



# Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

August 5, 2015

**Invocation:** Linda Tremblay

**Song:**

**Birthday:** Marshall Barrett

**Anniversary:** Curtis Hovey

**Visiting Rotarians:**

**Guests:**

**Door Prize:** Jack Madden

**Powerball:** Linda Tremblay tried for \$320 but was unsuccessful.

**Rotarians Present:**

Brooks, Demers, Madden, C., Madden, J., Mitola, Tremblay, E., Tremblay, L., Van Alstine

**Good News/Bad News:**

**Mike Brooks** thanked Linda Tremblay for bringing him to the meeting. He offered his sympathy to Dave Mitola's wife. They just celebrated their 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Bob Van Alstine** was happy that the Yankees are the second highest team in baseball at the moment. He was happy that he and Karen toured the Van Alstine homestead in Canajoharie. Bob will be giving a presentation on August 6 at the celebration of the anniversary of the Battle of Oriskany.

**Ed Tremblay** was happy that the other NY Team, the Mets, are in first place. He was happy about two successful events in Cohoes: the Peter Yarrow concert at the Cohoes Music Hall that had 230 people and the Welcome Home Concert in Canal Square that had around 800 people. Neighborhood Night Out on August 4 in Lansing Park was a success as well.

**Colin Demers** was sad to report that a hotel guest tried to steal all the towels from the swimming pool area. Another guest came to the front desk with his young son and took all the fresh baked cookies on the tray.

**Linda Tremblay** was happy to have spent a lovely weekend in New York City visiting her son and daughter-in-law.

**Jack Madden** was happy to attend a ceremony on Sunday August 5 to celebrate the 225th anniversary of the founding of the US Coast Guard (the original organization was named the US Revenue Cutter Service when it was founded in 1790). The services represented at the ceremony included members from the active duty Coast Guard, the USCG Reserve, and the USCG Auxiliary, led by Upper Hudson River Commander Charles Poltenson, who spoke to the Rotary Club of Cohoes last year. There was representation from the US Navy and the US Army

Transportation Corps (Lieutenant Colonel Jack Madden). The previous Friday, July 31, was the 73rd anniversary of the establishment of the US Army Transportation Corps.

**Dave Mitola** was sad that he forgot what he was going to say for Good News/Bad News. Linda Tremblay helped him out by offering some good news on his behalf. She was at her daughter's house reading a book to her grandchildren and inside the front cover it said that the book had been donated by Dr. David Mitola.

**Club Business:**

The District will be honoring Rotarians of the Year on August 13, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Valley Cats Game. There will be special mention of Rotarians during the game. Chris Madden was chosen Rotarian of the Year by the Cohoes Club. Please let Linda Tremblay know if you plan to attend.

The District's Gift of Life dinner will be held on September 17, 2015 at the Mohawk Country Club.

Dave Mitola stated that the club is inviting Al Pasinella to attend a meeting as our guest and at that time we will be giving him a small award as a token of appreciation for his years of service to the club.

**Program:** Club Assembly

**Response:**

**Upcoming Programs**

**8/12/15**-Rob Zayas, Executive Director, New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA). He will be discussing what the organization does and current topics being debated in high school athletics.

## Century House Menu for Cohoes Rotary

### First Course

Mixed Vegetable Soup

### Entrée

Sliced Sirloin, Mashed Potatoes, Summer Squash, Topped With a Bourbon BBQ Demi

### Dessert

Carrot Cake

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### Rotary Club Officers

**Curtis Hovey** - President

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**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 Colin Demers.

### 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?"

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