

# The Swainsboro Kiwanian

November 10, 2009

On a rainy Tuesday evening, President David Bartram called the meeting to order at 7:00. Charles Brewer led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Travis Garrett offered the invocation. Even though it was wet and cool, we had a fair crowd at our meeting.

As I write the bulletin, it is Veterans Day, 2009, and I salute the many veterans that are in our club. Whatever your assignment was, and wherever you served, we all appreciate your service to our nation!

**Guests:** Our guest list included Dorothy Black, guest of John; Barbara Karrh, guest of Tobe; and Bill McWhorter, guest of Jesse Hackle.

Next week is the third week in November, and Ron McCrosky, Jim Hendrickson, Gary Couse, Chip Durden, Charles Brewer, Raymond Hendrix, and Dwight Watt are invited to bring a spouse or a guest.

**Sports:** Tobe Karrh brought us results of last week's football games. Space will not permit me to list all the games he reported, but some of local interest include: Swainsboro defeated Toombs County, ECI defeated Calvary Baptist, Samford defeated Georgia Southern, Florida defeated Vandy, University of Georgia defeated Tennessee Tech, Georgia Tech defeated Wake Forest, Michigan State defeated Western Michigan, and the University of Michigan lost to somebody.

**Court:** Judge Charles Brewer convened court and fined Jesse Hackle for his late entrance (he just missed the bell!). He fined John Black for a newspaper picture that failed to mention Kiwanis.

**Announcement:** By the time you read this, the November Director's meeting will have been held at the North Main Grill.

**Program:** Ron McCrosky was program chair for the evening, and he presented our own Stacey Barber to present the program. As was noted several weeks ago in this bulletin, Stacy was recently appointed principal of Swainsboro Elementary School, and he came to tell us about some of the good things that are going on there. In particular, he told us about the schools efforts to make AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). Achieving this depends on several factors, including having all subgroups of students (and there are several, such as racially defined groups, special education students, economically disadvantaged students, to give a few examples) performing well on certain language and reading tests as well as mathematics. The bar is raised each year until by 2014, all groups are expected to have 100% of their people pass the tests. He told us some of the things that the school is doing to assist students who are having difficulty with the tests. We appreciate what Stacey and his staff are doing, and we thank him for bringing our program. Thanks also to Ron for arranging it.

**Door Prizes:** The club furnished a coconut cream pie, baked by Petite Garrett. Bill McWhorter won it and also won the Domino's pizza, provided by Chris Cann. John Black won both take out meals.

## Coming up: Program                      Cake

November 17	Travis Garrett	Gary Couse
November 24	Gary Couse	John Blackburn
December 1	David Bartram	Dwight Watt
December 8	Jason Johnson	L.H. Weise
December 15	Jim Daughtry	Jim Dekle
December 22	No Meeting this week	

The Swainsboro Kiwanian (530-500) is published weekly by the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 3, Swainsboro, GA. Issue date, November 10, 2009. Postmaster: Send Form 3579 to Swainsboro Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 3, Swainsboro, GA 30401. Periodicals Postage paid at Swainsboro, GA 30401.