



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

June 2, 2022

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: 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 Barbeque Ribs, Mac & Cheese, Broccoli, Mixed Salad, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: This week we had no members with a birthday and three with an anniversary, Gerome Banks June 8, and Joe and Maureen Running on 3 June. President Paul reminded members that the 23 June weekly meeting would be held at Rick's Place and the Club's 2022-2023 Rotary Year Officer Installation is tentatively scheduled for the Thursday June 30th Club meeting. President Paul told the membership the Club would hold a Board meeting at Sammios Italian Restaurant on Tuesday 13 June at 6:30 PM. All are welcome.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 25 attending the weekly meeting, 21 members in person, and 4 guests in person, Jonathan Powell, our Zoom technician from Quality Sound; Sarah Davis from Methodist University; Anesu, an intern with Habitat for Humanity; and guest speaker Danny Highsmith with Beasley Broadcasting.

Health and Happiness: Dave Baggett told the membership that Past Rotarian Bobby Byrd passed away on May 24th. Bobby, who was a long-time member of our club had been a Customer Service complaints specialist with the US Postal Service. Dave Baggett introduces Sarah Davis, a rising Senior at Methodist University, who won a Bill Lowdermilk Award that includes some cash and \$4000 in scholarship tuition benefits. She plans to use the money for summer school and fall tuition. She is an Engineering student.

Club Program: President Paul introduced Danny Highsmith who has been Regional Vice-President of the 63 station Beasley Media Group since 2007. Danny began his career Broadcasting in Fayetteville in 1971, at a station bought by Beasley Broadcasting. George Beasley, a High School Principal, in 1951 bought his first radio station and changed his career. Originally a sports broadcaster Danny has always looked for an opportunity to provide color commentary at sports event, his love. He was the broadcaster for Duke University Basketball and Football from 1977 to 1987. He has also been an in-demand public speaker in the community. Danny related a number of enjoyable and humorous stories about himself, referees, coaches, and players. He also had some sage advice for anyone wanting to succeed. "Do what you love and give 100 percent, 100 percent of the time."

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- Jun 9 – The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Program, Methodist U. Buss. Faculty.
- Jun 16 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club & via Zoom at 1 PM. Program, TBD

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: Ron Gunter won \$20 in the 50/50 Raffle this week. President Paul welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked Danny Highsmith 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 Danny for a very engaging and enjoyable talk.

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