



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes



The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club
July 30, 2020

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: Club President Stephen McDavid opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Clubs (FRC) Zoom meeting at 1:00 PM, welcoming all to the weekly meeting.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by Bonnie Dawdy. There was no meal as the meeting was on-line.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: President Steve, after welcoming the members and our guest, asked Bonnie Dawdy to give the meeting invocation.

Attendance & Guests: There were 16 present, 15 members of the Fayetteville Rotary Club and 1 guest, Bianca Shoneman, President and CEO of Cool Spring Downtown District Corporation(CSDDC).

Health and Happiness: There were no member birthdays this past week. Magda Baggett gave a Happy Buck for the arrival of her granddaughter who will be attending UNC at Chapel Hill as a Freshman Morehead-Cain Scholar. Janice McFadyen gave a Happy Buck for being able to take her mobile home out for a trip. Stephen McDavid gave a Happy buck for the Covid-19 recovery of his father and father's wife. Drew Young gave a Happy Buck for his wife's successful Cataract operation.

Club Program: Tim Richardson introduced our guest speaker Bianca Shoneman who spoke about the Cool Spring Downtown District. Bianca Shoneman, an East Carolina University Graduate and early 2000s Peace Corps member in El Salvador, recently joined the Cool Spring Downtown District as President and CEO. Begun in 2017, the Cool Spring Downtown District, charitable, nonprofit corporation was formed to create and sustain an arts and entertainment district in the .55 square mile Fayetteville, NC downtown central core. The Corporation is supported through generous funding provided by the city and the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County. CSDDC supported 4 events in 2018 and 40 in 2019. Under Covid-19, CSDDC is offering \$50 gift cards that have a \$75 value to promote over 100 businesses downtown. They have supported 2 commercial dumpsters downtown, at Donaldson St. and the Arts Council, 9 new art installations by the Arts Council, and painted crosswalks and the Market House yellow Black Lives Matter street sign. They hope to bring Prismatic, a 30 colored Light Spheres art show to display along Linear Park. Go on-line to learn more, sponsor and receive their newsletter.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Event.

- Aug 6 – The FRC Zoom meeting will be held at 1PM.
- Aug 13 - The FRC Zoom meeting will be held at 1PM.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell. There was no raffle. President Steve thanked Bianca Shoneman for her presentation to the Rotary Club, then lead everyone in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say and do**, and adjourned our on-line meeting at 2:00 PM.

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