

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN
July 16, 2019

With President Cheryl Goodman presiding, Mary Ann Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance and Roger Peebles gave the blessing. Our guest for the evening was Mary Ann Smith. We had 12 members present. We were sad to hear of the passing this afternoon of Marilyn Couse, wife of Kiwanian Gary Couse.

Jim Clapham gave the sports report. The Braves are on fire at 58-38, 1st place in the National League East, 6 1/2 games ahead of the Nationals. In Nascar Kurt Busch won at the Kentucky Speedway, followed by brother Kyle Busch and Erik Jones. College football will be beginning soon with UGA opening at Vanderbilt on August 31, GA Tech opening at Clemson on August 29, and GA Southern opening at LSU on August 31.

Judge Jim Daughtry suspended court for the evening citing a lack of potential defendants being present. A Good News \$1 was given by Pepper Fields because he and Barbara became Great Grandparents on June 25. Bobbie Daughtry gave a \$1 for the birth of a great, great niece.

Announcements – Tim Goodman announced we would be helping the new Dublin Kiwanis Club with their Charter Night on August 8th at the Dublin Country Club. We will be helping with the decorating and the silent auction. Please sign-up if you would like to attend and/or donate to the silent auction. He noted on October 12, 1922, the Dublin Kiwanis Club sent representatives to the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club's Charter Night and we needed to return the support to the newly reformed Dublin Club. Jim Clapham reported on the monthly cookout at the Emanuel County Nursing Home. He and Bobby Seamans cooked chicken for the residents. Dianna Wedincamp gave a report on the June 21 Herrington Homestead pizza party. President Cheryl thanked everyone who helped with the June 25 cookout for the Summer Reading at the Fulford Center. Tim Goodman reported at this point we have three Club members attending the District Convention in Augusta on August 16-18. Contact President Cheryl if you are interested in attending. President Cheryl announced the July 18 Board meeting has been changed to July 25.

The program for the evening was hosted by Roger Peebles, who introduced Mary Ann Smith, Miss Emanuel County. Although Mary Ann usually gives a program about local Emanuel County history, this time she focused on famous women in Georgia. She began with a brief sketch of Margaret Mitchell, Pulitzer Prize winner for *Gone With the Wind*, and Joanne Woodward, Academy Award and Emmy

Award winning actress who was born in Thomasville. She highlighted Ellen Atkins Wilson, wife of Woodrow Wilson and the 1st First Lady from Georgia. She gave information on some less well-known women including Leila Ross Wilburn, one the 1st woman to become an architect in Georgia, and Catherine Evans Whitener, a rural artisan credited with reviving and expanding the tufted textile industry in northwest Georgia. She also told us about Alice Walker, the Pulitzer Prize winner for "The Color Purple," and Emily Thomas Tubman, who upon the death of her husband she ran his large plantation and financial empire, which was nearly unheard of in her day. She spent her winters in Augusta and became one of the most vocal proponents of social change and religious reform in the antebellum South. Mary Ann modernized her list to include Olympic sprinter Gwen Torrance, golfer Louise Suggs, politician and activist Alice Harrell Strickland, and Naval Pilot and astronaut Susan Kilrain. She closed noting that Golden Globe and Academy Award winning actress Julia Roberts was born in Smyrna, Georgia.



The strawberry white-chocolate cake, donated and baked by Wanda Ellis, brought \$25 and was won by Bobbie Daughtry. The Domino's pizza was won by Joe Ware. The two meals were won by Tim Goodman and Wanda Ellis.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

July 23	Regular Program	Host: Wanda Ellis Cake: Pepper Fields
July 25	Board Meeting	Host Bobby Seamans
July 30	Regular Program	Host: Dwight Watt Cake: Gary Couse
August 6	Regular Program	Host: Petite Garrett Cake: Jim Clapham
August 8	Charter Night	Dublin Kiwanis Club 6:30 pm Dublin Country Club

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