



# Kiwanis®

## Fort Oglethorpe

The Fort Oglethorpe Kiwanis met on February 14 at Park Place Restaurant with 10 members and 3 guests present and Chris presiding.

Speaker was Jimmy Spurling, Catoosa County lead deputy coroner. He's a lifelong resident of North Georgia and was a Chattanooga firefighter for 26 years. He received his Christian counseling degree from Covington Theological Seminary and is a certified grief recovery specialist and is experienced in critical incident stress management. He and his wife Vickie have one married daughter and a grandson.

Spurling spoke about the coroner's office and paid particular attention to the opioid crisis and suicide. Over the past seven years 44 million opioid pills have been subscribed in Catoosa and Walker County. 3 million people are addicted to opioids and he demonstrated with a single packet of sugar that the same amount of fentanyl could kill 500 people.

Thanks to Chris for reporting.

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