# Rota-Briefs





Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

October 14, 2020

Mission of Rotary: Roderick Sipe

Song: Birthday:

Anniversary: Colin Demers

**Visiting Rotarians:** 

Guests: Donna Sobel, Jeff Sobel, Bethlehem Toastmasters; Beth Van Campen, Toastmasters

Door Prize: Mike Brooks

Powerball: Jeff Sobel tried for \$271 but was

unsuccessful.

Rotarians Present: Brooks, Havnen, Moak, Ries, Sage, Sipe, Tremblay, E., Tremblay L., Van

Alstine

#### Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks read some words of wisdom. **Chuck Ries** was proud of his granddaughter Jordan Ries who attends LeMoyne College. She was recognized for a paper she wrote. Another granddaughter goes to Siena and is a pollster there. Chuck was sad that the Buffalo Bills didn't look very good last night.

Byron Moak was sorry that John McCain's mother Roberta passed away at age 108. Byron was glad the storm is over. He spent two days at his sister's house because he had no power at home. Byron is now wearing a brace on his right knee which seems to be helping.

Dave Havnen was happy not to have any doctor's appointments this week. He was happy the Giants are 0 and 5.

Bill Sage was happy for the sunshine. The weather is still allowing his company to do some outside painting.

Bob Van Alstine was sad that a lifelong friend Father Bernard passed away. Bob is still walking two miles every day. Everyone in his family is healthy and well.

**Ed Tremblay** noted that in honor of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the City of Cohoes posted a notice from 1948 that talked about Reverend Schuyler Jenkins from St. John's Episcopal Church in Cohoes addressing the Cohoes Rotary. He talked about possibly coordinating together to create programs for the children of Cohoes.

Linda Tremblay was happy that it has been one month since her knee surgery and she is doing well.

Roderick Sipe was happy to report the new gutters on his house did their job during the recent storms.

#### **Club Business:**

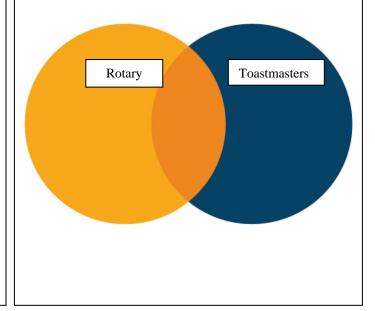
It was decided that the Cohoes Rotary Club will make a \$200 donation to the MoonCatcher project. If any individual Rotarians would like to make a personal donation on top of that please send a check made out to Cohoes Rotary to the attention of Linda Tremblay. The club will combine all donations and send one club check.

Program: Donna and Jeff Sobel and Beth Van Campen from Toastmasters talked about an alliance that was established in 2019 between Toastmasters International and Rotary International. Toastmasters is a worldwide educational, membership-based organization geared toward teaching leadership and communication skills. Rotarians are encouraged to take advantage of Toastmasters leadership development and communication courses. In turn Toastmasters are encouraged to learn about Rotary service projects. It is the hope that both organizations will benefit from increased service, speaking, learning and membership opportunities. as well as increased networking activities. For more information go to

www.rotary.org/toastmasters.

## Response:

Roderick Sipe responded on behalf of the club.



## When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

To view when and where other Rotary Clubs in District 7190 meet go to: <a href="http://www.rotary7190.org/">http://www.rotary7190.org/</a>, click on When/Where Clubs Meet in the upper left corner of the home page.

## **Cohoes Rotary Club Meeting Schedule**

Until further notice all Cohoes Rotary meetings will be Zoom meetings.

### Meeting Schedule

The schedule format is: the first <u>Tuesday</u> of the month, a Board dinner meeting at <u>5:45</u> pm at the Century House. All club members are invited to attend. The fourth <u>Tuesday</u> of the month, Rotary dinner meeting at <u>5:45</u> pm at the Century House. The second and third <u>Wednesday</u> of the month will be a lunch meeting at 12:15 pm at LifePath Living Center at Cohoes (Cohoes Senior Center). There will not be a meeting if there is a fifth Wednesday in the month.

## **Rotary Club Officers**

Roderick Sipe – President Linda Tremblay - Secretary Michael Brooks – Treasurer Ed Tremblay – Sergeant at Arms Rich Griesche - District Governor

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

## 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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#### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

ALL FUTURE COHOES ROTARY MEETINGS WILL BE ZOOM MEETINGS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.

RI President Holger Knaack's theme for 2020-21, *Rotary Opens Opportunities*, asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.

