

Rota-Briefs

Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

August 12, 2020

Mission of Rotary: Roderick Sipe

Song:

Birthday: Marshall Barrett

Anniversary: Dave Mitola

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Casey O'Neill

Door Prize: Mike Brooks

Powerball: Casey O'Neill tried for \$225 but was unsuccessful.

Rotarians Present: Barrett, Brooks, Moak, Parker, Sipe, Tremblay, E., Tremblay L., Van Alstine

Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks read some words of wisdom.

Byron Moak expected Row, Row, Row your boat for a song. He can't stand the heat and humidity. He was sad that a fellow officer of his church passed away.

Tammy Parker told a very disturbing story about an encounter she and a friend had at a Family Dollar in Ravena where police were called. She was totally shocked at the way they were treated by police when her friend was the victim of abusive behavior.

Marshall Barrett loves the hot weather. The Town was putting in a drain behind his house. A Sheriff tried to stop him from hitting a pot hole in the road due to the construction but he was too late. Marshall hit the hole with his truck. His truck bottomed out but the car on the side of the road that hit the hole first was in pieces. Marshall drove those people home. He needs to get his truck checked for damage.

Bob Van Alstine has been walking two miles a day in the morning to avoid the heat. Bob had to call a plumber to unclog a bathtub. His wife Karen got locked in the offices of Birthright where she volunteers. Fortunately they were able to get her out quickly.

Linda Tremblay needs to have a total knee replacement on August 19. She will be glad to get the procedure over with.

Ed Tremblay gave an update on some events that usually happen in Cohoes. The Ladies of Charity have cancelled the coat drive for this year due to Covid-19. The Holiday Hope program may have difficulties finding ways for parents to earn points this year. Ed was sad to see that Marie Looby, a former funeral director from Cohoes,

passed away. Former Cohoes Rotarian Jack Farrell sold his home on Columbia Street in Cohoes and has moved to Troy. He will be conducting his business out of Fitzgerald Funeral Home.

Roderick Sipe was sorry that the heat is apparently not killing the coronavirus. His youngest daughter who recently moved to Brattleboro, VT had three bats in her apartment. Thankfully she was able to get them out.

Club Business:

The Cohoes Restaurant raffle tickets are due back by August 24. The winner will be drawn at the August 26 Rotary Zoom meeting. Monika Boeckmann will be the guest speaker for the August 19 Zoom meeting.

Program:

Our guest speaker was Casey O'Neill. Casey was a 2012 graduate of Cohoes High School. She earned her BA and MA from SUNY Albany and has recently worked in the area of domestic violence and abuse treatment and prevention. Recently Casey has been volunteering at LifePath Cohoes working on the meals on wheels program. After serving in the Peace Corps, Casey wanted to come home to Cohoes and get involved in the community. She served as a mentor for Cohoes High School this past year. She is interested in promoting feminism and gender equality and preventing sexual violence. Casey would like to pursue a career in public administration.

Response:

Roderick Sipe thanked Casey for her presentation on behalf of the club.

Cohoes Rotary 2020 Christmas Ornament



When and Where Other Rotary Clubs Meet:

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

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.

