

Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

December 16, 2015

Invocation: Jack Madden

Song: "Frosty the Snowman" Chuck Ries

Birthday: Chris Madden **Anniversary**: Bob Van Alstine

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests:

Door Prize: Linda Tremblay

Powerball: Stephanie Heslin tried for \$47 but was

unsuccessful.

Rotarians Present:

Barrett, Brooks, Farrell, Heslin, Hovey, Madden, C., Madden, J., Mitola, Ries, Signoracci, Tremblay, E., Tremblay, L., Van Alstine

Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks wished everyone a Merry Christmas. He is moving on December 22 and the closing on his house is December 28. He told his usual jokes. Bev Signoracci was sad to have missed the Rotary Christmas Party. She wanted the club to know that our ornaments are spreading good will. She sent one to Rochelle Gleason who was able to enjoy it before she passed away.

Chris Madden enjoys being a Rotarian. She was happy that Pat Shannon gave her a bottle of Maker's Mark for her birthday.

Linda Tremblay is happy that Ed Tremblay's retirement date is very close.

Jack Madden was happy to announce that he is still on the Cohoes Civil Service Board. He did not sign the letter of resignation that the Mayor Elect requested. According to Civil Service rules the incoming Mayor cannot do that. Jack did a good deed. In speaking with the reporter from the Times Union he only said that he understands that this is normal procedure to ask for resignations. Jack was very sad that Keith Hornbrook still has to appear in court tomorrow. Jack is planning to attend in support of Keith. He encouraged others to do so as well. Ed Tremblay noted Keith has the support of both the Cohoes and Albany Senior Center Boards. The Senior Center has a lease with the City of Cohoes. In that lease Keith had the right to remove political signs from the property.

Dave Mitola was sad that he had to leave early to attend a Town of Colonie Planning Board meeting. Dave took his children to Quick Response to see the holiday displays and the lines were enormous.

Marshall Barrett's granddaughter is on the swim team. She is doing a fundraiser. Marshall pledged \$2 per lap that she swims within one hour, or \$100. She swam 92 laps and raised over \$800.

Chuck Ries had the opportunity to test out his legs. He drove to Buffalo and back to visit his 90 year old aunt and was on his feet for the duration of the trip. He did well. There is no snow in Buffalo either.

Club Business:

The club will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army on December 18 at the Latham Price Chopper.

Program: Curtis Hovey, Executive Director of the Cohoes Community Center, gave an update on the growth of the Community Center Services and programs.

Response: Marshall Barrett responded on behalf of the club.



Curtis Hovey and Marshall Barrett

Upcoming Meetings and Events

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

12/23/15-Bob Van Alstine, Author of <u>The Dorr Family in</u> the Shaping of America

12/30/15-Matt Graff, Cohoes Public Library

When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

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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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We conclude the meeting with recitation of <u>The 4 Way Test</u> led by Ed Tremblay.

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: Frosty the Snowman

Frosty the Snowman was a jolly, happy soul, With a corn cob pipe and a button nose and two eyes made out of coal.

Frosty the Snowman is a fairytale they say, He was made of snow, but the children know how he came to life one day.

There must have been some magic in that old silk hat they found,

For when they placed it on his head, he began to dance around!

Oh, Frosty the Snowman, was alive as he could be; and the children say he could laugh and play just the same as you and me.

Thumpety, thump, thump, thump, thump, thump, look at Frosty go.

Thumpety, thump, thump, thump thump, thump over the hills of snow.

Century House Menu for Cohoes Rotary

First Course

Chicken Vegetable Soup

Entrée

6 oz. Filet with Mashed Potato and Vegetable

Dessert

Chocolate Molten Lava Cake