

**THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN**  
**December 10, 2019**  
**Christmas Celebration**

With President Petite Garrett presiding, Jim Daughtry led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jimmy Allen gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening were Brenda Henry, Austin Henry, Betty Clapham, Betsy Johnson, Lt. Governor Dan Bennett, Lindsay Bennett, Jimmy Allen, Faith Patrick, Barbara Fields, Caroline Canady, and Tyler Sikes. We had 25 members present.

President Petite gave a gift to our servers, Harriet, Pam, and Debbie, from the Kiwanis Club.

Judge Jim Daughtry fined Windy Ward for being late, but then suspended the fine because it was Christmas. He then fined Ginny Smith for having her picture in the paper and Dess Smith for “polecat” pictures in the paper and for forgetting his spouse after a Kiwanis meeting. End of December birthdays are Windy Ward, Ginny Smith, and Tammy Allen.

Tammy Allen gave a Good News \$1 for her reading program. Tim Goodman gave a \$1 for surviving a plane trip to Houston and another for the visit from Lt. Governor Dan. Bobbie Daughtry gave a \$1 for a refund to the Cub Scout Pack 75 and Cayla Page gave a \$1 for Ellie Mae Page, her new Great Dane puppy.

**Announcements** –President Petite thanked Mary Ellen Smith and everyone who helped with the entry in the Christmas Parade. She reminded us about the Resolution Run on January 1 at EGSC. We are selling tickets for a drawing for a 12-gauge Weatherby Over/Under. We will draw at the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, so SELL, SELL, SELL. The Christmas Bike Giveaway is December 17, with preparation of bikes at 1:00 pm, loading of bikes at 3:00 pm, and actual bike giveaway at 5:00 pm at the Pre-K.

The program for the evening was hosted by Jane Durden, who introduced Betsy Johnson, who presented a program on Christmas traditions and Christmas songs. We began by singing Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer, the popular song developed for children by the Montgomery Ward Department

store and popularized by Gene Autry. We were then asked to match 12 “newspaper headlines” to Christmas songs. Betsy enlisted 12 members of the audience to sing a round of the 12 Days of Christmas, lead by Lt. Governor Dan as the “Partridge in a Pear Tree.” Betsy sang solo on “Sweet Little Baby Jesus.” We sang “Jingle Bells” and “I’ll be Home for Christmas.” We ended the program with a fill-in-the blanks test as Betsy read the Christmas story from Luke.



President Petite recognized five Kiwanians for their Christmas ties and gave prizes to those who could name the five most popular Christmas songs. They included White Christmas at #1, followed by Silver Bells, Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer, the Little Drummer Boy, and the Christmas Song.

The Red Velvet cake, donated by Bobby Seamans and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$82, thanks to the generosity of Lt. Governor Dan, and was won by Lt. Governor Dan. The Domino’s pizza was won by Bobbie Daughtry.

**KIWANIS REMINDERS**

December 17	Regular Program	Host: Wanda Ellis Cake: Dess Smith
December 19	Board Meeting	Hosts: Petite Garrett Dess Smith
December 24	NO MEETING	
December 31	NO MEETING	
January 7	Regular Program	Host: Pepper Fields Cake: Ginny Smith
January 14	Regular Program	Host: Dess Smith Cake: Mary Ellen Smith

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