

# COBB COUNTY RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

March 19, 2012

The monthly meeting of the Cobb County Retired Employees Association was held on Monday, March 19, 2012 at the West Cobb Senior Center. There were 41 members and guests present. Co-President Roswell Story called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.

Invocation was given by Danny Padgett followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

New member Mark Bishop was introduced. President Story welcomed Mike Cosper home and thanked him for his recent service in Afghanistan.

The following are on the current list of members suffering illness: Walter Cates, Jerry Weaver, Rhotha and Ralph Wheeler, Harry Ingram, Carolyn Landers, David McWhorter, Kendall Nixon, Bob Hightower, Lynn and Arletta Martin, Doris Cassidy and Joe Looper.

**PROGRAM:** Joe Kirby of *The Marietta Daily Journal* and author of the book *The Lockheed Plant* was guest speaker. Mr. Kirby gave a slide presentation showing a pictorial view of the 60 years history of the Lockheed plant in Marietta. When built it was the largest manufacturing plant south of the Mason-Dixon Line. He spoke of the 28,000 employees who built the first B29 and B52 Bombers in the plant during WWII. Following the war, the plant closed and there were only 79 workers remaining. The plant was then used as a storage facility.

During the Korean War the plant re-opened to recondition the B29s. Employees numbered 4000. Jimmy Carmichael was plant manager.

The first C130 Hercules rolled out in 1954 and the 200<sup>th</sup> C130 (C130J model) rolled out in 2010. Currently the F35 is partially being built at the plant. Over the history of the plant the C141 Starlifter, the C5 Galaxy, the Jet Star, P3 Orion, the X4 Hummingbird, the XB70 and F22 Rapture were built.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Judy Clark reported a balance of \$6242.16 as of February 29, 2012. Motion was made by David Stone with a second to accept the report. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of February 20, 2012 were printed and presented. Motion was made by Lynda Edwards with a second to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**DUES:** President Story reminded everyone that dues are \$24 annually and are due. He also requested anyone who has a phone number change to please notify Judy Clark of the change so our callers will have an updated list of members' numbers. Checks may be mailed to Judy Clark, Treasurer, 4127 Richardson Farm Drive, Kennesaw, Georgia 30152.

**NEXT MEETING:** Congressman Phil Gingrey will speak at our April meeting to be held at 10:30 am on April 16, 2012.

Danny Padgett stated that he posts notices of meetings on Facebook. He encouraged everyone to log into [www.facebook.com/ccrea.us](http://www.facebook.com/ccrea.us) and click on the "Like" button. This will give you access to information posted about our organization.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

Martha Watson, Secretary