



# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

October 21, 2015

**Invocation:** Jack Madden

**Song:** "My Happiness," Chuck Ries

**Birthday:**

**Anniversary:**

**Visiting Rotarians:** Paul Perrault, Ballston Spa Rotary

**Guests:**

**Door Prize:** Marshall Barrett

**Powerball:** Marshall Barrett tried for \$510 but was unsuccessful.

**Rotarians Present:**

Barrett, Brooks, Demers, Heslin, Hovey, Madden, J., Mitola, Ries, Signoracci, Van Alstine

**Good News/Bad News:**

**Mike Brooks** thanked Curtis Hovey for bringing him to the meeting and told his usual outstanding jokes.

**Jack Madden** was very pleased at the turnout at Spindles on Remsen for the fundraiser for the Cohoes Veterans Memorial Committee. He also congratulated Dave Mitola for being honored by Counseling Care and Services with the Distinguished Service Care Award 2015 for his many accomplishments of service and care to the greater Cohoes community.

**Bob Van Alstine** congratulated Dave Mitola.

**Dave Mitola** paid a sad dollar for the Giants.

**Colin Demers** congratulated Dave Mitola. He was very happy with the St. Augustine fundraising dinner held at the Century House.

**Marshall Barrett** congratulated Dave Mitola.

**Chuck Ries** congratulated Dave Mitola.

**Curtis Hovey** congratulated Dave Mitola. He was very happy with the Giffy's Barbecue fundraiser at the Cohoes Community Center.

**Stephanie Heslin** is preparing to sky dive in November.

**Club Business:**

Curtis Hovey reminded the club about the District wide new member mixer October 27 at Western Turnpike Golf Club. The Apple Pie sale will be held October 24 at the Harvest Fest on Remsen Street from 2-6 PM. Pies can be purchased frozen. Sales are doing ok. Volunteers are needed for upcoming events.

**Program:** Paul Perrault, Historian of the Town of Malta and a Ballston Spa Rotarian, spoke about the founding of Saratoga Battlefield National Park. In 1924 Rotary took an active leadership role to save the land and work with NYS to create an historic preserve. Through the leadership of men like George Slingerlands, first Mechanicville Rotary Club president and Adolph Ochs, club member and publisher of the New York Times and others dedicated to preserving the site of the Battles of Saratoga, the Battlefield was made part of the National Park System in 1938 when authorized by the United States Congress. See more at:

<http://www.mechanicvillerotary.org/Stories/the-old-days-the-historic-story-of-rotary-and-the-saratoga-battlefield#sthash.q09vaeBl.dpuf>.

**Response:** Curtis Hovey responded on behalf of the club.



*Paul Perrault and Curtis Hovey*

**Upcoming Programs:**

**10/28/15-**Susan A. Barry, Birthright of Ballston Spa-What birthright does?

**11/4/15-**Club Assembly

**11/11/15-**Crystal Bariteau, Human Resources Director, City of Cohoes-Cohoes Youth Bureau Programs

**11/18/15-**Keith Hornbrook, Cohoes Senior Center-Merger of Senior Center Programs

**11/25/15-**Deacon Charles Valenti, Transfiguration Parish-Thanksgiving Message

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### Rotary Club Officers

**Curtis Hovey** - President  
**Curtis Hovey** – President Elect  
**Linda Tremblay** - Secretary  
**Michael Brooks** - Treasurer  
**Marshall Barrett** – Sergeant At Arms  
**Milan Jackson** - District Governor

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[www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org](http://www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org)

We conclude the meeting with recitation of The 4 Way Test led by Curtis Hovey.

### The 4-Way Test

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

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](#)

### Century House Menu for Cohoes Rotary

#### First Course

Carrot Ginger Soup

#### Entrée

BBQ Chicken  
With Mixed Vegetables

#### Dessert

Cheesecake