lebanese Festival](#).
- November 14, 2010 - [Showcase Properties in Cohoes](#), noon to 3:00 pm
- December 8, 2010 - "[A Christmas Carol](#)" Foundation Event, Cohoes Music Hall 6 to 11PM.
- December 10, 2010 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Price Chopper in Latham.
- December 15, 2010 - Rotary Club of Cohoes Christmas Party, 6:00 pm at the Century House.

**Club Business:**

- 2010 Christmas Ornaments have arrived. You can purchase them by contacting Linda Tremblay or at Marra's Pharmacy in Cohoes.
- A reminder for the district 7190 Christmas Show on December 8<sup>th</sup>, see events/ information above.
- We will conclude each weekly meeting with recitation of [The 4 Way Test](#).

**Program:**

Chris Nolin and Christina Williams, 2010 GSE Team members, see attached.

**The 4-Way Test:**

The 4-Way Test "Of the things we think, say or do":

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

From [ABC's of Rotary](#)

## Rotary Club Officers

**Keith Hornbrook** - President

**Marshall Barrett** - Past President

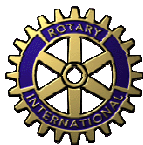
**Robert W. Van Alstine** - Secretary/  
Editor Club Newsletter

**Michael Brooks** - Treasurer

**Amy Musiker** - Sergeant At Arms

**Dan Stec** - District Governor

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## Attachment to November 10, 2010 Newsletter

[Chris Nolin](#), and [Christina Williams](#), 2010 District 7190 GSE team members sponsored by our club, spoke to us regarding the May 2010 trip they took to southern France.



**Marshall Barrett, Chris Nolin, and Christina Williams**

The District 7190 2010 Group Study Exchange (GSE) went to southern France in May 2010. Team members included: David Roberts (team leader), Chris Nolin, Kelvin Sapp, Teresa-Kern-Mocohn, and Christina Williams.

Chris Nolin is Director of Collaborative and Legislative Affairs for the [Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities](#). Christina Williams is Scenic Charge Artist and set Designer at the [Cohoes Music Hall](#). Christine designed sets for many productions including; [Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat](#), [The Wizard of Oz](#), and [Beauty and the Beast](#).

Chris explained that the GSE team visited a number of universities in France. Most of them are funded by the government. However there is a trend toward privatization. At this time however, there is a limited connection between research they are conducting and private businesses.

They toured back stage at the [Opera de Toulon](#), where they saw five levels of set design studios. They also visited the [Opera de Nice](#), and the [Mary Magdalene Monastery](#). The monastery has been occupied since 415.

Chris and Christine both echoed that they experienced the rich French history and geography. For example, a house they visited had a wall that dated from Roman times. This was an inspiration!

Christina said that French art is everywhere. It is colorful and incredibly inspirational. It is very vibrant, and full of color. An artist that they visited at said: ***'May your heart always be full of color and dreams?'*** The French people wanted them to absorb their culture.

They also attended a fund raising event for SAMU (*service d'aide médicale urgente*) Sociale in Toulon. SAMU also delivers approximately 130 meals each day and every day. Over 700

people attended the event and the club expected to take in approximately 10,000 Euros for SAMU Sociale.

Chris concluded by explaining that Rotarians in France made them feel as though they were members of their family. Individuals from across the world greeted them with open arms because they were a part of Rotary. The sense of community around Rotary and the friendships made a lasting impression on both of them.

## When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

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

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

Thursday	
<b>Malta Sunrise</b>	<b>7:15 AM</b>
Malta Diner Rts. 9 & 67, Malta (Exit 12 off I87)	
<b>Rotterdam Sunrise</b>	<b>7:15 AM</b>
McLanes Restaurant, 2717 Broadway, Rotterdam	
<b>Shenendehowa</b>	<b>7:15 AM</b>
Coburg Village Retirement Facility, Grooms Rd., Clifton Park	
<b>North Creek</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>
Marsha's Restaurant, Main St., North Creek	
<b>Schenectady</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
Stockade Inn, 1 North Church St., Schenectady	
<b>Twin Bridges</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
Salty's, Northway Exit 8A, East of Rt. 9, Halfmoon	
<b>Glens Falls</b>	<b>12:10 PM</b>
Queensbury Hotel, 88 Ridge Street, glens Falls	
<b>Troy</b>	<b>12:15 PM</b>
The Red Front Restaurant, 71 Division Street, Troy	
<b>Middleburgh</b>	<b>6:05 PM</b>
Middleburgh United Methodist Church, Rt. 145 Middleburgh Main St. & Bush Rd.)	
<b>Salem</b>	<b>6:15 PM</b>
Bunker Hill B&B on Bunker Hill Rd. Salem (5.5 mi. NW of Salem)	
<b>Southern Rensselaer</b>	<b>6:15 PM</b>
Holiday Inn Express,US 4 East Greenbush (Exit 9 off I 90)	
<b>Broadalbin</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
The White Holland House, 1520 Ste Highway 29, Gloversville	
<b>Fort Ann</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
Mountain View Java, Rt 4, Fort Ann	
<b>Sharon Springs</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
Pit Stop BBQ, Rts. 10 & 20, Sharon Springs	
Friday	
<b>Glenville</b>	<b>7:15 AM</b>
Turf Tavern, Rt. 50, Scotia	

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