



The Combined Fayetteville Rotary Spoke

The Weekly Newsletter of the Newly Combining Fayetteville Rotary Clubs

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Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: Fayetteville Rotary Club President Tim Richardson opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Clubs (FRC) meeting at 1:00 PM at HCC, welcoming all and leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting/meal invocation was given by Ron Gunter. The meal was sliced brisket in gravy, chicken and dumplings, wild rice, steamed cabbage, bread, mixed salad and choice of dressings, and ice water and choice of tea, coffee, soda or lemonade. The meal was very tasty.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: Tim, after welcoming all to the Club meeting and introducing the guests turned the meeting over to Dave Baggett. Dave reminded members that the 2 April club meeting will be held at 6PM at Methodist University where the Club will celebrate Bill Lowdermilk night and give scholarships to many of the 24 students recommended by faculty for the scholarships.

Attendance & Guests: There were 26 present, 23 members of the Fayetteville Rotary Club and 3 guests. The guests included Bob Theobald, Jim Goodwin a local McDonalds Franchisee and Foundation Board VP, and Brooke Berryman, UNC Hospital Ronald McDonald House spokesperson.

Health and Happiness: Tim reminded members of the Monday evening, 9 March, 6PM, Club Board meeting at Scrub Oaks. Tim also reminded everyone that the Fayetteville Rotary Club was planning for its 100th Anniversary Party at Highland Country Club the evening of May 7, 2020. Magda let the club know that our original past Rotary International President event speaker had to cancel because of medical concerns. Others are being pursued.

Club Program: Magda Baggett introduced our guest speaker Brooke Berryman who spoke about the Ronald McDonald House in Chapel Hill. She said that Ronald McDonald House had 85 overall beds in 12 long term suites, 7 apartments, and 34 rooms to provide comfortable space away from home for individuals and families who have to stay near UNC hospital while they or a family member is being treated. The house serves 9 hot meals a week. Medicaid pays for 13 % of those that come to the house but 87% must fund it themselves or through some other insurance. In the past five years over 104 families spending over 1707 nights at the house have come from Cumberland County. The Ronald McDonald House Foundation is always looking for donations and those willing to give of their time.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Event.

- March 12 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club at 1 PM. Program, Dell Crawford
- March 19 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club at 1 PM. Program, Drew Young

50-50 Raffle. Joe Running's ticket was drawn this week. Joe won approximately 20 Dollars. Tim lead everyone in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say and do**, and our meeting at Highland Country Club was adjourned at 2:00 PM.