Meeting Notes – Oct. 6, 2020

We opened our meeting with the salute to the flag and prayer.

Carrie Royster had been invited by Rotarian Dori Harmon to speak briefly on the Rockingfest on the Square, which will be held in LaFayette on November 14.  We will discuss in the coming weeks what part, if any, we (Rotary) will take in the event.

Rotarian David Owen had the program this week.  His guest was Mr. Tyler Nelson from Southern Union State Community College (SUSCC).  Tyler spoke on his role in helping SUSCC students and graduates find internships and job placements in our community and solicited support from local businesses to host/hire these students. For more information on Mr. Nelson’s presentation please go to <https://www.valleytimes-news.com/2020/10/suscc-tyler-nelson-speaks-to-lafayette-rotary-club/>

We discussed the Christmas gift bags for the nursing home(s).  We have talked during the last couple of meetings that we did want to continue the tradition.  The first year we did just LaFayette Nursing Home (53-57 bags).  Last year we did that one and LaFayette Extended Care, for a total of 130-135 bags.

Hopefully we can discuss the final decision at next week’s meeting as to whether we want to provide bags for just one or both of the homes.  We can also make a final determination on how to collection donations for this project. We would like to have the money collected by the end of October so we can begin the shopping.  Christmas will be here before we know it!

Rotarian Owen, Chambers Academy Headmaster, has graciously volunteered some of his students to help "stuff" the bags.  Let us know if you would like to help deliver the gift bags closer to Christmas.  We just take them into the building and the staff places the gifts around the tree at a later time.  We do not deliver to individual residents.

Diane Sherriff

Immediate Past President