



# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

January 13, 2010

**Invocation:** Bob Van Alstine

**Song:** Amy Musiker - Singin' In The Rain

**Anniversaries:** none

**Birthdays:** Amy Musiker

**Visiting Rotarians:** none

**Guests:** Judy DeFrusco, Elaine Flatow, Becky Leach and Mike Schnitzler

## Big Bucks

**Mystery Raffle:** Jack Farrell

**Powerball:** Bob Van Alstine was not successful.

**Lottery:**

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

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

Harry McDonald for missed meetings, and because there was only one male teacher in Cohoes High School from 1932 to 1935; Bob Van Alstine because we received applications for four new members; Colin Demers because the Century House has served over 51,500 meals to the needy, and because they will be serving meals at the Schenectady City Mission on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>; Chuck Ries because Siena was victorious over both Niagara and Canisius; Amy Musiker for missed meeting and her birthday; Bob Libby for missed meetings, and the opportunity to be here with Peggy and staff.

**Events/ Information:**

- The January 2010 [Toolbox](#) is available.

- District 7190 is sponsoring an [Albany River Rats](#) hockey game on January 15, 2009 for the benefit of the Rotary Foundation. The game begins at 7:00 pm at the Times Union Center in Albany.
- Tickets are \$16.00 and may be purchased from Richard Hodge by January 5, 2010.
- 8<sup>th</sup> [Annual Winter Carnival](#) will be held on January 30, 2010 at the Van Schaick Island Pond in Cohoes from noon to 4:00 pm.
- District 7190 will hold a New Member Orientation Program at the Holiday Inn Express in Clifton Park on Monday, January 25, 2010. It begins at 7:30 pm.
- [The Hudson River Community Credit Union](#) is hosting a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Reception for their new offices at 35 Niver Street in Cohoes. It will be held at the new branch office from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Wednesday, February 3, 2010.
- District 7190 [Conference and Assembly Day](#) will be held on May 1, 2010 at the Century House.
- The [RI Convention](#) will be held in Montreal from June 20 to 23, 2010.

## Club Business:

- **Lottery:**  
Lottery tickets are \$5.00 each.
- **Century House Dinner for Two Raffle:**  
Next week we should have tickets for the Century House Dinner for Two Raffle. Raffle tickets are \$10.00 each. There will be one drawing and the winner will receive dinner for two each month for a year at the Century House. Keith Hornbrook mailed them to all club members.
- **Combined Meetings With the Latham Club:**  
The first combined meeting with the Latham Rotary Club will be held on Wednesday January 20, 2010 at 12:15 pm at the Century House. All members are encouraged to attend this historic event.
- Mike Brooks from the Community Service Committee led a session in which club members and staff from the Cohoes City School District presented ideas for club service projects, see attached.

## Rotary Club Officers

**Marshall Barrett** - President

**Keith Hornbrook** - President Elect

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

**Michael Brooks** - Treasurer

**Amy Musiker** - Sergeant At Arms

**John C. Eaton** - District Governor

**Cohoes Rotary Web Site** - [www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org](http://www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org)

**Next Weeks Program:** First Combined Meeting with the Latham Club

Rotary Community Service Brainstorm  
1/13/10

- ❖ Remember through all service events to keep the Rotary name out there through signs, wearing of pins, potentially buying shirts.
  
- ❖ Work with students on projects for Global Youth Service Day held in May. Opportunities exist to chaperone students and/or work side by side with them to model. Will be looking for businesses that would like assistance for the day – cleaning, etc. Julie DeFruscio and Peg O’Shea will attend organizational meeting.
  
- ❖ Look for ongoing activities within the community to support (i.e. food drives, “Soup-er bowl”)
  
- ❖ See if Veterans’ groups (i.e. Cohoes Memorial, Cohoes Remembers, etc.) need assistance with activities
  
- ❖ See if there are smaller projects in which Rotary can provide assistance at Cohoes Community Center, Senior Center, Cohoes Music Hall, etc. .
  
- ❖ Holiday Help
  
- ❖ Throughout the year inform the schools of projects so students can sign up (provide opportunities for community service). This is a requirement for students from Participation in Government - a 12<sup>th</sup> grade class.
  
- ❖ Colin to talk to students at the high school regarding his work with the regional food bank.
  
- ❖ Adopt a family.
  
- ❖ Reach out to those affected by disasters such as the earthquake in Haiti, providing shelter boxes etc.
  
- ❖ Connect with churches and other community organizations to streamline services, see what others are doing.
  
- ❖ Coordinate with other service organizations in providing backpacks and School supplies. (Ogden Mills is currently providing school supplies K-12). Touch base with Jill Havens from Cohoes Middle School and Kevin Kolakowski From Cohoes High School on this.

- ❖ Mike Schnitzler's classes read "Three Cups of Tea" and "Horse Soldiers" – and collect \$1,000 in pennies for peace. Could use assistance in this.
- ❖ Ask student members from Student Government Day to speak at Rotary.
- ❖ Explore formation of a Rotoract club.

A special thank you to Mike Brooks for his excellent facilitation of this session!

## When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

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

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

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

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