



# The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes



*The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club*  
**October 28, 2021**

## **Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting**

**Welcome:** Club President Paul Johnson opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:09 PM, welcoming everyone and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Meeting Prayer and Meal:** The meeting invocation was given by Stephan McDavid. This week's meal at Highland Country Club Meat, pasta, sweet potatoes, green beans and mixed salad and dressings.

**Rotary Song and Rotary Minute:** This week there were no members with a birthday or anniversary. President Paul will be out of town on November 11<sup>th</sup> and the club needs to decide if it will have a meeting that Thursday.

**Attendance & Guests:** There were 26 attending the weekly meeting, 21 members in person, 2 via Zoom, and 3 guests in person, District Governor Ellen Deaton, visiting Rotarian Matt Linch, and Jonathon Powell from Quality Sound.

**Health and Happiness:** President Paul passed the microphone to Brandon Price who reviewed the upcoming Rotary Christmas Parade preparation. The Parade will be held on December 11, 2021. All Rotarians will need to be at the Courthouse parking lot by 8:00 AM and should expect to work the Parade until past noon. We are hoping for good weather.

**Club Program:** President introduced District Governor Ellen Deaton who spoke about her Rotary Year to date as District Governor and her plan for the year. District Governor Ellen noted that her top priority is growing Rotary by increasing membership. She is looking for every club to grow by 10 per cent. She noted that The Fayetteville Club was doing its part in increasing membership. DG Ellen noted that the District clubs need to increase their female membership. She is hoping Rotary will empower women into leadership roles, greater education, and other opportunities. The district has 43 clubs now in this zoom environment and 2 new clubs being formed. With UNC and Duke in our area combining to offer graduate degrees in peace and conflict studies and up to 10 of the 100 Peace Fellows from Rotary in the program here each year, the District generally sponsors several students. The Districts Rotary Foundation goal for the year is \$280k. The Fayetteville Rotary Club has annually historically led the District in percent of members giving and amount of giving per capita. The club has many EREY givers.

## **Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:**

- Nov 4 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Program, Fred Kayitare, MU.
- Nov 11 – There will be no Rotary meeting because of the Veterans day holiday.

**50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell:** Gordon Johnson won \$23 in the 50/50 Raffle this week. President Paul, thanked District Governor Ellen Deaton for her presentation, welcomed guests to the club, thanked them and all members for attending, and then lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, adjourning at 2:00 PM.

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