

The Swainsboro Kiwanian

February 27, 2007

President John Black called us to order at 7:00 last night. He asked Rodney Beckworth to lead the Pledge, and President John offered the invocation. We had about twenty-five Kiwanians present last night with no guests.

Sports

There was not much to report on the sports scene. Our sports reporter Tobe Karrh reported passing by the Daytona 500 on his way to the sunny climes of Florida. He said there was quite a crowd there and it took a while to get by it. As reported last week, Kevin Harvick was the winner in a close finish.

Baseball season is almost upon us. The Braves will be squaring off against Georgia Tech this week. That should be an interesting game.

Rodney reported that the DEA boys and girls have made the state tournament. This is the first time in the history of the school that both boys and girls teams have both made the state tournament. After winning last week in the East Georgia College gym, they are playing this week in Milledgeville. We wish them the best.

Court

Judge Charles Brewer recessed court tonight after the stock market skid in the afternoon. Your bulletin editor breathed a sigh of relief because he had expected to be fined. To avoid self-incrimination, no further details will be given.

Announcements

Fun Day at Pre-K has been set for April 13. Rodney Beckworth is heading up this event. The Kiwanis Club will be cooking hamburgers, making cotton candy, and popping corn. Rodney is going to need some help with this so put the date on your calendar. Thanks to Rodney for heading up this fine event.

The Midwinter Training Conference will be held on Saturday, March 10 in Perry. At this point, we have eight Kiwanians who have committed to attend. There is still room, so if you would like to attend and have not signed up, let President John know, and he'll be glad to sign you up.

Pine Tree Festival Chair James Smith has called a meeting of the Pine Tree steering committee on March 8. Please reserve this date. Time and place will be announced later.

Speaking of the Pine Tree Festival, Tim Goodman says sell those tabloid ads. He has a list of about sixty-five businesses in Swainsboro that are not on anyone's contact list. If you need more or want to trade out some that you have, see Tim, and he'll try to make you happy.

The next Directors meeting is scheduled for March 15. Details will be announced later.

Program

Program Chair Paul Cerpovicz yielded his program to President John so that we could have a roundtable discussion of the offer the directors received from the Pine Tree Festival Foundation to purchase the rights to the name and events of the Pine Tree Festival from the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club. A wide variety of views, both pro and con were expressed, and everyone who wanted to do so had the opportunity to express themselves.

At our meeting next week, Mayor Charles Schwabe and Bill Rogers will be here to present the viewpoint of the Foundation to the club. This is an important decision that the club needs to make, so come and learn as much as you can. A vote to accept or reject the offer will be taken at our meeting on March 13.

Door Prizes

The cake was furnished by Caroline Harless. It was a devils food cake with creamy white icing topped with strawberries. It was a delicious looking cake, and everybody was hoping they held the lucky ticket. Olen Flanders took the cake. Congratulations, Olen. The Domino's Pizza furnished by Chris Cann was won by Justin Peebles. Congratulations to Justin, and a big thanks to Chris for providing this weekly door prize. The takeout meals were won by Jim Daughtry and Rodney Beckworth.

The editor was informed that he incorrectly reported who won the cake last week. Roger Peebles won it, but it was one of those phantom cakes. Somebody needs to get Roger a real cake.

Kiwanis Kalendar

	Program	Cake
March 6	Greg Barwick	James Smith
March 13	Joe Hoke	Travis Garrett
March 10	Mid-Winter Conference	Perry, GA
March 20	Dess Smith	Justin Peebles
March 27	John Allen Baily	Charles Brewer

April 3 Jim Harrell Jim Daughtry
July 3 – 7 International Convention San Antonio, TX
August 17 – 19 Georgia District Convention Albany

Program Chairs: Let me know your program as soon as you nail it down, and I'll put it in the bulletin ahead of time so our members will know what is coming up. You can phone me at home or email me at edbolton@ega.edu

Valentine's Banquet Revisited



Before February slinks quietly away, I thought I'd go back to our Valentine's banquet one more time. President John is shown with two of the door prize winners from that night, Marcelle Brannon and Linda Lamb.

Just For the Fun of It

It is proven that the celebration of birthdays is healthy. Statistics show that those people who celebrate the most birthdays become the oldest.

Crazy Laws

- In Texas, it is illegal to take more than three sips of beer at a time while standing.
- A recently passed anticrime law in Texas requires criminals to give their victims 24 hours notice, either orally or in writing, and to explain the nature of the crime to be committed.

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