

# **Rota-Briefs**



Rotary Club of Cohoes - A Subsidiary of Rotary International

January 11, 2017

**Invocation:** Byron Moak

Song: "You are My Sunshine," Chuck Ries

Birthday: Monika Boeckmann

Anniversary:

**Visiting Rotarians:** Assistant District Governor Jack Faddegon, Colonie Club; Byron Moak,

Lansingburgh Club

Guests:

Door Prize: Jack Farrell

Powerball: Linda Tremblay tried for \$49 but was

unsuccessful.

**Rotarians Present:** 

Barrett, Brooks, Farrell, Hovey, Mitola, Ries,

Tremblay, E., Tremblay, L.

#### Good News/Bad News:

The following members paid happy/sad dollars:

**Mike Brooks** thanked Colin Demers for the ride to the meeting. He called it his meals on wheels. He read some words of wisdom.

Jack Farrell told a story he read in the Washington Post and New York Times so it must be true. Jack was happy to see a picture of his granddaughter playing in the snow for the first time. She lives in North Carolina.

**Chuck Ries** was happy the Sabers looked good last night.

**Byron Moak** was happy his house didn't blow away in all the wind overnight. He was happy for the good weather but sad that he has a root canal coming up soon.

Marshall Barrett was sad that he was up all night. They lost power. His mother is on oxygen so Marshall had to make sure the generator kept running.

**Jack Faddegon** paid \$5,000 five years ago to put in an automatic generator system. The bad news is that he hasn't lost power since it went in.

**Ed Tremblay** paid for a missed meeting and for his birthday. He was happy to announce that students from Cohoes High will be coming to the Cohoes Senior Center every Tuesday to teach the seniors how to use technology.

**Dave Mitola** was sad about the Giants. He did not lose power so he saw the game.

Curtis Hovey was sad that he didn't get any sleep last night but happy for today's good weather.

The Cohoes Community Center Fashion Show is coming up in a few weeks. He was happy for a good Sabers game.

Club Business: Curtis Hovey reported that the Cohoes Rotary will again participate in the District's Canstruction Project. Canned goods and dry goods donations can be brought to the Cohoes Community Center or to a Rotary meeting. Canned goods will be collected until March.

**Program:** Assistant District Governor Jack Faddegon talked about how important increasing membership is. Most clubs who have been successful in increasing membership make their membership drive a part of every meeting. He suggested the club refer to the Membership Playbook put together by the District Membership Committee. He would like to see every club in area 8 gain at least one new member.

Area 8 is looking to do some sort of joint project that all the clubs could participate in. Jack asked for suggestions from the members. Different options were discussed. What appealed to the members present was to do a community service project (like at a historic site) followed by a social event like a picnic to promote comradery.

#### Response:

## **Upcoming Rotary Speakers and Events**

1/18/17-Brittney Hunt, Parent Liaison for the Cohoes City School District will discuss her job duties and give an update on the UPK program. 4/1/17-District Training Assembly and Grants Management Seminar, Skidmore College

## 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.

### **Rotary Club Officers**

Curtis Hovey - President
Edward Tremblay - President Elect
Linda Tremblay - Secretary
Michael Brooks - Treasurer
Marshall Barrett - Sergeant At Arms
John Mucha - District Governor

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

## 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

## Song: You Are My Sunshine

You are my sunshine,
My only sunshine.
You make me happy,
When skies are grey.
You'll never know dear,
How much I love you.
Please don't take my sunshine away.

The other nite dear,
As I lay sleeping,
I dreamed I held you in my arms.
When I awoke dear,
I was mistaken
And I hung my head and cried.

## **Century House Menu for Cohoes Rotary**

#### **First Course**

Ham & Lentil Soup

#### Entrée

Teriyaki Sirloin, Jasmine Rice & Squash

#### **Dessert**

Pound Cake with a Berry Compote and Whipped Cream