## THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN February 21, 2023

With President Tammy Allen presiding, Gary Couse led the Pledge of Allegiance and Wanda Ellis gave the blessing. We had 20 members present. Our guests for the evening were Mike Stafford and Holly Hattaway. We shared information about members Ginny Smith, Frank Patrick, Pepper Fields, and Roger Peebles.

President Tammy announced we will be reading to the Pre-K on February 28 from 9 until 11. We will also be reading and assisting with the activities at the Franklin Library on March 2 at 4:00. On March 30 at 4:00 the City and the Library will be hosting a "Take a Walk in the Park" at the Rec. Center. We will be grilling hot dogs and providing chips and water to participating families. Check with President Tammy to see if you can help with any of these events. Tim Goodman announced the March 4 run timing at George L. Smith Park may be cancelled. Call him if you have questions.

Judge Jim Daughtry fined Scotty Hattaway for numerous pictures in the newspaper and for using "Miss."

For the national sports report, it was noted that the Chiefs beat the Eagles 38 to 35 in the Super Bowl. In Nascar Ricky Stenhouse, Jr. won the Daytona 500 at the Daytona International Speedway.

Petite Garrett did local sports. The EGSC women's basketball team landed the #24 spot in the Top 25 teams in the Nation. This Saturday, February 25, is the closing of Homecoming Week at EGSC with a "Golden Tailgate" with free food and family fun starting at noon and ending at 3:00 with a honoring of the 2013 EGSC State Champion men's basketball team and a game between EGSC and Southern Crescent. Both the SHS boys basketball team and girls basketball team were Region Champions. Both will be hosting the 1st round of playoffs this Wednesday. Both the DEA boys and girls are still alive in the playoffs. The SHS tennis team is 3 and 1, with exceptional support from Travis and Petite Garrett's grandson. The endangered species of the week is the Manatee.

Petite spotlighted Kiwanis member Travis Garrett. Travis has lived all of his life in Emanuel County. He has three children and six grandchildren. Travis taught 35 years in the Emanuel County School System. He met his wife Petite on a blind date as a student at Georgia Southern. They have been married for 51 years. Travis and Petite have traveled extensively in the US, Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Travis is a big fan of all Georgia-based sports including UGA, the Braves, the Falcons, and the GSU Eagles.

The program for the evening was hosted by Wanda Ellis, who introduced Ventriloquist Mike Stafford who is also a counselor at the local prison. Mike gave us a lesson on the basics of ventriloquism and proceeded to entertain us with the help of his assistants Andy and Myles. Kiwanians Tim Goodman and Scotty Hattaway also assisted.



The pineapple cream cheese pound cake, donated by Travis Garrett and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$35 and was won by Jim Daughtry. Tim Goodman won the Domino's pizza and Gary Howard won the door prize package donated by Mary Ellen Smith.

Tim Goodman passed out more materials for sales of ads for the Pine Tree Festival Tabloid. The deadline for ad sales is March 30. This is our main fund-raiser for the year and we need to all SELL, SELL, SELL.

## KIWANIS REMINDERS

- Feb. 28 Pre-K Reading Day 9-11 at Swainsboro Primary
- Mar. 2 Dr. Suess's Birthday Reading 4:00 pm at Franklin Library
- Mar. 7 Club Meeting hosted by Jim Daughtry with cake provided by Sondra Fortner
- Mar. 21 Club Meeting hosted by Karolina Cerpovicz with cake provided by Deana Patrick
- Mar. 21 Board Meeting
- Mar. 30 "Take a Walk in the Park" 4-5:30 at Rec Department
- Apr. 4 Club Meeting hosted by Petite Garrett with cake provided by Jill Briercheck
- Apr. 18 Club Meeting hosted by Anita Cerpovicz with cake provided by the Club

Apr. 21 – Pre-K Funday

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