

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN

July 19, 2022

With President-Elect Tammy Allen presiding, Jim Clapham led the Pledge of Allegiance and Wanda Ellis gave the blessing. We had 20 members present. Our guests for the evening were Governor Byron Mullican, Immediate Past Governor George Elkins, Peyton Frye, Brooke Frye, and Lawson Frye.

President-Elect Tammy reminded everyone we would be hosting a cookout for the Summer Reading Program at Vann Community Center this Thursday, July 21, starting at 11:00 if you are cooking and 11:30 if you are serving. The theme is a Hawaiian Luau.

Tim Goodman reminded everyone about the July 23rd District Officers training this Saturday, July 23, in Metter from 9 until 12 and about our own Board training on August 30 at EGSC at the Fulford Center at 2:00 pm.

Judge Jim Daughtry fined Dess Smith for not getting his picture in the newspaper. He lamented a slow day in court.

Gary Couse gave the national sports report. In the MLB, it is All-Star break. Juan Soto won the Home-Run Derby. The Braves are 56-38 at the break, 2 1/2 games behind the Mets. In Nascar Christopher Bell won at New Hampshire Speedway. Chase Elliot leads the Cup Series. Petite Garrett gave the local sports. The Rec League teams did well in the respective state tournaments, with the 8U and 10U girls softball finished as runner-up and the 12U finishing in 3rd place. The 10U, 12U, and 14U boys baseball placed in 3rd, 5th, and 3rd place respectively. The endangered species of the week is the Altamaha Pocketbook, a species of freshwater mussel found only in the Altamaha River.

A Good-News \$1 was given by Petite Garrett for her oldest grandson turning 17, while her 12-year-old grandson hit his 1st homerun to help the Vidalia 12Y team win the state championship. Bobbie Daughtry gave a \$1 for surviving an AC fire on vacation and Cindy Ware gave a \$1 for the Kiwanis support given to her during the time she lost Kiwanian Joe.

Our program for the evening was hosted by Dianna Wedincamp. Petite Garrett introduced 11-year-old Lawson Frye, a rising 7th grade honor student at ECI. Recently Lawson placed at the national Jr. Beta Club speech contest. Along with the Jr. Beta

Club, Lawson is a member of FBLA, FFA, 4-H, and is in the gifted program. He still finds time to play football and baseball. He plans to become a Biomedical Engineer. He entertained us with this award-winning speech which talked about great people having great vision and those willing to serve, not just be served. It was appropriate and fit the ideals of Kiwanis.



Governor Byron Mullican and Past Governor George Elkins, both former Lt. Governors in Division 17, made some remarks. Past Governor Elkins reminded us that we could go from good to great in Kiwanis and talked about the encouragement he received from Chip Durden to become Governor. Governor Mullican also noted the support and encouragement from Chip. He reminded everyone about the Convention on August 12-14 in Macon. Anyone wishing to attend needs to sign up. Division 17 is opening a new club in Rincon, which the Board voted to support financially and with attendance at meetings.

The Hersey-Bar cake donated by Paul Cerpovicz and baked by Petite Garrett brought \$56 and was won by Peyton Frye. Tracy Mason won the Domino's pizza.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

August 2	Regular Program	Host: Jim Clapham Cake: Wanda Ellis
August 16	Regular Program	Host: Gary Couse Cake: Bobby Seamans
August 16	Board Meeting	Host: Cheryl Goodman
August 30	100th Anniversary Celebration	
September 6	Regular Program	Host: Jim Daughtry Cake: Cindy Ware
September 20	Installation Program	Host: Dianna Wedincamp Cake: Petite Garrett