

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN
January 31, 2017
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With President Gary Couse presiding, Bobby Seamans lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Roger Peebles gave the blessing. We had 22 members in attendance. Our quests for the evening were Tammie Lanier, Tim Wood, and Linda Whitfield, an interclub from the Metter Kiwanis Club.

Mary Ellen Smith gave us our sports report. In the NFL, the AFC Champion Patriots will play the NFC Champion Falcons in the Super Bowl in Houston this coming Sunday, February 5. The Hawks are back on their winning ways after defeating the Knicks 142-139. The Westminster Dog Show was won a German Shorthaired Pointer named CJ. Local sports reporter Frank Patrick gave us an update on the won-loss record of the local high schools. The Swainsboro High School girls are 15-6, leading the conference, and the SHS boys are 13-9. The Emanuel County Institute teams are not doing as well, with the ECI boys at 7-11 and the ECI girls at 2-16.

Judge Jim Daughtry fined Dess Smith for aiding and abetting Chip Durden. He fined Sarah Fraticelli for being just a little late. Sarah chose to defend herself in court and the fine was reduced. Tim Goodman gave a Good News \$1 for his grandson Jack's 1st birthday and also a \$1 for his other grandparents getting safely out of their house as it burned to the ground last Saturday morning.

Announcements: Mid-Winter Training is on February 11 in Macon. The Club will not have a meeting on the evening of April 4 so everyone can go to the Governor's Rally in Vidalia. We will be pruning grapes at LH's on Saturday, February 4, at 9:00 am. Linda Lamb reminded everyone to sign up as an official greeter at the meetings and for the February 14 Valentines Spouse's Night.

The program for the evening was hosted by Chip Durden. In Chip's absence, Delaine Maglioli introduced our own Dess Smith, who gave us a program on the Sons of the American

Revolution (SAR). Dess is the Registrar for the Briar Cheek Chapter and Wiregrass Chapter of SAR. Nationally SAR has 35,000 members in 1,500 chapters, spread out over 15 districts. Georgia has 1,860 members in 33 chapters, with the local Wiregrass Chapter having 52 members. Since Dess is one of the 7 uniformed members of Wiregrass, he talked about his clothing and how it is used for memorial and flag ceremonies. He showed us pictures of the ceremonies at historic Revolutionary War sites locations like Kettle Creek, Briar Creek, the Fort Augusta site (St. Paul's Church), and at Cowpens in South Carolina. He also showed us his musket and pictures of the cannons used for ceremonies. The local chapter supports patriotic poster and essay contests in the local school system, along with the ceremonies and parades. They also attend re-enactments of Revolutionary War battles. Dess indicated the battle at Cowpens was one of the most impressive re-enactments.



The coconut cake, donated and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$40 and was won by Sarah Fraticelli. The Domino's pizza, donated by Chris Cann, was won by Cheryl Goodman. The meals were won by Kay Peacock and Linda Lamb.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

February 7	Regular Meeting	Prog: Pete Sutherland Cake: Travis Garrett
February 14	Spouse's Night	Prog: Ginny Smith Cake: Petite Garrett
February 21	Regular Meeting	Prog: Dess Smith Cake: Betty Coleman
February 28	Regular Meeting	Prog: To Be Assigned Cake: Chip Durden

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