



# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

November 25, 2015

**Invocation:** Deacon Charles Valenti  
**Song:** "We Gather Together" Chuck Ries  
**Birthday:**  
**Anniversary:**  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Byron Moak, Lansingburgh Club  
**Guests:** Charles Valenti, Transfiguration Parish  
**Door Prize:** Mike Brooks  
**Powerball:** Dave Mitola tried for \$22 but was unsuccessful.

**Rotarians Present:**

Barrett, Brooks, Farrell, Hovey, Mitola, Ries, Signoracci, Tremblay, E., Van Alstine

**Good News/Bad News:**

**Mike Brooks** was happy that things are moving forward with the closing on his house. He was happy to have his son Mike and his family from Buffalo visiting for Thanksgiving.

**Bev Signoracci** paid for missed meetings.

**Bob Van Alstine** was happy to be going to Falls Church to visit his son and his family.

**Dave Mitola** was happy to be having family come to visit for Thanksgiving. He was also happy that his wife ran the Philadelphia Marathon.

**Chuck Ries** was happy that last night Siena beat Bucknell in overtime. He was happy that his son-in-law ran in the New York City Marathon.

**Marshall Barrett** was sad to have been stuck in traffic.

**Curtis Hovey** was happy to be going to visit his parents for Thanksgiving.

**Club Business:**

The club Christmas party will be held Wednesday, December 9 at Van Schaick Country Club. Cost will be \$20 for Rotarians, \$50 for guests. A head count is necessary because we must guarantee 20 people. Chris Madden would like all donations to the Holiday Hope program in by the first week in December. Gifts or cash are welcome. If someone would like to adopt a particular family they can do so through the Community Center. Ornaments are in and available for sale. The club will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army on December 18 at the Latham Price Chopper.

**Program:** Deacon Charles Valenti gave a very inspiring Thanksgiving message.  
**Response:** Curtis Hovey responded on behalf of the club.



*Curtis Hovey and Charles Valenti*

**Upcoming Events**

**12/9/15-Rotary Christmas Party, Van Schaick Country Club-Cocktails 6PM, Dinner 7PM**

**12/18/15-Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Latham Price Chopper (Market Bistro)**

**Century House Menu for Cohoes Rotary**

**First Course**

White Bean and Ham Soup

**Entrée**

Grilled 6 oz. Sirloin, Mushrooms, Cream Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, and Green Beans

**Dessert**

Angel Food Cake with Berry Compote

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<http://www.rotary7190.org/>, click on When/Where Clubs Meet in the upper left corner of the home page.

### 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

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

We conclude the meeting with recitation of The 4 Way Test.

### 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](#)

### Song: We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing,  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known,  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing,  
Sing praises to His name: He forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine,  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning,  
Thou, Lord, wast as our side, All glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be,  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation,  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!