

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

October 17, 2023

With President-Elect Gary Couse presiding in the absence of President Cheryl Goodman, Jim Daughtry led the Pledge of Allegiance and Travis Garrett gave the blessing. We had 18 members present. Our guests for the evening were Shari Watt and Joelle Romanchik-Cerpovicz.

Judge Jim Daughtry could find no one to fine and suspended court for the evening.

Tim Goodman gave an update on the Trunk or Treat at the Franklin Memorial Library on October 13th. He thanked the 5 Kiwanians who helped. They had 471 children/parents who were present at the Library for the event. Lots of candy was given out with much fellowship.

Tim also reminded us about three upcoming events in October and November. The annual Fall Festival in downtown Swainsboro will be on October 24 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. We will meet at the Boneyard at 3:00 pm to begin to make cotton candy and popcorn. There is another Trunk or Treat at the 4H Varner Center on October 31, starting at 4:00 pm. We will be timing the Cotton Blossom Festival 5K on November 4 in Twin City. The run begins at 9:00 am, so we will need to be there at 8:30 am. Sign-up sheets for the events were circulated.

Tim Goodman introduced Shari Watt, our program for the evening. Shari is involved in many things in the community, and she focused her presentation on two of them, the Keep Emanuel County Beautiful campaign and the local Humane Society. She announced we would have a Tire Amnesty Day on November 18 from 8:00 am-3:00 pm in which people can drop off tires at the landfill free of charge. They continue to encourage citizens to not throw out trash and to pick up trash. They are trying to get small groups together to adopt an area to keep clean, but no organized assignment of target areas has been made and one community clean-up is scheduled for this year. The recycling center has not gotten off the ground. Signs have been placed over the county to promote trash clean up.

Shari indicated we have a cat/dog problem in Emanuel County. The Humane Society is promoting spaying and neutering and is hoping to get a lower cost for citizens to get their pet fixed. Currently the Humane Society is only dealing with dogs and the shelter is full. The Forest-Blade devotes one full page to the dog adoption program, but last month 55 dogs had to be euthanized. This Thursday, October 19, Emanuel County Live will videotape a program to show the inside of the shelter. She noted that taking cats and dogs to neighboring counties is against the law.



The Triple-Chocolate cake and the Snickerdoodle cake, donated by Tim Goodman, were won by Tim Goodman and David Gribbin. Wanda Ellis won the Domino's pizza.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

- October 24 - Fall Festival – 5:00-7:00 pm – Downtown
Kiwanis begins popcorn and cotton candy at 3:00 pm
- October 31 - 4H Trunk or Treat – 4:00-6:00 pm
- November 4 – Cotton Festival 5K Timing – Twin City – 8:30am
- November 7 – Regular Meeting
- November 21 – Regular Meeting
- November 21 – Board Meeting

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