

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN
Kiwanis Meeting
August 23, 2011

With Vice President Jim Daughtry presiding, Chip Durden led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dess Smith gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening were Cheryl Goodman and Bobbie Daughtry.

John Black, with assistance from Gary Couse, gave the abbreviated sports report. The Braves are in second place behind the Phillies in their Division, even after winning seven of their last eight games. The NL East and the AL East have the four best teams in the major leagues (the Phillies, Braves, Red Sox, and Yankees). Football has started but won't be in full swing for a little while. Swainsboro is ranked #6 in the CSRA and will play ECI this Friday night in Twin City. Oklahoma is #1 in the AP College poll followed by Alabama, with South Carolina at #12 and Georgia at #19. In NASCAR, Kyle Busch won the race in Michigan. Kyle Busch is at the top of the Sprint Cup standings, followed by Jimmie Johnson, Kevin Harvick and Carl Edwards (tied for third), and Matt Kenseth. In Golf, Webb Simpson won at Greensboro for his first PGA win, while Freddie Couples won the Senior Players Championship for his first senior major.

Judge Charles Brewer suspended court for the evening.

Jim Daughtry, Tim Goodman, and David Bartram are headed to the District Convention in Savannah on August 26-28.

The program for the evening was given by John Blackburn. John talked about how the federal government began in this country with the aim of doing what was best to make the young nation strong and how this had changed. He characterized current lawmakers as self-serving and not willing to come up with solutions to our problems but were more interested in placing the blame on someone else. This resulted in a lively discussion on social security, balanced budgets, taxes, and entitlement

programs. We all agree it is broken and needs fixing, we just cannot agree on how.

The carrot cake, provided by John Blackburn, brought \$21 and was won by David Bartram. Roger Peebles won the Domino's Pizza, donated by Chris Cann. The meals were won by Jim Daughtry and John Black.

The Purpose of Kiwanis: Kiwanis was created by a professional organizer named Allen Simpson Browne. His concept for the new organization included the exchange of business among the members. However, the Detroit club had been organized only a few weeks when the members became involved in their first service project. During the next five years, Kiwanians would debate the basic purpose of the organization: mutual business exchange or community service. Happily, we chose community service with a focus on children.

KIWANIS REMINDER

August 30	Regular Program	Program: John Black Cake: David Bartram
September 6	Regular Program	Prog: Raymond Hendrix Cake: John Black
September 13	Regular Program	Prog: John Blackburn Cake: L.H. Weise
September 20	Regular Program	Program: Roger Peebles Cake: Roger Peebles
September 27	Installation Ceremony	

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