

Rotary Club of Hertford Meeting Activities and Events

February 14, 2023

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Quote of the Day

"Firemen never know what they will encounter on each call but proceed with the same level of commitment and service."

--Byron Pulsifer

Guests

Drew Woodard, Guest Speaker

Member Birthdays

None

Member Anniversaries

Kimberly Westbrook, 16 yrs

Wedding Anniversaries

None

Program Schedule

02/21 Sandy Stevenson (SOM)

02/28 Glenn White

03/07 Robert Beauchamp

03/14 Winfield Boyer

03/21 Tim Brinn (SOM)

03/28 Assembly

Attendance

Members Present 16 Attendance % 67 Bob opened the meeting at 7:00 am. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance, sang God Bless America, then Karen gave the Invocation.

Announcements

- * Reminder to donate to Hunger Heroes
- * The Reading Program needs more volunteers to fill the openings in our schedule with the school.

Program

Bron presented Drew Woodard, Chief of the Hertford Fire Department. He is the son of local pharmacist Charles Woodard, is married to Heather who is a nurse, and they have three children. He grew up in Hertford before attending Chowan University and got a degree in Criminal Justice. He serves as a Magistrate and works on the family farm. Around the time that he was in college he became a volunteer fireman and served at two stations before joining the Hertford Fire Department. There, he worked his way up the chain of command and became the Chief in 2017. His station is currently comprised of 29 volunteer members. Historically, he noted that the earliest reference to a fire department in Hertford dates to 1879. He then described the equipment that they use and the cost of it. A fireman (or woman) wears \$10,000 worth of equipment that needs to be replaced every few years. The fire engines and pumper truck run well over \$1 million dollars (combined). Like their personal equipment, these machines need to be maintained and replaced after so many years. Their funding comes from the Town of Hertford, Perquimans County, and through fundraising.

Concluding Activities

- * Happy Bucks: Frank & Brenda
- * 50/50 Raffle: Karen won & donated it to Polio Plus
- * Members recited the 4-Way Test.
- * The meeting adjourned at 7:50 am.

Respectfully submitted by Bob.