

Centennial Up-dates to Drumright Rotary

May 25, 2012

At Friday's Drumright Rotary Club meeting, Rotarian, Cleta Cobble, introduced her guest, Danny Cooper. Danny is currently Acting City Manager and a City Commissioner for the City of Drumright. He up-dated our club about several of the new enhancements in Drumright because of Drumright's current year long Centennial Celebration.



Danny Cooper and Cleta Cobble

First, a new 104 ft flag pole has been erected in the newly dedicated Cleo Hutchinson Memorial Centennial Park, north of the Catholic Church.

The pole is fourteen inches in diameter and will fly a thirty foot by fifty foot American Flag. Those dimensions are approximately the size of the Drumright Gym floor. The flag weighs eighty pounds and was flown briefly after the Alumni Parade on Saturday, May 26, 2012. The flag will be flown permanently after the eighteen yards of concrete, which was poured to stabilize the flag pole, has had the full twenty-eight days of curing time. Lights will be added to illuminate Old Glory as well.

The land to create the new Centennial Park was donated by Cleo Hutchinson's daughters, Sandy Perry and Janie Nichols. Danny mentioned that several donations came in to make this exhibit possible. "Even businesses from Cushing got involved as well", said Danny

From the new Centennial Park, the recent chain saw sculpture, of the Oilfield Worker on Broadway, can be seen. A plaque and flower bed has been placed at the base of the sculpture as well.

Other additions, due to the Centennial, are three new murals in Drumright. This brings Drumright's total mural count to sixteen.

In the past few years, several improvements have been made in Drumright. These improvements include: new schools have been built, a new hospital and several renovations along Broadway. In the next year, Danny advised, that work on the new waste water treatment plant would commence. This new plant is made possible by a recent two-million dollar grant.

Danny finished by reminding us that "People here are generous. There is always something to do to get involved."

Thank you, Danny, for taking the time to visit Drumright Rotary Club.

Our other guests were Jo Smith, wife of Rotarian and Pastor Gary Smith, and Anita Cooper, Danny's wife.

Please join us at Friday's meeting hosted by Rotarian, Gary Smith.

If you would like more information about Drumright Rotary Club, please contact us on our FaceBook page, Drumright Rotary Club, or go to our website www.wix.com/drumrightrotary/drumrightrotary.

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