



# The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

May 6, 2021



## Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

**Welcome:** Club President Stephen McDavid opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:00 PM, welcoming all to the meeting and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Unfortunately, our Zoom connection failed.

**Meeting Prayer and Meal:** The meeting invocation was given by President Steve. Our third meal meeting back at Highland Country Club was beef slices in gravy, mashed potatoes, steamed vegetables and a mixed salad with dressings.

**Rotary Song and Rotary Minute:** There were no birthdays but one wedding anniversary, Ty Ross on 6 May. Treasurer, Joe Running told members that a note with the quarterly dues statements would go out by the next week.

**Attendance & Guests:** There were 20 attending the weekly meeting, 18 members in person not including the 3 via Zoom who could not connect and 2 guests, Hydie from FTM and the Guest Speaker, Bruce Daws, in Person, and 3 guests via zoom, Jim and Bonnie Dawdy, and Monica Williams.

**Health and Happiness:** President Steve, after the meeting invocation, reminded members that the Club Challenge Coins had arrived and were available for \$6.00 each. He then reminded members that a decision as to whether the Fayetteville Rotary Club would oversee the Christmas Parade, or not, needed to be made within the next few weeks. Members needed to express their views and decide if they wished to take on the responsibility of overseeing the parade. He told members that Mr. Mike Nagowski, CEO of Cape Fear Valley Hospital would be next week's program speaker.

**Club Program:** Ed Vaughn introduced our program guest speaker, Manager of the Historic Properties and Curator of the Fayetteville Area Transportation and History Museum. Bruce gave a talk on the History of Fayetteville. Originally settled in about 1736 by Highland Scots from Argyllshire, founded the trading town of Campbellton in 1762. The town of Cross Creek was established in 1765. Together they form Fayetteville, established 1783. The first town named after the Marquis de Lafayette and the only one he visited in his lifetime. It was a prominent port town up the Cape Fear River from Wilmington and the first capital of NC. The first state house sat where the current Market House is located. UNC at Chapel Hill, the first constitutionally chartered Public University, was chartered in that capital building on December 11, 1789 with its corner stone laid in Chapel Hill on October 12, 1793.

## **Future Meetings and Upcoming Event.**

- May 13 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1:00 PM. Program CFVH CEO.
- May 20 – The FRC has scheduled a Linear Park trail walk cleanup meeting & Food Truck for 5 PM.
- May 27 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1:00 PM.

**50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell.** Joe Running was the \$15 winner of the 50/50 Raffle. President Steve thanked Bruce Daws for his presentation, and all others for attending, and lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, adjourning the meeting at 2:00 PM.

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