

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

March 17, 2026

President Dianna Wedincamp opened the meeting, Jim Wedincamp led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Bobbie Daughtry gave the blessing. We had 10 members present. Amelia Daughtry, Destiny Wilcher, and Sophia Tang were our guests for the evening. The evening meal was prepared by Heather Williamson.

Good News \$1's were given by Bobbie Daughtry for her granddaughter who was present at the meeting, Paul Cerpovicz for Joelle's improved health, and Dianna Wedincamp for her future trip to Disney World.

Paul Cerpovicz announced we will be meeting on April 11 at the Franklin Memorial Library from 10:30 am until 3:00 pm to assemble our new sets of Little Free Libraries (LFL). Thanks again to Mill Creek Foundation for the grant to purchase the LFLs. He passed around a sign-up sheet to volunteer to help with the assembly.

Judge Bobbie Daughtry expanded her list of impending fines for Dess Smith and fined anyone who wasn't wearing green. They were given the option of paying the fine or getting pinched by the Judge.

Kiwanis Mid-Winter Training will take place on March 21 at Middle Georgia State University in Macon.

The Kiwanis Club will have a White Elephant Sale on May 2 starting at 8:00 am in the parking lot of the Primitive Baptist Church at 242 W. Main Street in Swainsboro. If you have items to donate, bring them to the Church on March 26 from 2 to 7:00 pm. You can use masking tape to price the items.

Deana Patrick updated us on some Franklin Memorial Library events, including a Book Sale on April 7 – 10 and the Summer Reading Program. She asked us to donate a gift card for a drawing during the program.

President Dianna introduced our program for the evening—Sophia Tang, 2026 Miss Southeast Georgia. The Miss Southeast Georgia competition is part of the Miss Georgia Scholarship Competition. Sophia explained her community service initiative to us—"How Art Heals: Advocating for Art Therapy and Art in a Therapeutic Context". Sophia explained the accreditations for Art Therapists after obtaining a Master's Degree in Art Therapy. She explained how Art Therapy helps avoid depression, treats autism spectrum disorders, depressive mood changes, and Alzheimer's disease. She has utilized her program on how art heals in various elementary schools and has

worked in the "Art is Out" program in Atlanta. Sophia is a cell and molecular biology student at Augusta University and has been accepted to the Dental College of Georgia. The Miss Georgia pageant will take place in June, and Sophia will start dental school soon after that. Her talent for the pageant is classical piano and oil painting is her art interest. She also enjoys traveling.

Tim and Cheryl Goodman updated us on the Knotty Pine 5K and Tabloid. Tim noted we need to Sell, Sell, Sell the Tabloid ads, because the deadline to sell is March 24. Cheryl announced that Keep Emanuel Beautiful has a Trash Bash scheduled for April 25 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am and asked for our support.



Left-to-right: Paul Cerpovicz, Jeff Palmer, David Gribbin, Jim Wedincamp, Dianna Wedincamp, Destiny Wilcher, Sophia Tang, Deana Patrick, Karolina Cerpovicz, Bobbie Daughtry, Amelia Daughtry, and Cheryl Goodman.

Bobbie Daughtry won the drawing for the Velvet Mousse cake. Jeff Palmer won the Domino's pizza.

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March 21	Mid-Winter Training	MGSU Macon
March 24	Regular Meeting	at 12:00 Noon
March 26	White Elephant Sale	items due
April 7	Regular Program	Host: Wanda Ellis Raffle Item: Dwight Watt
April 11	Little Free Library	Assembly
April 14	Board Meeting	
April 21	Regular Meeting	Host: Paul Cerpovicz Raffle Item: Bobbie Daughtry
April 28	Regular Meeting	at 12:00 Noon

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