



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

June 24, 2021



Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: Club President Stephen McDavid opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:00 PM, welcoming all to the meeting and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by President Steve. Our ninth meal meeting back at Highland Country Club was medallions of chicken in sauce, potatoes, steamed broccoli and mixed salad.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: There were no more club member birthdays in Jun but 4 birthdays before our next meeting in July, Maureen Running and Ty Ross both on July 1, and Dave Baggett and Del Crawford on July 6.

Attendance & Guests: There were 23 attending the weekly meeting; 22 members in person and one guest, Mary Holmes, our guest speaker.

Health and Happiness: President Steve reminded members that the Fayetteville Rotary Christmas Parade would take place the second Saturday in December. President Steve reminded members that the Rotary Family Golf Tournament would be held on August 14th, asking members to solicit sponsors.

Club Program: Drew Young introduced the guest speaker, Mary Holmes, Director of the Cumberland Community Foundation. Mary gave an informative power point presentation about the Foundation and the foundation contributors, among them a number of Rotary Club members. The Foundation was created in 1980 by Dr. Lucile West Hutaff's endowment of \$576,840 in stock. By 1984 the Foundation had awarded grants totaling \$297,315, supporting the projects of 36 nonprofit organizations. Mary Holmes became the Foundation Director in 1997. By 2021 the Foundation had \$115,419,715 in assets, had received \$129 million in gifts and given grants and scholarships worth \$61 million. The Foundation's smallest gift received is a \$2.00 money orders and the largest gift to the Foundation has so far been \$10 million. The Foundation has provided seed money for creating the Cape Fear Botanical Garden, funds for starting construction of the new Public Library, funds for growing the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, funds in support of the Care Clinic, Fayetteville Animal Protection Society, Inc., The Salvation Army, County Schools, Scholarships, Fayetteville Area Operation Inasmuch, & local Universities.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Event.

- July 1 – The FRC will not hold a meeting this week because it is the 4th of July Holiday weekend.
- July 8 – The FRC 1 PM Meeting to be held at Highland Country Club. Program, FTCC Public Safety Dir.
- July 15 - The FRC 1 PM Meeting to be held at Highland Country Club.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell. Joe Running won the 50/50 Raffle, winning \$18. President Steve thanked all for attending, and lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, adjourning the meeting at 2:00 PM.