



The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes

The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club
March 5, 2018

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

Welcome: President Andy McBain opened this week's meeting at 6:30 PM, welcoming all to the Fayetteville Rotary Club (FRC) at Scrub Oaks, and lead all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Prayer and Meal: Drew Young gave the meeting/meal blessing. The meal included Shrimp Tacos, seafood and corn chowder, French fries, and mixed salad and dressings.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: The club did not sing a song. Tim Richardson noted that today in 1933 President Franklin D. Roosevelt halted the trading in gold. In 1956 the Supreme Court heard Brown versus the Board of Education. In 1984 the court ruled that cities have the right to display nativity scene.

Attendance & Guests: There were 6 members and 6 guests in attendance at the meeting. The guests were foreign students from Methodist University and included two male and four female students. They are all scholarship students who graduated from worldwide Baccalaureate High Schools. They come from Yemen, Lebanon, and Western Sahara.

Health and Happiness: There were several Happy Bucks given. Andy McBain gave a Happy Buck for the birth of his grandson during the Rotary Meeting. Dave Baggett, Tim Richardson and Drew Young each gave a Happy Buck for the presence of the Methodist University students who were going to speak on Western Sahara, its history and culture, and what has been happening there over the last 42 years.

Club Program: The program for the evening was a presentation by two of the Methodist University students who spoke on the Western Sahara. Hacina Moule Medi spoke about the history and culture of the Western Sahara and life in a refugee camp for the Sahrawi in Algeria. She also spoke of a Nonprofit Organization several Sahrawian women college graduates started to help poorer refugees. Alamed spoke about the international politics of Western Sahara, the Algerian refugee camp and desert wall.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Event

- March 6 – Fayetteville Rotary Club Board Meeting at Sherife Restaurant.
- March 12 - Fayetteville Rotary Club will meet at Scrub Oaks Restaurant. Report on Puerto Rico trip.
- March 19 - Fayetteville Rotary Club will meet at Scrub Oaks Restaurant.
- April 9 – Fayetteville Rotary Club Lowdermilk Awards Night at Methodist University

50-50 Raffle - This week, Dave Baggett's ticket was drawn but Dave did not draw the queen of spades from the deck. The pot has more than \$362.00. Andy lead the FRC in the **Four Way Test, of the things that we think, say and do**, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.