

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

March 1, 2022

With President Dianna Wedincamp presiding, Dess Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance and Petite Garrett gave the blessing. We had 24 members present. Our guest for the evening was David Gribbin.

Tim Goodman reported on the runs we will be timing in April. We are timing the Glow Run on April 9 at 7:00 pm in Mt. Vernon and the Terminator Run on April 16 at 9:00 am in Sandersville. Sign-up if you can help. Tabloid materials were distributed last week. It is time to **SELL, SELL, SELL**. About 6 to 8 Kiwanians went to Swainsboro Primary today for the March 1st Reading Day. Kiwanians Paul and Anita Cerpovicz went to some classes to do a bee presentation as they read about pollinators. President Dianna announced we will be reading to the Early Head Start students on March 2 at 9:00 am at the Pre-K.

Petite Judge Mary Ellen Smith fined Judge Jim Daughtry for not calling her to tell her he wasn't coming. She also fined "Daddy," alas Dess Smith, for SAR articles in the newspaper. She fined President Dianna for using "Miss" multiple times in the Kiwanis meeting.

Petite Garrett gave the local sports report. The SHS girls' basketball team lost in the Elite 8 and the SMS girl's basketball team won the Middle Georgia Middle School Athletic Association Region Championship. The SHS baseball team currently has a 6 and 1 record, ECI is 3 and 2, and DEA is 1 and 1. The tennis season is beginning in the local high schools. The big news coming out of EGSC basketball is the naming of Emondre Bowles as GCAA Freshman of the Year and Head Coach Travis Garrett as Coach of the Year. The endangered species of the day is the Gray Wolf.

Jim Clapham gave the national sports report. The Winter Olympics are over, with Norway winning a total of 37 medals (16 gold). The ROC won 32 medals, Germany won 27 medals, Canada won 26 medals, while the US won 25 medals. Nascar is back, with rookie Austin Cindric winning the Daytona 500 race. Kyle Larson won the race in California. March Madness is just around the corner, with Selection Sunday on March 13. Gonzaga is currently #1 in the rankings followed by Arizona and Baylor.

Our program for the evening was hosted by Gary Howard. Navy Veteran Gary gave us a program about the seven years he was in the US Navy in the submarine service. Submarines are manned only by volunteers from the US Navy. The seven years from 1967 to 1973 was spent in both nuclear submarines and attack submarines. He

explained the difference between the two types of submarines, with a focus on the nuclear subs. The nuclear submarine fleet's job is to remain invisible to detection as they patrol their area in the world's oceans. A number of countries have submarines, but only a few have nuclear submarines. Gary talked about the required training to work in the close quarters of the submarine and basics of its operation. Besides academic and technical training, all US Naval Submariners undergo physical training, pressure training, and escape training. A special thanks for his service to Kiwanian Gary.



Good-News \$1's were given by Cheryl Goodman for her nephew's last minute exit from Georgia before the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Mary Ellen Smith gave a \$1 for her successful visit to her cardiologist. Cheryl Goodman gave another \$1 for Emanuel County Sheriff Jeff Brewer and Superintendent Scotty Hattaway for everything they do. Jeff and Scotty are both Kiwanians and both participated in the primary school reading day.

The carrot cake, donated by Joe Ware, brought \$56 and was won by Petite Garrett. Jeff Brewer won the Domino's pizza.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

March 15	Regular Meeting	Host: Petite Garrett Cake: Dwight Watt
March 15	Board Meeting	Host: Jeffrey Brewer
April 5	Regular Program	Host: Tracy Mason Cake: Ginny Smith
April 19	Annual Meeting	Host: Cassie McIntyre Cake: Rosa Amerson
May 3	Regular Meeting	Host: Cayla Scarboro Cake: Anita Cerpovicz
May 17	Regular Program???	Host: Bobby Seamans Cake: Roger Peebles

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