



Rotary Club of Red Hook, New York

Weekly Bulletin

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Marking the 42nd week of “stay at home” meetings required by the coronavirus outbreak and the first meeting in 2021, Jennifer Van Voorhis called the Zoom meeting to order at 8 am. Fourteen club members attended including Jen, Susan Ezrati, Linda Greenblatt, Fred Cartier, Bud Weaver, Dave Wright, the Hon. Jonah Triebwasser, Chris Chale, Tim Lynch, Carl Dowden, Susan Simon, Erik Johansen, Mike Shafer and Rob Latimer. The meeting started with the pledge, the Rotary 4-Way test and a blessing by Rev. Mike.



Screenshot provided by Fred Cartier. Attendees by row from top left to bottom right: Bud Weaver, Fred Cartier, Linda Greenblatt, Susan Ezrati, Jen Van Voorhis, Dave Wright, Mike Shafer, Carl Dowden, Rob Latimer, Jonah Triebwasser, Tim Lynch, Susan Simon, Erik Johansen, Chris Chale.

Today’s meeting was a business meeting. Jen led it off with questions about whether we would be moving forward with plans for Apple Blossom Day. Dave, who has chaired

this function for many years, told us that he had spoke with the village mayor, Ed Blundell. Both realized that given current conditions – continuing spread of the coronavirus and delayed distributions of vaccines – holding the Festival in May is doubtful. Options include combining it with Hard Scrabble Day or holding it mid summer. Given that neither of these options is very palatable, s firm decision on the festival is being delayed for another 30 days.

Jen asked for suggestions for speakers going forward. A number of suggestions were made including several that Jonah has sponsored on Radio Rotary. It was agreed that the zoom format allows us to reach out to good candidates further a field since they do not have to come to Red Hook. Jonah has hosted a speaker from the Animal Farm Foundation and several others who could be good candidates. We also hope that Erik Johansen will be able to join us again – as he has today – since his schedule is less hectic.

New members are committing as well. Emily Mangieri and Bev Hogan will be joining as soon as their paperwork is completed.

Jen announced the slate of officers for the FY 21-22. They are: Dave Wright and Rob Latimer, VPs; Susan Ezrati, Treasurer, Susan Simon, Secretary and Jen Van Voorhis, President and President-Elect.

Congratulations were offered to Linda Greenblatt for serving as the club archivist. She has been delivering PDF's of the newsletter to the Red Hook Historical Society for a long time. Whether the copies should be delivered electronically was discussed.

Jen spoke of a “mask challenge” sponsored by the Rossi Foundation. Surgical and N95 masks will be distributed on Jan 14 at Newburgh. The club can take 500 - 1000. Tim Lynch volunteered to pick them up.

Jen then asked the club for fundraising ideas that would work in our digital communication world. Rob Latimer offered to lead a committee.

The business meeting was adjourned. Board members remained for a brief Board meeting.

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