

The Swainsboro Kiwanian

November 13, 2007

President Bob Losser called the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 last night. Raymond Hendrix led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Chip Durden offered the invocation.

John Davis, step-son of Bill Breedlove was a guest with us last night, and we were happy to have him. We were also happy to officially welcome Jason Johnson as a new member. And by the way, Jason had his badge last night.

Sports

Tobe Karrh brought us up to date on last weekend's sports activity. On the local high school scene, both Swainsboro High and ECI were winners, with Swainsboro besting Metter and ECI defeating Savannah Country Day. DEA was not as fortunate, as they fell to Windsor Academy.

Moving to the college scene, Georgia Tech beat Duke, and Georgia beat Auburn. Furman defeated Georgia Southern, Illinois over Ohio State, Clemson over Wake Forest, Florida over South Carolina, and Virginia Tech over Florida State.

Jimmy Johnson won another race, this time in Phoenix.

Court

I think Judge Charles Brewer was a little concerned as to whether the court would be recognized last night. But when President Bob called on him, he recessed court for the night. I guess we are all minding our Kiwanis p's and q's. Last week, the November birthdays didn't make the bulletin, but here they are: Greg Barwick, Ed Bolton, and Charles Brewer.

Announcements

President Bob read a thank-you note that we received from Swainsboro High School for the floral tribute that we presented during the Veterans' Day program at the school. He also read a note from Kiwanis International recognizing our club for its gift to the Annual Club Gift Campaign. We received a patch for our banner because of the gift.

Paul Cerpovicz reported that the Circle K Club at East Georgia College has to date received about 40 coats in their "Koats for Kids" program. Circle K meets at East Georgia on Thursday, November

15. (Now why did I tell you that? You probably won't read it before Friday!) But now you know.

Tim Goodman says "Sell! Sell! Sell! Sell!" Sell those poinsettias. (Did you notice the extra "Sell!" there?) He must have all orders by next Tuesday night so that the final order can be placed with our supplier. Sell! Sell! Sell! Sell!

Remember that Dwight Watt puts the weekly bulletin on our club website, www.swainsborokiwanis.org. Thanks to Dwight for maintaining this site for us.

Christmas Project

The motion to discontinue the Christmas Toy Project as it is currently being operated, which was announced in last week's bulletin, was brought before the club last night. There was a motion to table it until the committee has a chance to consider necessary changes in the project, and this motion carried. Stay tuned.

Program



John Black and Andy Riley

David Bartram was our program chairman, and he introduced Andy Riley, chair of the Swainsboro Emanuel County Developmental Authority. Andy began his presentation by giving us an update on the Emanuel County economy. He said that companies in Emanuel County are doing well and that our local economy is good in comparison to others. Crider Poultry, for example is up to 850 employees after being down for a while. He mentioned the drought that Georgia along with the rest of the southeastern United States is experiencing. He said that nationally people are going to think that the entire state is as bad off as the metro Atlanta area and north Georgia, but we are in good shape with the aquifer that flows beneath us.

Then Andy turned his attention to local developments in technology. The recent "Now Technology" national meeting that was held in Swainsboro drew representatives from major companies such as DuPont, Eastman, and other companies of this caliber. It also drew

representatives from major universities and the Department of Defense. The meeting was hosted by East Georgia College and Flat Creek Lodge. There were 70 people in attendance. The main speaker was Terry Medley, Director of International Compliance at DuPont. Andy told us that the Nano Valley Consortium will be located in Swainsboro, and this will assist companies who want to work in the area of nano-technology for the Department of Defense. It sounds like Swainsboro has a lot going for it, and we thank Andy and the Developmental Authority for what they are doing to promote Swainsboro and Emanuel County. Thanks to David for a very interesting and informative program and to Andy for taking the time to come and speak to us.

Door Prizes

The cake was a honey bun pound cake provided by Bill Breedlove, and due to be delivered to Chip Durden, holder of the lucky ticket. Chip's number was also drawn for the Domino's Pizza provided by Chris Cann, but he relinquished it, since he had won the cake. On the next drawing, Jim Hendrix took home the pizza. The meals were won by David Bartram and Tim Goodman.

Kiwanis Kalendar

| | Program | Cake |
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| November 20 | Caroline Harless | Club |
| November 27 | Gary Couse | Tim Goodman |
| December 4 | David Bartram | Dwight Watt |
| December 11 | Tim Goodman | No Cake |
| | Spouses Night - Christmas Celebration | |
| December 18 | Ed Bolton | Jim Dekle |

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.



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