



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

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Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: Club President Paul Johnson opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:10 PM, welcoming everyone and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by President Paul. This week's meal was Steak with gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, and Mixed Salad.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: This week we had no member birthdays or anniversaries.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 27 attending the weekly meeting, 11 members in person, 6 members via zoom and 10 guests in person – prospective member Gerome Banks and Jonathan Powell from Quality Sound, Jon Rynne (PWC), Susan Fritzen (PWC), Matt Linch, and Jenna Hodges, Caleb Brown, Sandy Lin, Hannah Frowner - RYLA Awardees, and the guest Speaker Jay Reinstein.

Health and Happiness: President Paul went over our upcoming speakers and encouraged members to bring guests and prospective members. Dave Baggett presented the four Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) awardees present for our meeting, of the 12 winners. Dave explained that he and Magda would be driving the awardees to the RYLA weekend experience at Trinity Center, the Episcopal Retreat Center located at Pine Knolls Shores on the outer banks from January 28th to 30th, 2022.

Club Program: President Paul introduced our guest speaker Jay Reinstein, who has in the past served as Fayetteville and Raleigh, NC Assistant City Manager. He spoke on Alzheimer's, and as one relatively recently diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's, the impact it has on your life and that of your family and friends. Since he was diagnosed with the disease, he has been traveling the country the last several years advocating for research and the development of drugs to counter the disease. Jay noted that there are currently 6 million Americans living with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia, that includes some 180,000 North Carolina residents. That number is expected to grow to some 210,000 in North Carolina by 2025. Jay said that while research funds have grown from \$4 million a year 10 years ago to \$3.2Billion a year today, recently developed drugs are not supported by Medicare and Medicaid for use in medical trials basis. Their cost is about \$58K a year. NC and SC Rotary Clubs are weekly Collecting CART funds that provide millions of dollars for small Alzheimer's research projects.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- Jan 20 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Prog., Wakenia George.
- Jan 27 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Prog. Chris Stevenson, DEI.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: There was no 50/50 Raffle this week. President Paul welcomed guests to the club, thanked Jay Reinstein for his presentation, thanked guests and all members for attending, and then lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, adjourning at 2:00 PM.