Speaker host, Barry Ramage, introduced Drs. Cathy and George “Hop” Michaels from the Red Hook Tree Preservation Commission. Cathy is President of the Commission and George is a member. Cathy spoke about some of the goals of the Commission, which are: Outreach programs to our schools, Arbor Day celebration, maintaining Tree City status for Red Hook, and planting trees! Since the commission began they have planted 349 trees. Fantastic!

Hop spoke about their current project which is planting trees along Pitcher Lane at the west end near Budds Corners Road. He had an aerial photo of this area taken in 1955. Back then Pitcher Lane was a tree lined country road. Planting trees along the road has required obtaining permission from landowners and the Town Highway Department and clearing the roadside of unwanted brush. That has been done, so now they are ready to plant trees. Four trees were planted last year, but there is room for about 25 more. The Commission purchases bare root trees that are about 1 ¾ inches in diameter. Each tree costs about $100. The Commission can always use help planting, watering and purchasing the trees. Maybe our club can be of assistance this Spring!

Members we missed and look forward to seeing next week: Rev. Fred Cartier, Emily Fox, Linda Greenblatt, Rob Latimer, Karen Mead-Cadorette, Theresa Reed, Rev. Michael Shafer, Hon. Jonah Triebwasser, and Gale Wolfe.

Guests with us today were our speakers Cathy and George Michaels, Eleanor Zelek and Kyle from Trustco Bank. Attendance: 58% - Happy dollars $40 No 50/50 Carl felt lazy this morning.
Next Club meeting - Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at Cancun Family Mexican Restaurant, Red Hook – 5:30 pm. Cash Bar – appetizers provided by Club.

NO Breakfast meeting on January 30.

Our exchange student, Mercedes, from Spain has moved to her next host family and is doing fine. We need another host family for the last leg of Mercedes’ time with us. So, if you know of any possible host families, please contact Chris Chale at vexchale@rodenhausenchale.com.

Club Meeting Schedule and member responsibilities:

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Rev. Fred Cartier is collecting books and magazines for Northern Dutchess Hospital's reading cart. Please bring your magazines and books to Fred at any breakfast meeting. Labels have been made to affix to the magazines indicating they have been donated by the Red Hook Rotary Club.

Your change can make a change! - Bring your filled Rotary coin boxes to any meeting and donate to Rotary International Foundation's Polio Plus campaign. If you need a coin box, please see Bud Weaver.

Remember to write down your volunteer hours and turn them into Theresa Reed!
RadioRotary

In the photo are RadioRotary co-hosts Jonah Triebwasser and Sarah O’Connell and producer Kathy Kruger.

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Eleanor Zelek pictured above with President Tim Lynch spoke to our club regarding an event on June 2, 2018 to promote Peace and End Polio. She is working with DG Jim Damiani organizing this walk across the Walkway Over the Hudson. See the flyer below for information.
Rotary Promenade for PEACE AND POLIO+

Peace Bells Across The Hudson

Walkway Bridge Promenade
June 2nd 2018
8:30am
in Poughkeepsie/Highland
Rotary Awareness Quiz – How much do you know about Rotary? Try first, don’t peek at the answers!

1. How many people attended the first Rotary meeting on Thursday evening, February 23, 1905?
2. What was the first Rotary Club community project?
3. Men with Friends; The Blue Boys; The Conspirators; The Round Table – What do these names have in common?
4. Who was the first President of a Rotary Club?
5. What is the greatest distance from Chicago that a Rotary Club banner has been displayed?
6. Youth Exchange is one of Rotary’s most popular and successful programs. When and where was the first exchange?