



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes



The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club
July 29, 2021

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

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

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by Steve McDavid. The meal at Highland Country Club was Turkey medallion and gravy, potatoes au gratin, mixed vegetables, and mixed salad.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: There were no members with a birthday or anniversary this week. Secretary Drew reminded the membership of the upcoming District Foundation Seminar at the Mad Boar at River Landing in August. President Paul brought two proposed members to a vote, Ion Cerga and Amy Navejas. Both received unanimous approval by the members present at the meeting.

Attendance & Guests: There were 25 attending the weekly meeting, 20 members in person and 2 Via Zoom; with 3 guests in person, Carolyn Justice Hinson, David Allred and Guest Speaker, Amy Cannon.

Health and Happiness: President Paul reminded members of the Club's primary fundraiser, the Walker Golf Classic. Tim Richardson told members we have only two weeks to get sponsors before the golf tournament on August 14th. Charles Koonce asked the Club for a \$250 donation for the Sand Hills Purple Heart Dinner, on 21 August. Dave Baggett asked the club to donate \$1000 and the club unanimously voted to give \$1000. FRC has to complete grant requests by 31 August 2021 for Rotary Year 2021-2022.

Club Program: President Paul introduced Amy Cannon, Cumberland County Manager. Amy Cannon spoke about the potential impact of the American Rescue Plan on Cumberland County. Of the \$350 Billion plan, Cumberland County is expecting to receive \$65 million in two payments divided between 2021 and 2022. The funds have to be spent by 31 December 2026; to support public health response to the pandemic by enhancing behavioral health, improving design & execution of health and public health, and addressing disparities in public health outcomes; to address negative impacts caused by the emergency, by address households or populations, small business/non-profits, and aid to impacted industries health; to give premium pay to essential workers who are at most health risk due to their service in critical infrastructure sectors; to investment in water and sewer infrastructure, improving access to clean drinking water, improve sewers, and EPA aligned project categories; to invest in reliable broadband for households and businesses; to replace public sector funds; and to improve equity.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Event

- Aug 5 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club at 1:00 PM. Program, Rick's Place Diana Jergens.
- Aug 12 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 PM. Program, TBD.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell. Sheryl Casey won the 50/50 Raffle, winning \$32. President Paul thanked Amy Cannon with a FRC coin for her program and 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.