



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

May 5, 2022

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: President Paul Johnson opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:07 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 in a pasta cream sauce, rice, peas and carrots, Mixed Salad, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: This week we have one member with a birthday, Swain Hamlet on 9 May, and no member with an anniversary. Swain joined Rotary when he was 38 and has been a Rotarian for 51 years. Amazingly we do have older Rotarians in the club and members with more years in Rotary. Drew Young took DACdb Engagement Module training this past week with the intent of merging Attendance into the Engagement module at the beginning of May, two months before it will happen automatically, in order to use the synergy offered by the engagement module to help gather the information needed for District and Rotary awards, for the 2021-2022 Rotary Year.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 28 attending the weekly meeting, 22 members in person, 1 via Zoom, and 5 guests in person, Jonathan Powell, our Zoom technician from Quality Sound; guest speaker Dr. Andrew Kren, Meteorologist with NOAA, National Weather Service in Raleigh, NC; Jay Gothard; Lance Lewis; and Josh Richardson, who was a Rotarian in South Carolina before moving to Fayetteville.

Health and Happiness: PDG Dave Baggett spoke to the Club about the Change for Alzheimer Research Trust, CART, Fund, and the research grants given to researchers recently for smaller promising Alzheimer research projects. He also explained how the Club member individual regular donations to CART Fund have made a change over the years and what was distributed this year. Dave gave a CART pin to each Club member present.

Club Program: President Paul introduced Dr. Andrew Kren a NOAA Meteorologist. Dr Kren gave an excellent power point presentation covering how hurricanes are formed, the damage they do, how to prepare and why the Hurricane Category rating system, based on sustained winds, is not the whole picture. Most Hurricane deaths occur from storm surge, flooding, and winds, in that order. Hurricanes come to NC following along the coastline, inland from offshore and up from the gulf coast. Tropical storms hit NC every 2 to 3 years. Lower intensity Hurricanes hit NC every 5 to 7 years and super Hurricane, like Fran, hit NC every 15 to 20 years. With Hurricane season starting June 1, all should be ready now by going to Ready NC to see how to prepare.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- May 12 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Program, Amy Navejas, UWCC
- May 19 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Program, TBD

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: Guest, Lance Lewis won \$26 in the 50/50 Raffle this week. President Paul welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked Dr. Andrew Kren for his presentation, and our guests as well as the membership for attending, and then lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, adjourning the meeting at 2:00 PM. Thanks, Dr Kren, for a very informative presentation, and the Q&A.

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