



# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

October 12, 2011

**Song:** "Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue"

**Anniversaries:**

**Birthdays:**

**Visiting Rotarians:** Barbara Pailley, Clearwater Rotary Club, Past President, Cohoes Rotary Club

**Guests:** Sonny Daye, Perley Rousseau

**Powerball:** Marshall Barrett, Donated \$5 back to club

**Rotarians Present:**

Barrett, Demers, Musiker, Signoracci, McDonald, Brooks, Van Alstine, Ries, Robert, Mitola, Ed Tremblay

## Good News/Bad News:

The following members paid happy/ sad dollars:

**Ed Tremblay** was happy to announce Mike Brooks was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Care Award presented by the Counseling Care and Services, Inc. Congrats Mike!

Ed was also happy to announce that the Cohoes Senior Center reached it's fundraising goal of \$50,000! Ed had a sad dollar that Julie DeFruscio could not attend this week's meeting but happy that the Cohoes High School After Prom committee was hosting their spaghetti dinner. (details listed)

**Chuck Ries** was happy to announce that his close friends from Japan enjoyed their visit to the United States and are planning a trip back next year.

**Harry McDonald** was happy his nephew was with the U.S. State Department, organizing security at U.S. Embassies abroad, currently in Iraq.

**Colin Demers** was happy the Century House is hosting a 50's themed dinner and dancing event on Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>. Bring your dancing shoes!

**Bev Signoracci** was sad she was underdressed sitting next to Dave Mitola but happy her Daughter and son-in-law were going to the Giants-Bills game this Sunday.

**Mike Brooks** was sad that our guests, Sonny and Perley had to listen to our club's singing.

## Program:

Sonny Daye and Perley Rousseau

[Sonny and Perley musical duo](#)

[www.sonnyandperley.com](http://www.sonnyandperley.com)



## Events/ Information:

- The Rotary Leadership Institute is scheduled for October 22 at Siena College, e-mail has been sent.
- The Christmas ornaments are available. They depict the Van Schaick Mansion and cost \$15. Please contact Ed or Linda Tremblay to purchase.
- Please contact Dave Mitola for suggestions on community service projects that members of the club can participate in.
- Sonny and Perley will be performing at the Cohoes Library 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Autumn Affair, at the Cohoes Senior Center, Sunday Nov. 10 at 12PM.
- Century House 50's Music, Dancing and Dinner event, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Cohoes High School After Prom Spaghetti Dinner, Friday Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 4-7 PM. Food provided by Carabas Restaurant, meals \$8 for adults, \$5 for children under 11.
- The District Toolbox is available to view online and contains information about other clubs and their activities in our district.  
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/data/7190/html/140793/october2011tbfinal.pdf>
- Program scheduled for next week:  
Not determined
- We conclude each weekly meeting with recitation of The 4 Way Test, see below.

## 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

**Robert W. Van Alstine** - President elect

**David Mitola** - Secretary

**Michael Brooks** - Treasurer

**Marshall Barrett** - Sergeant At Arms

**Bill Nathan** - District Governor

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



# Cohoes Rotary Club Program 2011-2012



Sonny Daye  
Perley Rousseau

October 12, 2011

Sonny and Perley are professional musicians, they have performed live music for over 27 years. They also operate an entertainment agency. They play Jazz, Bossa Nova, American Songbook Standards, and International Cabaret. They perform at hundreds of libraries every year, they are performing at the Cohoes Public Library fundraiser next week.

Perley stated that she enjoyed Rotary traditions, such as, good news, bad news, and our singing. The fines process was explained to Sonny and Perley.

They began performing Brazilian music approximately 25 years ago. There is a small Brazilian community in the capital region, but they are very active and vivacious. The Brazilian community embraced Perley and tutored her in both the Brazilian culture and language, Portuguese. Perley and Sonny have performed in many Brazilian restaurants in the U.S. As a result of performing international music across the country, they were asked by multiple people if they had been involved with the Rotary Club. Perley began investigating the Rotary Club and found its tenants admirable.

Sonny and Perley have wanted to travel to Brazil for many years. Perley feels she is attached to the country of Brazil in more ways than just her music. She does not know what her mission will be in Brazil, but she believes they are supposed to be there. Not only do they have a deep interest in Brazilian music and culture, but they have also participated in World Vision, a charitable organization through which they have supported needy children in Brazil. They are currently supporting 2 children who live in Brazil. Perley felt the Rotary Club would be a good U.S. connection to have while traveling in Brazil.

In the U.S. in the 1960's, in addition to the British music invasion, there was a Bossa nova musical invasion. One particularly popular band was, Sergio Mendes and Brasil '66. Perley sang a Brazilian song in both Portuguese and English, the song was titled "The Girl from Ipanema" by Antonio Carlos Jobim.

A suggestion was made by Ed Tremblay that Sonny and Perley contact fellow Rotarian, Tony Rivera before traveling to Brazil. Tony's family is from Brazil and he lived in Brazil as part of the Rotary Group Study Exchange. Tony most likely has direct contacts with Rotary clubs in Brazil.

Amy Musiker's sister lives in Brazil. Her sister is former President of an American Society in Brazil.

Chuck Ries informed our speakers that he hosted a foreign exchange student, Alex, who was from Brazil.

## 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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