

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

April 4, 2023

With President Tammy Allen presiding, Jane Durden led the Pledge of Allegiance and Gary Howard gave the blessing. We had 22 members present. Guests for the evening were Jonathan Cannady, Janna Lee, and Michelle Kasak.

Judge Jim Daughtry noted that we had two sets of April birthday “twins”, Anita Cerpovicz and Cheryl Goodman, both born on Easter Day (April 9), and Bobbie Daughtry and Dess Smith both born on April 25. He fined himself and Paul Cerpovicz for being late and Paul again for a Seedling Garden Club picture. He fined President Tammy for a bike donation picture in the newspaper.

Tammy thanked the Kiwanians who helped with the March 30 “Take a Walk in the Park”, sponsored by the City of Swainsboro and the Franklin Library. We grilled hot dogs and provided chips and water to participating families. On April 21 we will help with the Pre-K Fun Day at the Swainsboro Pre-K. We will be cooking hamburgers for the parents of Pre-K students and popcorn and cotton candy for the parents and students. The cotton candy will be made on April 20 at the Rec Center. Call Tim Goodman to help with the cotton candy. The Pine Tree Festival Tabloid is well on its way. We sold 109 ads. We will get a more complete report at our next meeting. Good job everyone!

President Tammy gave a national sports report, leading with LSU beating Iowa in the women’s basketball championship and UConn beating San Diego State in men’s finals. The Braves are starting the year well and are now at 3-1.

Petite Garrett gave the local sports report. The SHS baseball team has a record of 15 and 6, while the ECI team is 14 and 6, and the DEA team is 3 and 8. The SHS boys soccer team finally won a game and the SHS girls team is 7 and 8. The endangered species is the chuck-will’s-widow, a relative of the whippoorwill.

The member spotlight for tonight is Frank Patrick, a hard-working 36-year Kiwanian. A United States Air Force veteran, Frank grew up in a family of 9 children. He has been married to his wife Deana for over 50 years. They have two children, one grandson, and a dog named Bo. Frank loves vegetable gardening and watching The Price is Right. Frank has been Kiwanian of the Year, a Presidential Award winner, and a Governor’s Leadership Medallion winner. His sweet tooth is quenched with peach cobbler and Snickers.

Good News \$1s were given by Tim Goodman for the 4 April Birthdays, David Gribbin for his anniversary, Cassie McIntyre for a surprise litter of kittens, and Cheryl Goodman for the tornados missing her niece’s house in Little Rock.

The program for the evening was hosted by Petite Garrett, who introduced her daughter, Janna Lee, who is an Intervention Specialist at Swainsboro Primary School. Janna gave us an overview of how SPS provides support to students who need assistance. The 3-tiered approach begins with the normal classroom instruction and adds a 2nd tier of targeted instruction and intervention and a 3rd tier of more intense instruction and intervention tailored to the needs of the individual student. An intervention is anything above what is done for all students. The most common interventions are small-group instruction, the use of computer programs like Fast ForWord for reading and language assistance, Incremental Rehearsal using flashcards to measure success at retaining information, and the Check-In/Check-Out program that helps students with behavioral issues which also includes a mentoring component.



The carrot cake, provided by Jill Briercheck and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$55 and was won by Gary Couse. Gary Howard won the Domino’s pizza.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

- Apr. 17 - Mid-Year Training – 8:00-3:00 - McDonough, GA
- Apr. 18 – Club Meeting – hosted by Anita Cerpovicz with cake provided by the Club
- Apr. 18 – Board Meeting
- Apr. 20 - Cotton Candy for Pre-K Fun Day
- Apr. 21 – Pre-K Fun Day
- Apr. 26 - PTF Tabloid in Newspaper
- May 2 - Club Meeting – hosted by Bobby Seamans with cake provided by Cindy Ware

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