



## Rotary Club of Red Hook, New York

Weekly Bulletin

*SERVICE ABOVE SELF*

September 15, 2020

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Marking the 26th week of “stay at home” meetings required by the coronavirus outbreak, Jen Van Voorhis opened the “zoom” meeting at 8am. Thirteen Rotarians attended the meeting. Jen Van Voorhis presided, leading off the meeting with the pledge and the Rotary 4-way test. Reverend Michael Shafer offered the blessing.

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Photo screen shot taken by photographer and Rotarian, Fred Cartier. Attendees by row from top left to bottom right are: Jennifer Van Voorhis, Fred Cartier, Jonah Triebwasser, Susan Ezrati, Tim Lynch, Dennis (our new representative from TrustCo Bank), Linda Greenblatt, Dave Wright (a little shy in this photo), our guest speaker, Scott Oatkin with the Borgen Project, Michael Shafer, Carl Dowden, Chris Chale, Susan Simon, Rebecca Kent and Rob Latimer.

Dennis, our new Trustco Bank member, led off the conversation with a tribute to Rotary. He is excited to have this opportunity to engage with the community through a service

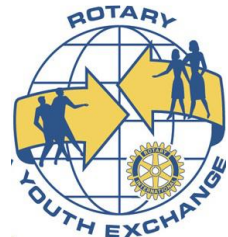
organization whose motto is “Service above Self.” We also met his 6-month old daughter, who entertained us cheerfully and quietly throughout the zoom meeting.

Jonah introduced Scott Oatkin of the Borgen project, and Scott related that he has known about Rotary since his Interact experience in Rhinebeck as a high school student. That club sent the Interact club on a mission to Nicaragua that captured his imagination and set the direction for his life. He told us that the Borgen Project, recently featured on Radio Rotary, is focused on global poverty. It was started by Cliff Borgen in 2003. It now has 3000 members, each reaches out to alleviate poverty in the world. Scott told us that there are 730 million people in extreme poverty and over 800 million additional people experiencing food insecurity. The project uses community education to find ways to alleviate these tragedies. He urged us to go to the website: [www. BorgenProject](http://www.BorgenProject) to learn about what they are doing.

Jen thanked Scott for his work and told him about the efforts that are being undertaken in Red Hook to feed 200 families weekly.

Jonah announced that our own Susan Simon would be featured later in the day on Radio Rotary. Susan will be talking about Finances in a Time of Pandemic. Rebecca updated us on the Clynk program, noting that our collection of nearly 40,000 cans and bottles have enabled purchases of nearly \$2000 worth of personal hygiene products for distribution through food pantries in the community. Jen announced that 2900 pounds of food is being delivered to the Red Hook United Methodist Church later today. That food pantry is hoping to find a way to allow individuals to shop for their particular needs soon, noting that the distribution of bags of food tends to be inefficient in that many do not need all of the products in the bags.

**Next Club meeting: September 22, 2020 at 8am by Zoom.**



Red Hook Rotary Club normally seeks host families for our inbound youth exchange students. During this year due to the Pandemic, the YEX program is suspended. Watch this spot for information on its reappearance. At that time, contact Chris Chale with volunteer families

## **Radio Rotary**

### **Susan Simon on Finances in the time of Pandemic**

On Radio Rotary on Tuesday, September 15 at 10 am

Susan Simon on Finances in the time of Pandemic, then,  
on Sunday, September 20th  
The Vassar Haiti Project

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