CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test— July

Charlie Hansen 8/12 Charlie Hansen 8/19 Karen Poteat Karen Poteat

August Greeters-

Jerry Hughson & Lee Boylston

| Guest- Susan Rideout Jim O'Bryant Dick Dewar Ed Woltz | Guest Of Stuart Bedenbaugh |
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| Beverly Willis Russ Cobel Jim Pirchner Frank Sawyer Brad Crain O'Brion Jeter | Mike Willis Larry Wittenmyer Jerry Hughson Grant Wiseman Sunrise Rotary Jamie Mothkovich |
| Marilyn Diez Dianne Drake | Sierra Madri Rotary St. Augustine Rotary |



The ability to read is the cornerstone on which a successful education is built! Sign up today to be a Rotary Reader!!!

Margarita Make-Ups

The Willcox 5:15 pm - 6:15pm 7/31, 8/28, 9/25, 10/30, 11/27, 1/29, 2/25, 3/25, 4/29, 5/27

Last Wednesday of each month Remember to turn-in your Make-up to the Sergeant-at-Arms You don't need a make-up!! Just come spend time with fellow Rotarians

Weekly Witticism

"Never argue with an idiot. They will drag you down to their level and beat you with experience."

Mark Twain

Rotary Club of Aiken PO Box 685 **Aiken. SC 29802** (803) 508-4744 Monday, 12:30 PM **Newberry Hall** 117 Newberry Street, SW

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Richard Holley

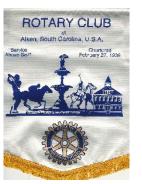
Betty Ryberg **Chrissa Matthews** Jon Notestein (RY 20-21) Al Sorensen Karen Poteat John Dangler (RY 21-22) Jerry Hughson Gil Allensworth

Sergeants-at-Arms

Liz Stewart

Chair: Richard Holley **Robert Stack** Rachel d' Entremont John Rush Josh Booth

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PROGRAM LAST WEEK by Rev. Bob Byrne



Following a laudatory introduction from Council person Lessie Price, Mayor Rick Osborn gave the Rotarians and guests in attendance an update on the many projects and activities in the city. He was reporting as a mayor who seeks to build consensus and works towards a team effort with the council and other leaders, many of whom were in attendance as quests of Rotary. Using the model espoused by Jim Collins in his book Good to Great Mayor Osborn stated a theme of looking for opportunities rather than focusing on problems to conduct the city's business. The outcome of such a philosophy is a continuous striving for improvement to be the best community Aiken is and may yet become. The city leaders seek to bring continuous growth that enhances rather than detracts from Aikens historic character. Each city department is run to contribute to excellence as separate "enterprise zones"

entities that must stand on their own merits and funding. The total city budget of \$59 million with a general budget of \$29 million reflects this approach

Current items noted by the mayor included work to update both storm and sanitary sewer systems based upon priorities established through a survey of their current condition, a \$150 to \$200 million dollar project; a cooperative venture with Dominion Energy to bury electric lines and preserve and protect the trees along Iconic South Boundry and other similar areas: ongoing improvements to Teague park and other areas of the parkways beginning with Park Avenue; and future road improvements to deal with congestion on Whiskey Road South. Among current accomplishments the Mayor noted the Lessie Price Center for both youth and seniors, the on time and under budget completion of the new Aiken Public Safety Headquarters: and

the reestablishemnt of a mounted unit within Public Safety. Also of interest was an update on city plans to consolidate facilities perhaps by the purchase of the Regions Bank Building and the status of redevelopment of the old County building and property.

PROGRAM TODAY

ROTARY READERS

FUTURE PROGRAMS

AUGUST THEME: MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

AUGUST 12 CONVENTION OVERVIEW
(MUNNS & LINDSAY)
AUGUST 19 DAVE TAVERNIER
(AIKEN HISTORY)
AUGUST 26 CONGRESSMAN JOE WILSON

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Bruce Cousins 08/10/15
Jennifer Hart 08/08/11
Charle Hartz 08/10/15
Grant Wiseman 08/10/09

BIRTHDAYS

Mary Allen 08 August





BARBARA PRICE
Classification:
Architect
Date of Induction: 01/08/2018



Lessie Price
Classification:
Human Resources
Date of Induction 09/08/2014





Collected at the July 29th meeting \$86.50

\$10,000
Please remember to drop your spare change in the CART bucket on your table

If you would like to donate items to be auctioned off, please see Tara Reeder Thank you for your support!



Collected at the July 29th meeting \$90.00

Do not forget to purchase your ticket for the 50/50 scholarship raffle

