

Rota-Briefs



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

November 16, 2022

Mission of Rotary/Invocation: Dave Havnen

Birthday: Chuck Ries

Anniversary:

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Christiann Gibeau, Director, Cohoes Public Library

Door Prize: Mike Brooks

Powerball: Ken Rose tried for \$15 but was unsuccessful.

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

Good News/Bad News:

Mike Brooks read some words of wisdom.

Bob Van Alstine was happy that we only got a little bit of snow. He did not walk yesterday because the weather was too cold.

Byron Moak is going to Zoe's restaurant in Manchester, VT on Thursday with his sister. This weekend Byron will attend two Shriner's events.

Chuck Ries was happy to make the meeting, but he missed Mike's jokes.

Dave Havnen had a wonderful time at the Foundation Dinner. The gift basket the Cohoes Rotary donated was part of the live auction. Dave got the snow tires put on his car but had to go back because they forgot to tighten the lug nuts.

Ken Rose was happy to have celebrated his son and daughter's birthdays. His son turned 61 and says he is feeling old.

Bill Sage and his wife are going for a weekend at The Mirror Lake Inn in Lake Placid. Bill was happy that his grandson will be playing for Shenendehowa's Volleyball team in the Championship.

Ed Tremblay was happy for the Waterford girls' soccer team who won the championship. The Cohoes team was the only team that beat them. Ed shared that his son and daughter in law had water damage in their new house in Freehold. The previous owner replaced an interior water pipe with a garden hose.

Linda Tremblay was happy for a good vacation in Cape Cod and a good Thanksgiving with family.

Christiann Gibeau was happy that Senator Neil Breslin was able to secure a \$500,000 grant to fix the façade of the tower at the Cohoes Public Library. Assemblyman John McDonald secured a \$100,000 grant for the library to fix windows. It looks like another year before the library will open. They will continue to use the Cohoes Senior Center as a satellite library.

Club Business:

The ornaments and mugs for the holiday fundraiser are available for purchase from Linda or Ed Tremblay, and at Marra's Pharmacy. The design is the 1968 Cohoes High School. The drawing for the Thanksgiving raffle will be on Wednesday, November 23. Please get your tickets to Linda Tremblay before that date. Gift donations for Holiday Hope need to be delivered to Linda Tremblay by December 8. The Cohoes Rotary Holiday party will be held Thursday, December 22 at The Century House in Latham.

Program:

Christiann Gibeau celebrated her second anniversary as Director of the Cohoes Public Library on Veterans Day. While the library is closed for repairs the building is being cleaned. A new microfiche machine was purchased for the library. The children's section is being rearranged. The summer reading program had 32 children participating. Eleven special programs were presented during this time. The staff is working on getting people to get Cohoes Library cards or renew their membership. The library celebrated the 150th anniversary of the discovery of the Cohoes Mastodon. Spindle City Historic Society did an adult program on the Mastodon, the library staff did a children's program with the NYS Museum. There was a program celebrating the 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson's voyage up the Hudson River. The Friends of the Cohoes Public Library are always looking for members. The Friends help to financially support programming at the library.

Response: Linda Tremblay responded on behalf of the club.



Linda Tremblay and Christiann Gibeau

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 second and third Wednesday of the month is a lunch meeting at 12:00 pm at LifePath at Cohoes Senior Center. The fourth Wednesday of the month is a Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm. There will not be a meeting if there is a fifth Wednesday in the month.

Rotary Club Officers

Tammy Parker – President
Roderick Sipe - Past President
Linda Tremblay - Secretary
Michael Brooks – Treasurer
Ed Tremblay – Sergeant at Arms
Denise DiNoto - District Governor

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We conclude the meeting with recitation of The 4 Way Test led by Linda Tremblay.

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

11/16/22-Cohoes Rotary Lunch Meeting, 12:00 pm, LifePath at Cohoes Senior Center, Guest Speaker Christiann Gibeau, Director, Cohoes Library
11/23/22-Cohoes Rotary Lunch Meeting, 12:00 pm, LifePath at Cohoes Senior Center, Deacon Charles Valenti, Thanksgiving Message
11/30/22-Cohoes Rotary Zoom Meeting, 7:00 pm
12/5/22-Cohoes Rotary Board Meeting, 5:45 pm, The Century House, Latham
12/14/22-Cohoes Rotary Lunch Meeting, 12:00 pm, LifePath at Cohoes Senior Center
12/22/22-(Thursday) Cohoes Rotary Holiday Party, The Century House, Latham, 5:45 pm
12/28/22-Cohoes Rotary Zoom Meeting, 7:00 pm

Rotary International President Jennifer Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and make the most of their club experiences. During her year, Jones will focus on four presidential initiatives that Imagine Rotary: advancing our commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI); creating a welcoming club experience; empowering girls; and expanding our reach.

