Rota-Briefs

Song: Chuck Ries, "Notre Dame Victory March"
"On Wisconsin!"

Anniversaries:
Birthdays:
Visiting Rotarians: Byron Moak – Lansingburgh
Tom Burdick - Delmar
Guests: Mike Weidrich
Powerball: John Farrell, 2 Clubs, kindly donated $5 consolation prize to the club.
Rotarians Present:
Barrett, Brooks, Hornbrook, Farrell, Doemel, McDonald, Van Alstine, Signoracci, Ries, Robert, Mitola, Ed Tremblay

Good News/Bad News:
The following members paid happy/ sad dollars:
Ed Tremblay was happy to announce the Kiwanis Club Fall Festival at Craner Park.
Bob Van Alstine was happy that he and his wife had a good trip to Canada and he would like to speak about the trip to club at a future meeting.
Byron Moak had a sad dollar announcing the passing of Will Duran, a Lansingburgh Rotarian.
Harry McDonald was happy the Buffalo Bills won their opening game.
Mike Brooks was happy that Syracuse was 2-0
Chuck Ries was happy for Bob's family lineage back to the Revolutionary War era since the DAR spoke at last weeks meeting.
Marshall had a sad dollar that he missed John D's retirement party.
John D. thanked everyone for attending his party.
Keith was happy that there was a contract in place for the Senior Center roof to be fixed.

Events/ Information:
- We are updating the membership directory, please contact Dave Mitola with any changes since last year.
- The ornaments of Van Schaik Mansion for the fundraising sale have been ordered.
- The Rotary Leadership Institute is scheduled for October 22 at Siena College.
- Latham Rotary has extended Bulbs for Boxes.
- Money Bear drawing Sep. 21st.
- 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/137712//september2011tbfinal.pdf
- No program scheduled for the upcoming week.

Program:
Tom Burdick, President, Gift of Life

- 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'S WHEEL EMBLEM

A wheel has been the symbol of Rotary since our earliest days. The first design was made by Chicago Rotarian Montague Bear, an engraver who drew a simple wagon wheel, with a few lines to show dust and motion. The wheel was said to illustrate "Civilization and Movement."

Most of the early clubs had some form of wagon wheel on their publications and letterheads. Finally, in 1922, it was decided that all Rotary clubs should adopt a single design as the exclusive emblem of Rotarians. Thus, in 1923, the present gear wheel, with 24 cogs and six spokes was adopted by the "Rotary International Association."

A group of engineers advised that the geared wheel was mechanically unsound and would not work without a "keyway" in the center of the gear to attach it to a power shaft. So, in 1923 the keyway was added and the design which we now know was formally adopted as the official Rotary International emblem.

Rotary Club Officers
Keith Hornbrook - President
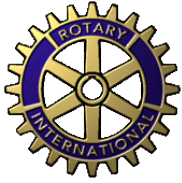**Robert W. Van Alstine –** President elect
David Mitola - Secretary
Michael Brooks - Treasurer
Marshall Barrett - Sergeant At Arms
Bill Nathan - District Governor
Cohoes Rotary Web Site - www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org

Cohoes Rotary Club Program 2011-2012

Tom Burdick   September 14, 2011
President, Gift of Life, Albany

The Gift of Life (GOL) program was started in 1975 by a Rotarian. There are currently 64 countries with GOL programs. The program arranges for children suffering from congenital heart defects to receive life saving surgeries. The GOL Albany funds 4-5 operations per year at Albany Med. Each operation costs $10,000, this expense comes solely from the operating room rental from Albany Med. In comparison, other hospitals charge $5,000 room rental rate for charitable organizations such as, GOL. All other expenses are donated such as, doctors and staff time, traveling costs, and family housing.

A movie was played summarizing the GOL programs. The sole mission of the GOL program is to save a life of a child. In 2008, the 10,000[th] child was treated in GOL program.

The program not only allows children who would otherwise die from their heart condition a second chance at life, but it also builds goodwill toward the United States worldwide. The children treated and their families act as ambassadors for the US.

The Albany GOL program sent a team of US doctors and support staff to the Dominican Republic to perform 8-10 cardiac surgeries and 6 other operations in one week. All of the participants were from Albany Med, using their personal vacation time. The total cost of the trip was $30,000.

Fundraising is the largest challenge for every GOL program. Money is the most useful contribution each Rotary club can provide. Rotary clubs can provide services other than money by sponsoring a child during their visit to Albany Med. Sponsoring a child includes, visitation time while in the hospital, providing transportation, being the child's advocate at the hospital and acting as a liaison between the child and the hospital staff. There are 22 board members on the GOL Albany program and it is logistically challenging for many of them to be at Albany Med to provide these needed services.

Currently, there is a 4 year old girl from Jamaica being treated at Albany Med. She has had some post surgical complications and is suffering from a collapsed lung.

Other groups that the GOL Albany program associates with included, GOL International and Samaritans Purse, who provide the airfare and a liaison for the patient and their family.d

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 23rd Street, Watervliet Meets 2nd and 4th 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 2nd 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, Gloverville	
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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