

Rota-Briefs

Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

December 9, 2020

Mission of Rotary: Roderick Sipe

Song:

Birthday: Colin Demers

Anniversary:

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests:

Door Prize: Tammy Parker

Powerball: Bill Sage tried for \$313 but was unsuccessful

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

Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks read some words of wisdom.

Tammy Parker was happy to have met Linda and Ed Tremblay in person. The bad news was that she had to wrap presents.

Bob Van Alstine was happy to have delivered his gifts for the Holiday Hope program to Linda and Ed Tremblay. He was able to do his walk yesterday. Bob was happy that his son Scott will be home for Christmas. They will be driving from their home in Pennsylvania on Christmas Day and then will be turning around and driving home.

Bill Sage was happy that we only got one inch of snow. Hopefully, that will be it for the season.

Byron Moak was also happy that we only got one inch of snow. He was happy to see that Covid-19 vaccines will soon be available.

Dave Havnen and Bill Sage virtually attended the Albany Rotary Club meeting. Dave said the speaker was good. She talked about "cause based" clubs. Dave was sad that the Covid-19 vaccines are not being distributed yet.

Chuck Ries was sad to report that his wife Debby fell. Fortunately, she did not get hurt. Chuck wished his grandson Eric a happy 18th birthday. Eric is recovering from his burn injuries. He needs to wear an arm brace for six months.

Ed Tremblay was happy to report that the last interviews of candidates for Executive Director of LifePath were held this afternoon. Hopefully, a decision will be made soon. Ed met with Evelyn Smith from Abram Lansing School. He delivered \$300 in gift cards, six bags and one box of toys from Cohoes Rotarians for the Holiday Hope program. If the school district has any gifts left, they will donate them to the Cohoes Fire Department for their Cheer for Children program.

Linda Tremblay was happy to have met Tammy Parker in person when she and Ed picked up her Holiday Hope donation. She was sad that Covid-19 cases are on the uptick again.

Roderick Sipe noted that especially in this year with Covid-19 restrictions, he was grateful to be able to stay connected with Rotarians through Zoom. He had a client call him today for assistance logging into her account and Roderick ended up talking to her for 40 minutes. Some people are isolated and just need human contact and someone to talk to.

Club Business:

Ed Tremblay reported that there are two students from Cohoes High School interested in participating in RYLA. Unfortunately, the District has put the program on hold for the moment. Roderick Sipe reminded Rotarians to get their raffle tickets and money in. The winner will be drawn on December 16. Roderick was notified by the District that a woman from Troy was looking to join a Rotary club. He sent her information about our club and when we meet. Due to the successful ornament and mug sales, Cohoes Rotary will be able to donate \$750 to LifePath Cohoes. It looks like the club will make a profit of over \$1,300.

COHOES ROTARY BOOTH AT SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY 2020



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 Tuesday of the month, a Board dinner meeting at 5:45 pm at the Century House. All club members are invited to attend. The fourth Tuesday of the month, Rotary dinner meeting at 5:45 pm at the Century House. The second and third Wednesday 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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www.rotaryclubofcohoes.org

We conclude the meeting with recitation of The 4 Way Test 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?"

From [ABC's of Rotary](#)

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.