



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club

August 25, 2022



Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: President Brandon Price opened this week's Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) meeting at Highland Country Club at 1:04 PM, welcoming everyone and leading all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: The meeting invocation was given by Ron Gunter. This week's meal was Barbeque Chicken, Potatoes Au gratin, Mixed Vegetables, mixed salad and dressings, and rolls.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: President Brandon thanked Tim for all he did to make the Golf Tournament a success. Tim thanked the membership for all their efforts, said it was one of the top golf events we have had with better weather, more players, 80, and more sponsorships, \$25,600. He reminded all that Brian Drier, and his son Sutton were the overall winners with a 5 under par 64. The French incoming Rotary Exchange student, Leora who arrived on August 17th visited the Club with her hosts the Krieger's.

Attendance & Guests: There were a total of 29 attending the weekly meeting, 23 members in person, and six guests, French Rotary Exchange Student Leora: Kristen Krieg and her daughter Harper Krieg; Bob Theobald; Benji Haire from the District Court and Judge Toni King, Guest Speaker.

Health and Happiness: This week we had no members with a birthday, and two with an anniversary, Drew Young and Steve McDavid, August 29th. Five members of the club helped others package 3,500 meals with United Way before coming to the Club meeting. Gerome continued working through the Survey results. The major topic of discussion was our Club meeting site. There is a group who appears not to like the spot. After much moving and experimenting the club has settled on Highland Country Club. The cost is an issue at \$17 for the location and meal. That is as cheap as you can get a decent meeting venue that can fit our numbers as we grow, with a good lunch. If there is a desire for another place those interested should find it and propose it.

Club Program: President Brandon introduced the Honorable Toni King. Judge King spoke about Human Trafficking. Judge King said that there are over 24 million people sex trafficked world-wide, most are between 13 and 17 years of age, 97% female. NC ranks in the top 10 states in the US behind California and Nevada for Human Trafficking because of its location on I-95, its size, and demographics. The US is one of the top countries for Human Trafficking. Fayetteville prosecutes the most cases in the state. Judge King set up the first and still the only Human Trafficking Court in NC. The court was established in 2019. It is called the Worth Court.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events:

- Sep 1 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm, Program, Club Business.
- Sep 8 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. Jean Hall, Rotary Exchange
- Sep 15 - The FRC will meet at Highland Country Club and via Zoom at 1:00 pm. CART, Rod Funderburk.

50-50 Raffle and Meeting Farewell: Brandon Price won \$23 in the 50/50 Raffle this week. President Brandon welcomed all to the club meeting, thanked guests and membership for attending, thanked Judge Toni King for her presentation, and then lead all in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say, and do**, before adjourning at 2 PM. Thanks Judge King for the informative talk on Human Trafficking.

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