

## ***THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN*** ***January 7, 2020***

With President Petite Garrett presiding, Cheryl Goodman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Ginny Smith gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening were Breana Librizzi, Robert Driggers, and Terry Reynolds. We had 20 members present.

Judge Jim Daughtry could find no one to fine for getting their picture in the paper, so he decided to fine Dess Smith for just being Dess and for pleading the 5<sup>th</sup> when confronted with the evidence that he was Dess. January birthdays include Roger Peebles, Mary Ellen Smith, and Dwight Watt.

Gary Couse gave a sports report. The NBA Atlanta Hawks are 8 and 28, waiting for next year. NCAA Basketball is well under way, with UGA sitting at 10 and 3. NCAA Football now has only one bowl game left, with undefeated LSU playing undefeated Clemson in the national championship on January 13. #5 UGA defeated Baylor 26-14 in the Sugar Bowl. In the NFL the playoffs have begun with the Texans, Vikings, Seahawks, and Titans all winning their Wildcard match-ups. Locally both the SHS boys and SHS girls lost to Statesboro. Both the ECI boys and girls team lost to Jenkins County. Today is National Bobblehead Day.

Tim Goodman gave a Good News \$1 for a successful Resolution Run and President Petite gave a \$1 for her son Ben's birthday.

**Announcements** – Dianna Wedincamp took a 7-car convoy to Tattnall County on December 21 to pick up surplus toys from the Tattnall Kiwanis Club. She thanked all the Kiwanians who helped and indicated a lot of Emanuel County children were happy and more “stuff” will be distributed. Tim Goodman thanked all Kiwanians who helped with the Resolution Run on January 1 at EGSC. He singled-out Dess and Mary Ellen Smith for their recruitment of sponsors, Cheryl Goodman for t-shirt design, and those who brought door prizes. President Petite announced we would participate in “Kiwanis Read Across Georgia Day” on January 21. Sign up if you can help. She also announced the Division 17 Council Meeting and Governor’s Rally on January 31 in Collins. We also have Mid-Year Training in Henry County on March 7. Sign up for both events if you are interested in attending.

The program for the evening was hosted by Pepper Fields, who introduced Pastors Robert Driggers and Terry Reynolds of the Wounded Warrior Retreat, Inc. The Retreat has hosted hundreds of wounded warriors and their families and guests at various hunting and fishing events around South Georgia in the past 10 years. The group ministers to those in need who have returned from combat and experiencing physical, psychological, and spiritual wounds. They do this with counseling of the warriors and their family and providing a time and place for rest and relaxation to revitalize their spirit, relying on volunteers to minister and mentor by providing encouragement and support. Robert and Terry listed some of the bird shoots and turkey and deer hunts they have held, along with their family fishing days. They are financially supported with grants and fund-raisers including one at Beaver Creek Plantation in Twin City.



The lime pound cake, donated by Ginny Smith and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$46 and was won by Jane Durden. The Domino’s pizza was won by Briana Librizzi. The meals were won by Tammy Allen and Robert Driggers.

### **KIWANIS REMINDERS**

January 14	Regular Program	Host: Dess Smith Cake: Mary Ellen Smith
January 16	Board Meeting	Host: Deana Patrick
January 21	Regular Program	Host: Cheryl Goodman Cake: Windy Ward
January 21	Kiwanis Read Across Georgia Day	
January 28	Regular Program	Host: Ginny Smith Cake: Cindy Ware
January 31	Division 17 Council Meeting and Governor’s Rally in Collins, GA	
February 4	Regular Program	Host: Tim Goodman Cake: Joe Ware

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