



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 Brandon Price. This week's meal was Baked Chicken, Rice, and Lima Beans, Mixed Salad with dressings, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: 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. President Brandon had the Club participants in the Methodist University Rotaract Club Career night shuffle stand up and be recognized for their participation. The event was such a success that military members are asking for a similar event for those soon to be leaving the Military.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 20 attending the weekly meeting, 19 members in person, none via Zoom, and 2 guests, John Zhune, and Rhonda Williamson. Rhonda Williamson is the District Four-Way Test Essay Contest Chair. The computer was operating properly but there were no Zoom members present.

Health and Happiness: This week, there were two members with birthdays, D. Sleem on the 11th and Gordon Johnson on the 14th; and one member with an anniversary, David, and Melany Sgro. President Brandon and Secretary Gerome conducted the induction of New Member Chris Nelson who jumped right in and took the automation equipment for our Zoom members. Dave Baggett spoke to the Club about the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program process. He has spoken to the School System Leadership and has their support. He asked for an additional interviewer of applicants. The Club generally sponsors a van load of students each year.

Club Program: President Brandon introduced Rhonda Williamson who introduced the Club to the 4-Way Test Essay Contest the District is sponsoring this Rotary Year. The contest is designed for 6th and 7th graders and focuses on the question of how the Four Way Test can be used to prevent or stop bullying and cyberbullying. To participate the Club must establish an essay committee to communicate with the Schools about the event rules and deadlines, receive the student essays, evaluate the essays. Submit Club winners by March 16, 2023. Early April 2023 the District committee will announce the winners and award the cash prizes. The winner and their school will each receive \$500. Second Place wins \$300. Third place wins \$200. The essays must be typed, double space, in 12-point font, (Arial or Times Roman preferred), 1" margins not to exceed 750 words. A cover full sheet must also accompany the essay. Organize & receive school/teacher support before the Holiday break.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- Nov 17 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Steve Fine, Melanoma Ed.
- Nov 19 – Rotary Leadership Institute Levels I, II, and III, at Jacksonville. Register on DACdb or RLI Web Site.
- Nov 24 – No Rotary Meeting on Thanksgiving.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: The 50/50 Raffle this week, \$25 was won by Carolyn Justice-Hinson. President Brandon welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked the guests & members for attending, thanked Rhonda Williamson for her presentation on The Four-Way-Test Essay Contest and then lead all in the **Four Way Test of the things that we think, say, and do**, before adjourning at 2 PM. Thanks Gerome for all your hard work on the Club Strategic Plan and By Laws. Welcome new member Chris Nelson.