

GEAR POST

Waynesboro
Rotary Club
5780

February 2020

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Norm Anderson



Ray Quillen



Walt Hendriks

We have lost three long time members of our club this month: Norm Anderson, who joined in 1957, passed away on February 13th. Ray Quillen, who joined in 1958, passed away on February 18th and Walt Hendriks, who joined in 1994, passed away on February 21st. All of them were active in Rotary and in the local community. Our sympathy goes out to their families, especially to Kirk and Tim Quillen, Ray's sons, who are members of our club.

January 30



Soccer Organization Charlottesville Area (SOCA)

Mark Yurish was introduced by Anne Hudlow. Mark got involved with soccer for the first time as a father of 3. Now he serves as the Program Director for SOCA that serves over 900 kids in the Augusta region who play on a variety of teams depending on their age and skill. Programs include travel teams for serious older players and recreation teams for children where the emphasis is on having fun and learning sportsmanship. Plans are in the works to develop a soccer complex here in Waynesboro at Basic Park.

February 6



Linda Revis and A.J. Young

Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival

Frank Carey introduced two representatives from the local Poor People's Campaign. Linda Revis explained how the nonpartisan campaign is a revival of Rev. Martin Luther King's 1968 efforts to take a moral stand against poverty by bringing people together to fight for living wages, affordable housing, health care, and a safe environment. A.J. Young reminded us that over 140 million people in the US live in poverty and we should reconsider how our resources are allocated. A local project is the creation of "Pop Up Pantries" to bring food to people with limited transportation.

February 13

Staunton 2020

Lindsey Walsh wants to see more public art in Staunton – 20 works beginning in the year 2020. In her talk, Lindsey



Lindsay chats with Jim Porter while Lynn Harris waits a turn

emphasized why public art makes for better communities. Not only does it add beauty and interest to shared spaces, but it can bring people together in new ways and even make public areas safer. She showed examples of city murals and talked about Staunton’s well-known watering can. Lindsey is working to raise \$60,000 from private donors, companies and community organizations as well as grants. A “Community Listening Session” will be held Feb 29th from 10-11 at the Staunton Public Library.

February 20



Planning for Waynesboro

Luke Juday, who works for the city as Director of Planning, began his presentation by talking about the advantages of living in cities such as shared resources and sociability. But then he went on to describe the challenges of reaching consensus and how important it is to develop a shared vision to guide decision making for the public good. Everyone was especially interested in hearing about some of the projects in the works such as bike tails for Sunset Park, the Greenway extension, improvements to East Main Street and changes to the Brite bus system. City Manager Mike Hamp joined his wife and club member Lora for lunch.



New Member: Jim Porter

Welcome to Jim Porter proposed by Dick Clark. Jim is the Operations Manager for the University of Science and Philosophy (USP) which recently relocated from Swananoah to a downtown location. He is a 1977 graduate of the USP and lived and worked on Afton for several years. He still owns, and helps run, a maintenance and cleaning company in Chester County PA. He has also worked in real estate sales. Jim and his wife Jacquelyn are currently looking for a permanent home in the Waynesboro area.

Notes from the Board

The board approved a donation of \$300 for Boys State. Bill Watkins is chairing a committee to explore different membership types. Members include Maggie Vanhuss, Brett Hayes, Hillary Quesenberry and Andy Matherly.

Proposed Member

Nominee: Elise Walsh

Employed By: Blue Ridge Community College

Classification: Education/Support Staff

Proposed By: Dick Clark

If there are no objections submitted, in writing, to the Board within ten (10) days of this notice, this individual shall be duly qualified for membership