

# COBB COUNTY RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

June 21, 2010

The monthly meeting of the Cobb County Retired Employees Association was held on Monday, June 21, 2010 at the West Cobb Senior Center with 65 members in attendance. Co-President Roswell Story called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.

Invocation was given by Bobby Alexander followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

New members welcomed were Lew Alder, Sonja Hines, Dennis Jones, Pam Jones, Elane Jones, Bill Roberts and Ron Volkmann.

President Story reported the following who are sick or having surgery: Harry Ingram, Becky Williams (surgery), Teresa Nolen (surgery), Carol Grainger's daughter Erica and Sgt. Mike Crider (injured police officer).

**PROGRAM:** Jack Mallard, former Assistant DA for Cobb and Fulton Counties (now retired), was a very interesting speaker. Mr. Mallard's book *Atlanta Child Murders* is a first hand account by the lead prosecutor in the most sensational and historical case of this state - the case of the famous 28 child murders in Atlanta which took place from July 1979 until May 1981. Wayne Williams was arrested and tried for the murders of two of the adult victims after he was linked to the body of one of the victims who was thrown into the Chattahoochee River as an undercover agent was posted at the river. It was the first time fiber and hair evidence were used in a trial to the extent it was used. Fiber from carpet in the Williams home and hair from the dog owned by Williams were linked to the 2 victims. Two hundred forty witnesses, of which 60 were defense witnesses, took the stand during the trial. Williams took the stand for 3 days. After 9 weeks of trial and 10 hours deliberation the jury found Wayne Williams guilty of the 2 murders. Two life sentences were imposed. After 25 years of appeals, all of which upheld the conviction, Williams remains in prison. The murders of the children ceased after the arrest of Wayne Williams. CNN presented a documentary on the case recently.

Mr. Mallard wrote the book to correct the record by giving an accurate account of the trial. He used the actual records from the trial. The book is available for purchase.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report was given by Judy Clark. We have \$3751.91 in the treasury. Motion was made by Stuart Witham with a second to accept the report. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion was made by David Hilton with a second to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2010 meeting with the corrected spelling of new members last names LaRue and Moy. Motion carried.

**NAME BADGES:** If you have not ordered a name badge or have not received your badge, please see Lynda Edwards.

**Website:** [www.ccrea.us](http://www.ccrea.us)

**INSURANCE:** President Story requested anyone who might hear anything concerning our health insurance to please contact him.

**DUES:** If you haven't paid your dues, please contact Judy Clark, Treasurer.

**NEXT MEETING:** July 19, 2010 is the next meeting to be held at 10:30 A.M. at the West Cobb Senior Center, Dallas Highway. Program will be presented by Johnnie Gabriel of Gabriel's Restaurant.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Martha Watson, Secretary