

August 2, 2021

Meeting Minutes

President Shanda Vaughn rang the bell and called the meeting to order. **Kevin Grogan** gave the pledge and invocation. **Gould Hagler** gave the Sunshine Report today. Club members introduced their guests in attendance today.

Announcements

President Shanda shared the upcoming meeting schedule which includes;

- 8/9/21 - Ft Gordon Update COL Shaw Pick
- 8/16/21 - College Football Kick-Off
- 8/23/21 - United Way Kick-Off
- 8/30/21 - AU Pediatric Oncology Dr. Theodore Johnson
- 9/6/21 - No Meeting-Labor Day
- 9/13/21 - Rotary Foundation Hamsa Thota

Rotarian Highlight

None presented today.

President Shanda asked everyone to please continue to contribute to the blue buckets on the table or online at mycartfund.org using the same login credentials you use with DACDB.

SAVE THE DATES

- She also asked everyone to save the following dates for future Club events;
- GreenJackets Game-Friday, September 10, 2021 (game time is 7:05 pm \$25 per ticket)
- Top Golf- Monday, October 18, 2021 (11-2)
- Veterans Day Program- Monday, November 8, 2021(12:15-1:15)
- Rotary Family Christmas-Monday, December 20, 2021(12:15-1:15)
- Signature Fundraiser-Monday, February 14, 2022 TBD
- Annual Golf Tournament-Tuesday, May 3, 2022 TBD

New Member Orientation

- Tuesday, October 19, 2021 (4:30-5:30)
- Tuesday, January 18, 2021 (4:30-5:30)
- Tuesday, April 19, 2021 (4:30-5:30)

Committee Updates

No committee updates, however, President Shanda reported that information for prospective new members was on the table and anyone wanting to propose a new member to the club should complete the form and turn it in.

Also, she reminded the members to follow the club on social media.

Veterans Day Celebration

The celebration will be held on 11/8/2021. If you are a veteran or someone in your immediately family is a veteran or currently serving in the military, please email President Shanda at vaughnshanda@gmail.com with your branch of service, rank and years of service.

Paul Harris Fellow Presentation

President Shanda has pins for club members and will present them as soon as possible.

Guest Speaker/Program

James Heffner introduced our guest speaker, **Mr. Steve Chalker**, Director of Operations with the Burn Foundation of America (f/k/a Southeastern Firefighters Burn Foundation).

The Foundation was formed in 1988 by Dr. Joseph M. Still to support burn patients and their families. The Foundation partners with the JM Still Burn Center and provides lodging, meals, and transportation to patients in the burn center and their families.

The Chavis House at Shirley Badke Retreat is located on the campus of Doctors Hospital just a few steps from the Burn Center and has the capacity to house up to 40 guests per night. Since 2019, the Burn Foundation has served over 2,400 patients and families, provided 1,617 guests with free lodging totaling 7,986 nights. In addition, the Foundation has provided over 1,000 patients with transitional services.

The Foundation has partnered with 53 church and community partners to provide 14,500 meals in 2020. Individuals and businesses partner with the Foundation to support its activities. Locally, Jersey Mikes has raised over \$40,000 and the employees of Jefferson Electric Cooperative have been strong supporters.

In total, the Foundation raised a little more than \$1 million through donations, fundraisers, and grants. Mr. Chalker also encouraged everyone to purchase a "Thank a Lineman" license plate from the local DMV which directly benefits the Foundation.

Before closing, Mr. Chalker shared a story of one of the patients in the Burn Center and invited all of us to take a tour of the facility to learn more about the great work they are doing.

The speaker for next week will be Colonel Shaw Pick who will update us on the activities at Fort Gordon.

President Shanda led us in reciting the four-way test and then adjourned the meeting.