

# The Swainsboro Kiwanian

August 5, 2008

Vice President Bobby Seamans called the weekly meeting of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club to order promptly at 7:00. Jim Daughtry led the club in pledging allegiance to our flag, and Travis Garrett offered the invocation.

We were pleased to have Bobbie Daughtry as our guest. In addition, we had a visiting interclub group from Statesboro.

## Sports

According to Sports reporter Tobe Karrh, things are still happening in the world of sports. On the golf scene, Vijay Singh won the Bridgestone Invitational, Eduardo Romero won the U.S. Seniors open, and Jy Shin won the Ladies' British Open.

Carl Edwards won the Pennsylvania 500.

On Sunday, the Atlanta Braves defeated the Milwaukee Brewers.

## Court

Judge Charles Brewer held court last night. The only offender to appear before the court was John Black, and he was duly fined for having his picture in the paper for a non-Kiwanis reason.

## Announcements

All July reports should have been handed in to Edwin Canady by the time you read this.

Chip Durden is planning a cookout to honor our public servants on September 27. These will include among others the EMT's, firemen, and law enforcement officers. I understand that Chip is looking for some fish, cleaned and ready to fry. There will be another one sometime this month for membership support. Stay tuned for details.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be on August 14, hosted by John Black. The meeting will be held at East Georgia College.

## **Program**

Jim Dekle was program chair, and he brought us up to date on the retail end of the gasoline business. Since we all need and use gasoline, this was a very timely topic. About half of our gasoline comes from crude oil imported from overseas, much of it from the Persian Gulf region. In Georgia, we pay 42¢ tax per gallon. Of this amount, 28.6¢ is state tax and 18.4¢ is federal tax. On diesel fuel, the federal tax is 23.4¢ and the state tax is 29.2¢ for a total of 53.6¢ per gallon. South Carolina collects 35.2¢ per gallon of gasoline.

He also emphasized safety precautions that we need to take as we fill our tanks. Each gasoline dispenser has a remote cutoff in case of a leak or other problem. He also reminded us that we need to eliminate static electricity by touching a car before we begin to pump.

Many people use credit cards at the pump to purchase gasoline, and there is a limit set on such usage. It will check for over usage. Finally Jim reminded us that a gasoline station, like all other businesses, must remain competitive to stay in business.

We thank Jim for a very timely and informative program.

## **Door Prizes**

The cake was a Hershey Bar Chocolate cake, baked by Petite Garrett and furnished by Lee Grier. Bobby Daughtry was the winner.

Chip Durden won the Domino's pizza, provided by Chris Cann.

The take-out meals were won by Charles Brewer, L.H. Weise, Edwin Canady, and John Black. Two extra meals were given away since we had none last week.

## **Night Out on Kiwanis**

As our Night Out on Kiwanis continues, we are back to the second Tuesday. The following are invited to bring a spouse or guest to the meeting: Tobe Karrh, John Black, Jimmy Morgan, L.H. Weise, Bill Rountree, Caroline Harless, and Chris Ramsey. For the following week: Ron McCroskey, Jim Hendrickson, Gary Couse, Chip Durden, Charles Brewer, Raymond Hendrix, Bill Breedlove, and Dwight Watt are invited to bring a guest

# *Kiwanis Kalendar*

	Program	Cake
August 12	Ed Bolton	????????????????
August 19	Travis Garrett	Club
August 26	Justin Peebles	Chris Cann
September 2	Charles Brewer	John Black
September 9	?????????	John Blackburn
September 16	Bobby Seamans	Club
September 23	Installation Night (Spouse and Friend night)	

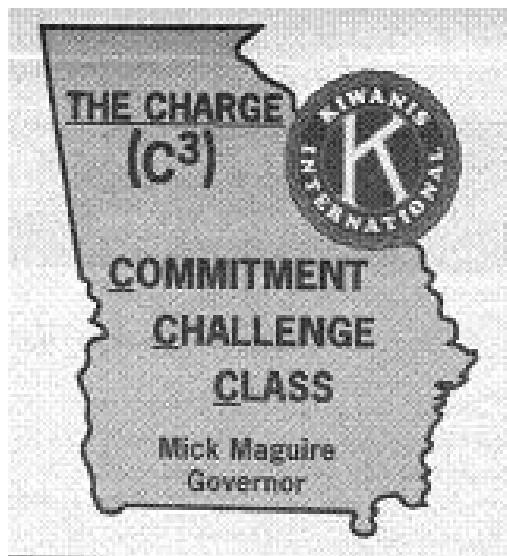
Program Chairs, if you'll let me know what your program is going to be, I'll put it in the bulletin ahead of time. Call me, or email me at [edbolton@ega.edu](mailto:edbolton@ega.edu)

## **Next Week**

Ed Bolton has the program on August 12. Dr. John Derden will be our speaker that night. His program will be about the building of the Central of Georgia Railroad through Jenkins and Burke Counties. It should be a very interesting program.

## **Note of Thanks**

I was not present last night, as I was a poll worker in the runoff election. I would like to thank David Bartram for being my eyes and ears again, and to note that any errors are the product of my imagination.



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