

WELCOME, VISITORS

Today we have made a special effort to invite certain persons to our meeting who we believe would be good members of the Downtown Florence Kiwanis Club. If you are one of those special guests, we want to welcome you and urge to consider whether a commitment to the work of the Kiwanis Club would be a good step for you.

We believe good citizens should work to improve the community, but we also try to do it in an enjoyable way. Our Kiwanis friendships, some of which have existed for decades, are among the most lasting kind, because they are based on a mutual understanding of our reasons for belonging to this group. Perhaps this edition of our club newsletter will give you a little more information about what we do.

Robert Hughes, President

RECENT PROGRAMS

Coach Hudspeth got us all excited about the coming year in UNA football at our meeting on June 23. He expects big things from several key players, including Anthony Merritt, who he expects to be drafted in the first 4 rounds and he says they have the best wide outs in the country. Also that day, we gave \$750 to help local kids go to the Salvation Army summer camp.



On June 16, Mayor Irons gave us an update about activities and new construction in the city. He says the employment figure is much improved and he hopes some people who have had to move away to find a job will be coming back.



Nancy Samford reported to us about the Florence Lauderdale Public Library on July 14. She said they plan to be open longer hours and to increase the items on hand from about 92,000 to 150,000, including books which can be downloaded to mp3 players. At that meeting we also gave \$750 to Big Brothers Big Sisters and \$250 to Rape Response.

Our June 2 meeting was a travelogue slideshow of our own Floyd Sherrod's safari to the Serengeti. Floyd was cruising the canals of western France last week..

The following week Dr. Howard Gamble gave an interesting presentation of the history of technology in dentistry. Is your dentist taking digital x-rays?



CLUB MEMBER NEWS

Robert & Mattie Hughes just celebrated their 48th anniversary. David Beasley had a birthday and while he can now draw a check from Sylvester's outfit, he's going to hold out for a bigger check. Speaking of birthdays, Spencer White is going to have a sleep over for his 8th birthday, but he is insisting that Winnie the Pooh come off the walls first. My, my, don't they grow up fast.

A girl will be joining big brother at Bill Gullett's house. Mike Broder is proud of Switzerland for staying in the World Cup as long as they did.

Sally Akin's daughter and two granddaughters visited her from Florida and this time they were not running from a hurricane.
