

L to R: Kay Peacock, George Elder, President Jane Durden.

"Elder Speaks to Kiwanis about ECHPS's 40th Birthday"

The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro held its weekly meeting Tuesday night, January 12, 2016 at Catered Creations at 7:00. With President Jane Durden presiding, we had 20 members in attendance and no guests.

The program for the evening was hosted by Kay Peacock who introduced George Elder, President of the Emanuel County Historical Preservation Society. The theme of George's talk was "to celebrate." He focused on the 40th Anniversary of the Historical Society and how it has grown from a single building in 1976 to the 24 structures on the property on Museum Road. The original building was the Farm & Home Museum and now it has grown into a farm or village with all the attractions. George focused on some of the history and people in Emanuel County and how we need to make it a tourist attraction to bring people to the county. He talked about potential heritage tours and the historic trails in this area. He wants us to grow, improve, and change for the better. He noted that the society supports history education in the Emanuel County school system and invited everyone to attend Super Museum Sunday on February 7th at the Farm and Home Museum as part of the Georgia Historical Society statewide effort to promote historic locations in Georgia.

President Jane announced the February 2nd Division 17 Rally at Chatters in Lyons. Since that is our regular meeting night, the Club will have our meeting at the Rally. Be sure to sign up with President Jane so we can pay for the meals. Tim Goodman is headed to KI Formula training this weekend in Atlanta. Chair L.H. Weise announced that Phase I of our Grapevine Project is ready to be accomplished. The grapevines need pruning, so we will meet at L.H. Weise's grape orchard on Monday, January 18, at 9:00 a.m. to prune the grapes as part of our Grapevine Project. Dress Warmly!"

If you would like to become a member of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club, please contact our membership Chair Linda Lamb at 478-237-5188 or e-mail her at hsdurden@bellsouth.net. Also, if you would like to find out more information about our Club and the many community service projects that we do each year, go to our Swainsboro Kiwanis website at: <http://www.swainsborokiwanis.org/> or to our Swainsboro Kiwanis Facebook page.

