



Rotary Club of Red Hook, New York

Weekly Bulletin

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Marking the 56th week of “stay at home” meetings required by the coronavirus outbreak, Jennifer Van Voorhis called the Zoom meeting to order at 8 am. Nine club members attended, plus our frequent guest from the Kingston club, Gwen McCann. Jen led the meeting off with the pledge of allegiance and the Rotary 4-way test. Michael Shafer offered a blessing to start the meeting.

Screenshot from the zoom meeting provided by Jen Van Voorhis. Pictured by row from top left to bottom right are

Jen started the meeting by asking Jonah to brief us on Radio Rotary. He will be taping April 11th's show today. It will feature an interview with the leadership of the Poughkeepsie School Foundation. The Foundation is seeking donations to their efforts to insure that every student has a laptop and access to the internet – two items critical to their education during these times of remote learning.

Susan Ezrati then reminded everyone that the deadline for Rotary International Foundation gifts is coming soon. Each member is asked to donate at least \$25 to ensure that the club is recognized as a contributor to Every Rotarian Every Year. So far this year, 8 members have made donations. The club has 17 active members so we need 12 additional members to participate. Each Club is asked to contribute an average of \$125 per member. The Red Hook club has met this goal each year by asking everyone at least to make the minimum gift of \$25, and then relying on other members to make up the difference. Checks should be sent to our Foundation representative, Bud Weaver, at PO Box 88, Red Hook NY 12571. The Rotary International Foundation is the source of many grants that our club receives annually. It is a reciprocal relationship in which the club definitely receives more than it gives.

Takeaway's from last week's zoom 101 session included helpful hints about the private chat function that is possible by clicking on each person's screenshot and the explanation about how to alter your background on the screenshot. Everyone agreed that it was helpful. Everyone who attended the Fifth Tuesday event complemented Susan Simon's program. Susan volunteered to organize the next one as well!

Jen noted that the scholarship and RYLA applications are coming into our PO address. Keep encouraging applications!

The million mask challenge comes back next Saturday, April 10. It will take place from 11 am to 1Pm in Ferris Park in Fishkill, NY. Jen is thinking of requesting 6000 masks this time. She needs a volunteer to pick them up. Let her know before Saturday if you can do it.

The Clynk program will donate \$90 of personal hygiene products to St. John's church this week.

We returned to the discussion of how to make up for the now-cancelled Apple Blossom Day fundraiser. Our illustrious leader of past festivals, Dave Wright, cannot do it this time. His day job has him working long hours helping local businesses qualify for PPE loans, and he cannot take on more tasks. The recommendations for how to maintain our relationships with Apple Blossom Day contributors are many and include offering to combine requests for donations with raffling of restaurant gift certificates to those restaurants who have supported Apple Blossom Day in the past. We plan to delay our business directory to the time of the Citizen of the Year dinner. We had a brief discussion of moving the COTY event to August and holding it outdoors in a tent. The discussion did not reach a conclusion. More later.

Tony Marmo will be coming back to visit us again at a date to be determined. The town will be sponsoring clean-up day April 24-25. Equipment and bags can be picked up in the Town Hall parking lot that day and locations will be assigned. Tivoli will also provide bags to volunteers on the same Saturday. Rotarians should wear club shirts and or hats and participate.

We adjourned at 9am.

Radio Rotary

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