

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

Kiwanis Meeting

November 9, 2010

With Vice President Jim Daughtry presiding, Gary Couse led the Pledge of Allegiance and Roger Peebles gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening were Marilyn Couse, and Beau Gunn.

John Black and Gary Couse gave the sports report. The East Georgia College Bobcat basketball teams are winning, with the men's basketball team being 2-0 and the women's team being 2-1. Swainsboro High School and Emanuel County Institute won, but David Emanuel Academy lost. Both Swainsboro High and Emanuel County Institute are in the regional playoffs. The University of Georgia, Georgia Southern, and Michigan State won. Georgia Tech lost. The BCS standings are Oregon, Auburn, TCU, Boise State, and LSU. Francesco Molinari won the HSBC World Golf Championship in Shanghai. Denny Hamlin won a close race in Texas over Matt Kenseth. Hamlin is also the leader in the Chase by 33 points over Jimmy Johnson and 59 over Kevin Harvick, with two more races to go. The Falcons beat Tampa Bay and are leading the NFC South Division.

Judge Brewer fined President Jason for being late to the meeting.

Jason thanked everyone who helped with the Chili Supper. The profit is at \$189.24, with some bills and chili money still to be counted. The Board will meet this Thursday night, November 11, at the New China Restaurant at 7:00 pm.

The program for the evening was presented by Bobbie Daughtry. Bobbie belongs to the United Daughters of the Confederacy and she presented the theme for this year's Veteran's Day, the Great Locomotive Chase. Bobbie

showed us a short DVD about the 1862 Great Locomotive Chase, which began in Big Shanty in Marietta. Union spies, lead by James Andrews, planned to take over a Confederate train in Marietta and take it north, destroying the rail and bridge system between Atlanta and Chattanooga in order to shorten the war. The southern hero was William Fuller, the Confederate train conductor. As planned, the Union spies took The General, the Confederate train, and were doggedly pursued by Fuller, first using a push car; then a work train called the Yonah; followed by the freight train William Smith, and finally by the engine Texas. The Confederate pursuers were able to telegraph Chattanooga and the Confederate forces captured Andrews and all of his men. Andrews and six of his men were hanged for spying, but the remaining sixteen escaped from prison. The six men were awarded the first Medals of Honor. Andrews was a civilian, so he did not get the Medal.

The cake, donated by Travis Garrett, brought \$26 and was won by Jim Daughtry. Jean Weise won the Domino's pizza, donated by Chris Cann, and the two take-out meals were won by Bob Losser and Jean Weise.

KIWANIS REMINDER

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| November 11 | Board Meeting | Host: Ron McCroskey New China Restaurant |
| November 16 | Regular Meeting | Program: Gary Couse Cake: David Bartram |
| November 23 | Regular Meeting | Program: David Bartram Cake: Jim Daughtry |
| November 30 | Regular Meeting | Program: Travis Garrett Cake: Ron McCroskey |

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