

# The Swainsboro Kiwanian

May 1, 2007

President John Black began the meeting promptly at 7:00. Tobe Karrh led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Ed Bolton gave the invocation. We had a pretty good attendance, with twenty-five Kiwanians present by my count. We had no guests tonight, other than our speaker.

If you know of someone who would make a good Kiwanian, by all means invite them to a meeting, and encourage them to become a part of our club. We always need new members, and they will enjoy the fellowship of our club.

## Sports

Sports reporter Tobe Karrh informed us that Jeff Gordon won the race at Talladega last weekend. Scott Verplank won the Byron Nelson classic. In baseball, the Braves lost on Sunday to the Rockies, and then on Monday turned around and beat the Phillies.

## Court

Judge Charles Brewer opened court tonight by fining President John for a picture that was in the *Forest Blade* last week. He then suspended the fine because John appeared in a picture with other Kiwanians the previous week promoting Kiwanis. Johnny Ray Stafford was fined *in absentia* for a picture he had in the paper last week. The Judge issued a last call for those with April birthdays to pay up before the cost is doubled to \$2.00.

Those having May birthdays include Chris Ramsey and Danny Tapley.

## Announcements

Next Directors meeting will be hosted by Bob Losser on May 10 at the Edenfield House.

President John named a nominating committee tonight. With Travis Garrett as chair, the other members include Chip Durden, Jim Daughtry, and Tim Goodman.

The big news this week is the Pine Tree Festival. Saturday will be our big day, with the parade and the Arts and Crafts Festival. Edwin needs all hands on deck at 9:30 Saturday morning to prepare for the parade. Everyone should meet at the BB&T parking lot. Even if

you were not present Tuesday night to get your assignment, you will be needed on Saturday.

Kiwanis tee shirts can be picked up from Edwin at his business on Friday. Everyone should wear a Kiwanis cap and tee shirt to be easily identified.

An interclub is being planned for May 10. It will be a noon meeting. If you can go, see Travis Garrett.

## **Program**



Program Chair tonight was L.H. Weise. His guest was Don Wilkes, Judge of Emanuel County Probate Court. Judge Wilkes talked to us about wills and their importance. Through a will, an individual is able to determine who will receive his property rather than having it left to the laws of the state of Georgia. One feature that can be included in a will is a self-proving affidavit, which means that upon probate, none of the original witnesses needs to make a deposition to attest to the genuineness of the signature. The Judge stressed the importance of a properly written will and strongly urged that a lawyer be consulted to draw up the will to ensure that it is in proper legal form.

He also mentioned the importance of having a living will to specify what type of care you would receive if incapacitated and what heroic measures should and should not be taken to prolong life should you be unable to give instructions. He also mentioned the importance of giving someone the power of attorney for health care so that they would have the authority to make medical decisions for you should you be unable to do so. These are matters that are not pleasant to think about, but very necessary in today's world.

Judge Wilkes invited everyone to come by and see the facilities and use the public materials in his office for research on your family.

Thanks, L.H. for a very informative program.

## *Kiwanis Kalendar*

	Program	Cake
May 8	Tim Goodman	Joe Hoke
May 15	Chip Durden	No Cake
	Spouses' Night	Mother's Day Celebration
May 22	Jimmy Wedincamp	Bill Rountree
May 29	Bill Rountree	Raymond Hendrix
June 5	John Blackburn	Stacey Barber
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](mailto:edbolton@ega.edu)

### **Door Prizes**

The cake tonight was a chocolate layer cake provided by David Bartram and won by Ron McCroskey. Charles Brewer won the Domino's Pizza, generously provided by Chris Cann. John Black and Roger Peebles won the take-out meals.

**Pine Tree Festival Parade this Saturday.  
Everyone needed. See you at 9:30 at the  
BB&T parking lot.**

### **Just for the Fun of it**

The schoolteacher was taking her first golfing lesson.

"Is the word spelt p-u-t or p-u-t-t?" she asked the instructor.

"P-u-t-t is correct," he replied.

"Put means to place a thing where you want it. Putt means merely a vain attempt to do the same thing."

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