

The Fayetteville Rotary Spokes



The Weekly Newsletter of the Fayetteville Rotary Club January 9, 2016

Fayetteville Rotary Club Meeting

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

Dinner Prayer: Drew Young gave the meeting/meal blessing. The dinner was chicken cordon bleu, broccoli, red pepper soup, mixed salad with dressings, and peach cobbler. The meal was very good.

Rotary Song and Rotary Minute: Tim Richardson recognized today, 9 January in 1493 as the day Christopher Columbus claims to have seen a mermaid. It was a manatee. In 1952 Jackie Robinson was the highest paid baseball player for the Brooklyn Dodgers. In 2007 the first Iphone was introduced.

Attendance & Guests: There were 12 members and 5 guests, present for the meeting. One guest was a visiting Rotarian Jay Bradshaw while the remaining guests came to hear Dr. Chaudhuri's presentation.

Health and Happiness: There were several Happy Bucks. Tim Richardson gave a Happy Buck for the new year and his evening at the Pinehurst Inn. Magda Baggett gave a Happy Buck for the New Year. And, Drew Young gave a Happy Buck for making it another year as it was his Birthday on Monday. The Cart Bucket was passed around

Club Program: Dave Baggett introduced the program for the meeting and its Speaker Dr. Debi Chaudhuri. The program was in two parts, the Budget for the Rotary Year and the Rotary Christmas Parade After Action. Joe Running presented the Club Budget explaining that we were going to have to reduce our donations and increase our Club Dues to cover the meal, Rotary International and District Dues and basic Club Expenses without using money raised during fundraisers. The Club also agreed to look at naming our High School merit scholarships after Ed Deavers. Matt Smith discussed member participation required for the parade, the changes to Parade Organization needed for the parade to be viable, and how City appears to be changing the rules.

Future Meetings and Upcoming Events

Jan 16 – FRC meeting is cancelled because of the Martin Luther King Jr. National Holiday.

- Jan 23 FRC meeting at Scrub Oaks. Joe Running will talk about stamps and Rotary
- Jan 30 FRC meeting at Scrub Oaks. Jamie Pendergrast will speak about John Maxwell
- Feb 19 RAD competition at Methodist University.

50-50 Raffle – This week Joe Running's raffle ticket was again drawn, but Joe did not draw the winning card from the deck. The pot has risen to above 172 dollars. President Joe 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.