

L to R: President Tim Goodman, Kiwanian Patricia Coleman, Lance Henson.

"Henson Speaks to Kiwanis"

The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro held its weekly meeting on Tuesday night, August 4, 2015 at Catered Creations at 7:00. With President Tim Goodman presiding, we had 20 members in attendance with no guests for the evening.

The program for the evening was hosted by Patricia Coleman, who introduced Lance Henson, the Program Director of Geriatric Psychiatry at Emanuel Medical Center. The Geriatric-Psychiatric Unit has been open since June 23, 2015 and currently has 6 patients. The 20 - bed facility treats 55 and older patients who suffer from everything from alzheimer's to schizophrenia. Medicare is the major source of income for the unit and the average stay of a patient is around eight days. Referrals and walk-ins are first examined for any medical condition, with the staff Psychiatrist determining if the patient is admitted. The patient's condition is then stabilized and they can hopefully go home after a short stay.

President Tim Goodman reminded everyone about the seven members headed to the Georgia District Convention this weekend in Columbus, GA.

He thanked everyone who helped with the Jesus Saves run this weekend. We had ten Kiwanis members and two future members there to help. The race director, Brad McKenzie, was especially complimentary of the way the members worked together as a team and that we even provided cheer leading.

We are still collecting used books for the Friends of the Library sale this month and our 100th Anniversary Project for next month is gathering school supplies."

If you would like to become a member of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club, please call our membership Chair Linda Lamb at 478-237-5188 or e-mail her at [goodman@ega.edu](mailto:goodman@ega.edu). If you would like to find out more information about our Club and the many community service project that we do each year, go to our website at: [www.swainsborokiwanis.org](http://www.swainsborokiwanis.org) or to our Swainsboro Kiwanis Facebook page.

