



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

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Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: President Brandon Price opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:00 PM, welcoming everyone and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by Steve McDavid. This week's meal was Chicken Nuggets, Rice, and Steamed vegetable roux, Mixed Salad with dressings, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: President Brandon brought the Name of a prospective member, Chris Nelson up for a vote. The club voted unanimously to admit Chris. President Brandon reminded members of the District Foundation dinner at the Mad Boar, in Wallace on November 12th, beginning at 5 pm. The speaker will be the Rotary International President Nominee Stephanie Urchick. Sign up on DACdb.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 26 attending the weekly meeting, 20 members in person, none via Zoom, and 6 guests, including Michael Dawdy, Kaylee Dawdy, and Scout Leaders Lucas Dawdy, Robin Covert, John McAlister, and Brandon Clever. The computer was not operating properly so there was no Zoom connection.

Health and Happiness: This week, there were again no member birthdays or anniversaries. President Brandon brought some representatives from the Boy Scouts local District and from Troop 496, at Cumberland United Methodist Church who are having their charter withdrawn because the Church is questioning the gender diversity of the Boy Scouts. Robin Covert and Brandon Clever asked the Club to consider signing a charter sponsoring the Troop and another Troop of Girl, Boy Scouts. They will attend next week's business meeting to explain the situation.

Club Program: President Brandon introduced Bonnie Dawdy who told the inspirational life story of a woman who had polio and who was bothered by it her whole life and how she coped with the disease. Bonnie noted that the woman she spoke of got polio when she was young and like some polio victims she did not fully recover. She had it her whole life. It affected her legs. But she did not let it get in her way. She raised children, received an architectural degree, and held a variety of jobs growing with each new undertaking. The family moved as their jobs changed but this woman continued her education, worked, and raised her children, living each day. Her husband built a house that was unique for the time, as it met her disability needs. The woman Bonnie talked about was her mother. There were times Bonnie was embarrassed but realized she should be proud of mom.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- Nov 3 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Program. Club Business Mtng.
- Nov 10 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Program. 4-Way Test Essays
- Nov 12 – The Foundation Dinner at the Boars Head Inn in Wilson at 5 PM. Sign-up on DACdb.
- Nov 17 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Program. TBD

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: The 50/50 Raffle this week was won by David Sgro. President Brandon welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked the guests & members for attending, thanked Bonnie Dawdy for her inspirational program and then lead all in the **Four Way Test of the things that we think, say, and do**, before adjourning at 2 PM. Thanks Bonnie for the inspiring message and reminding us of the importance of supporting the fight against Polio. World Polio Day was October 24th.