



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club **July 14, 2022**

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: President Brandon Price opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:01 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 Pork Loin, Macaroni & Cheese, Lima Beans, Mixed Salad, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: President Brandon reminded members to be working on sponsors for the Golf Tournament. Tim sent an email to all members about how they could obtain a sponsor's digital invoice. President Brandon told the Club that he wanted to have two program meetings and two Club Assembly meetings a month. Several members suggested having only one Club Assembly a month to maintain attendance. The Club Board should be doing the Club's organizational work and use meeting announcements.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 31 attending the weekly meeting, 24 members in person, 1 via Zoom, and 5 guests in person, past Rotarian Vimal Soti and his wife Nina Soti, Tracy Huff, Anesu Mahiya, and guest speaker County Commissioner Glenn Adams.

Health and Happiness: This week we had two members with birthdays, Ty Ross on the 14th and Bill Lambert on the 17th; and two with anniversaries, Tim Richardson on the 19th, and Paul Johnson on the 20th. Secretary Gerome explained that President Brandon wanted to establish a Strategic Planning Committee to plan out the Club Goals for the next several years. He solicited members. He also asked if there was anyone who wanted to take over the Zoom Tech. responsibilities, setting up and taking down the projector, computer, PA, and mic.

Club Program: Past President Paul gave a nice introduction for Glenn Adams at the start of the meeting and President Brandon introduced him as the speaker. Commissioner Adams was elected to Cumberland County Board of Commissioners in 2014 in the District 1 seat, with his current term ending in 2022. He served as the Vice-Chair in 2016 and 2020, and as the Chair in 2017. The county passed a 553-million-dollar budget in June of this year. He talked about the County's strategic goals. There are now 900 foster kids, county wide. The county is looking to tear down the Crown Coliseum and the Theater and rebuild it on the same site or closer to town. They are looking to provide light rail to Raleigh, provide more green space and trails. Gen-X is a big issue in the area. It is more like 10 parts per trillion rather than the 140 parts per trillion originally thought. Providing water county wide is an issue. When it was offered it was turned down by many outlying areas. Now the cost is very high. The county wants to provide a shelter for homeless and more low-income homes. Education is key.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- July 14 The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 PM. Program. Bevin Grice, PWC
- July 21 The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 PM. Lisa Childers, NC

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: Paul Johnson won \$22 in the 50/50 Raffle this week. President Brandon welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked Glenn Adams for his presentation on the county, 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 Commissioner Glenn Adams for an informative talk.