

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN
April 23, 2019

With President Cheryl Goodman presiding, Breana Librizzi lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Dianna Wedincamp gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening were Carolyn Derden and Breana Librizzi. We had 21 members present.

Jim Clapham gave the sports report. Nascar took the weekend off, getting ready for Talladega next week. The Braves are 11-10, 2nd in the National League East behind the Phillies. The NFL Draft begins this week, with OU quarterback Kyler Murray expected to go #1. Locally, EGSC baseball is 30-12, while the softball team is 20-16. The Swainsboro High School baseball team is 8-22, while the Emanuel County Institute baseball team is 13-11.

Judge Jim Daughtry recessed court for the evening because potential defendants were not present for court. President Cheryl paid a \$1 because she forgot to bring the Judge his file on Dess Smith. Bobbie Daughtry gave a Good-News \$1 for her 39th Anniversary and for her son Mars' 37th birthday this past week. Dianna Wedincamp gave a \$1 for her son's proposal of marriage to his girlfriend (she accepted!). Tim Goodman gave a Good Hope \$1 because the PTF Tabloid is due out this Wednesday.

Announcements – President Cheryl reported on our distribution of books for April. We have given away well over 400 books and are still giving them away. She reported on two items from the last Board meeting. Tim Goodman thanked everyone who helped with the Terminator Run in Sandersville. It was not a good weather day. Our next race timing is our own Knotty Pine on May 4. The Pre-K Fun Day is this Friday, April 26, barring any disruptive weather events. We will do cotton candy on Thursday, April 25, at 10:00 am at the Pre-K. We will begin setting up starting around 8:30 on Friday, April 26, at the Pre-K. Kay Peacock reported on the Scott Nursing Home Beauty contest on April 29 starting at 6:30 pm.

The program for the evening was hosted by Dwight Watt. In Dwight's absence, Tim Goodman introduced Dr. John Derden, retired East Georgia State College administrator and Emeritus Professor of History. Although John is an expert on the Civil War, this evening he gave us a program dealing with author John "Jacques" Futrelle, who lost his life on the Titanic. Jacques Futrelle is an American journalist and mystery writer. Futrelle

was born in Pike County, Georgia. His name is mentioned on the gravestone of his mother Linnie Futrelle, who is buried at the Popular Springs UMC Cemetery. John became interested in Futrelle when he visited the cemetery. He has gathered a good bit of information to be used to write a biography of Futrelle. Futrelle worked for the *Atlanta Journal* before moving to the northeast to work for the *New York Herald*, the *Boston Post*, and the *Boston American*. When he shifted to writing, he moved to "Stepping Stones," his home in Scituate, Massachusetts, where he published over 50 short stories and 7 novels. His most famous character was the "Thinking Machine," a Sherlock Holmes type detective. Futrelle was married to Linnie May Peel and they had two children, Virginia and John, Jr. Both Jacques and May were passengers on the Titanic. While Jacques was lost at sea, May was lucky enough to survive. She lived until age 91 and devoted the rest of her life to the memory of her husband. It was said that Futrelle and John Jacob Astor IV, were side-by-side calmly smoking cigarettes on the deck of the Titanic as it sank.



The German chocolate cake, donated by Joe Ware and baked by Cindy Ware, brought \$33 and was won by Edwin Canady. The Domino's pizza was won by Jim Clapham. The meals were won by Travis Garrett and President Cheryl.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

April 30	Regular Program	Prog: Jane Durden Cake: Aaron Correll
May 7	Regular Program	Prog: Tim Goodman Cake: Bobbie Daughtry
May 14	Spouse's Night	Prog: Bobbie Daughtry Cake: Roger Peebles
May 21	Regular Program	Host: Kay Peacock Cake: Jim Daughtry