

THE SWAINSBORO KIWANIAN
September 10, 2019

With President Cheryl Goodman presiding, Frank Patrick led the Pledge of Allegiance and Bobbie Daughtry gave the blessing. Our guests for the evening was EGSC Circle K'er Briana Librizzi and Damien Scott. We had 21 members present.

Frank Patrick gave the sports report. The Braves are 90-56 and lead the National League East by 9 1/2 games. In U.S. Open Tennis Tournament, Bianca Andreescu beat Serena Williams in the women's final and Rafael Nadal beat Daniil Medvedev in the men's final. In NCAA Football action Georgia, Georgia Tech, Georgia Southern, and Georgia State all won this week. Swainsboro High School lost to Dublin 35-13 this week and Emanuel County Institute lost to Vidalia 24-21. In the NFL, the Falcons lost to the Vikings 28-12. The SHS girls softball team is 9-9, while the ECI girls team is 13-2 this season. Frank's DNR report highlighted the taking of a potential state record 700-lb 14-ft alligator on Lake Eufaula. The endangered species of the week is the Elephant.

Judge Jim Daughtry fined Wanda Ellis for getting her sewing class picture in the newspaper and Tammy Allen for a number of Family Connections pictures. President Cheryl gave a Good News \$1 for the homemade Tennessee t-shirt in the news and another \$1 for the cleanup of the minor flood in the EGSC Chemistry lab. Tammy Allen gave a \$1 for the new school year, with 72 5th graders making bread last week.

Announcements –Deana Patrick thanked everyone who helped with Library with popcorn and cotton candy on September 7. The EGSC Family and Friends Day is on September 21 and don't forget our Installation Night on September 24. Sign-up sheets for those events were on the back table. Remember, this Wednesday is the 18th anniversary of the 911 attack on the Twin Towers.

The program for the evening was hosted by Dess Smith. Mary Ellen Smith filled in for Dess and introduced Damien Scott, CEO for the Emanuel County Medical Center (ECMC). Damien highlighted all of the accomplishments of the hospital last year including being ranked a 4-star hospital by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the awards won by the ECMC Nursing Home. These accomplishments should assist in fulfilling the hospital's vision of becoming the preferred choice for health care in Emanuel County. He also praised the Georgia

Heart Rural Hospital tax credit for providing some much-needed funding this past year. He noted approximately 18% of the \$32 M ECMC budget goes for uncompensated healthcare, about twice as much as the average in Georgia. They do make a very small profit which is re-invested back into facilities and employees of the hospital. He noted the hospital has recruited a number of new doctors this year.



The pig-pickin cake, donated by Roger Peebles and baked by Petite Garrett, brought \$42 and was won by Petite Garrett. The Domino's pizza was won by Wanda Ellis. The two meals were won by Jim Daughtry and Bobby Seamans.

KIWANIS REMINDERS

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| September 17 | Regular Program | Host: Bobby Seamans
Cake: Bobbie Daughtry |
| September 24 | Installation Night | |
| October 1 | Regular Program | Host: Petite Garrett
Cake: Petite Garrett |
| October 8 | Regular Program | Host: Travis Garrett
Cake: Travis Garrett |
| October 14 | Fall Festival | |

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