Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

November 11, 2020

Mission of Rotary: Roderick Sipe

Song:

Birthday: Chuck Ries

Anniversary:

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Rod Dion, Tech Valley Office

Interiors/Harmony Co-Works

Door Prize: Powerball:

Rotarians Present: Barrett, Brooks, Demers, Havnen, Moak, O'Shea, Parker, Payne, Ries, Sage, Sipe, Tremblay, E., Tremblay L., Van

Alstine

Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks thanked the veterans for their service. He read some words of wisdom. **Peggy O'Shea** was happy to be able to join the

Peggy O'Shea was happy to be able to join the meeting. She was glad Mike's jokes were done. She is now the Acting Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent at the Cohoes City School District, so she is busy.

Byron Moak noted that on this day in 1918 the armistice was declared and in 1620 the Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact. On Monday Byron and his sister and brother-in-law had a picnic lunch at Saratoga Battlefield. Byron had the electricity upgraded in his house. He was encouraged to hear news about a possible COVID-19 vaccine and sad to hear about the death of Alex Trebek.

Chuck Ries was happy that his youngest granddaughter turned 6 yesterday. He was happy that the Bills beat the Sea Hawks. He went to work on Veterans Day, and he was the only one working. Chuck served as a lawyer in the military for three years during the Viet Nam era.

Colin Demers was happy to be on the call. He noted that the Governor banned gatherings of more than 10 people and that restaurants must close by 10 pm in New York State.

Bob Van Alstine could not do his usual 2 mile walk due to the rain today. He conducted a Cursillo Zoom meeting. Bob took a clothing donation to Mother Theresa's closet. He was happy to find a curio cabinet there that he purchased for \$25.

Rod Dion was happy to join the call and happy to have moved his business to Cohoes.

Lauren Payne was happy to be on the call and happy that her son just turned 21.

Dave Havnen was happy to have attended a great Veterans Day program at Union College. He had his injection in his eye today so he cannot see well

Marshall Barrett thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Tammy Parker was happy that it has been 5 weeks since she stopped smoking. For her own peace of mind, she is watching less news.

Bill Sage wished everyone a happy Veterans Day. He has been out raking leaves this week.

Linda Tremblay was happy that her knee continues to do well. She was happy for the beautiful weather she and Ed are having in Cape Cod

Ed Tremblay was happy to be enjoying a relaxing vacation. He has been doing a lot of walking. His daughter is excited to have purchased a new car. **Roderick Sipe** was happy that the financial indexes are up indicating that the economy is coming back. He thanked all the veterans for their service. Roderick noted that it was the start of Carnival

Club Business:

The club intends to sell mugs, ornaments and 50/50 tickets at the City of Cohoes Small Business Saturday Event on November 28. The club will have a table on Remsen Street next to LifePath Cohoes (Cohoes Senior Center). Roderick will send out an email to the club asking members to sign up for two hour shifts to work at the table. The winner of the 50/50 will be drawn on December 16. On October 14, several members of a local Toastmasters chapter joined the Cohoes Rotary Zoom meeting discussing their relationship with Rotary International. There are Toastmasters training modules in the Learning Center on the RI website that all Rotarians can access. Roderick went through the module called Developing a Speech to show members how to access the content.

When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

To view when and where other Rotary Clubs in District 7190 meet go to: http://www.rotary7190.org/, 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

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- 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.

