

The Swainsboro Kiwanian

September 16, 2008

With our usual contingent of Kiwanians present, Vice President Bobby Seamans called our weekly meeting to order at 7:00 sharp. Jim Daughtry led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jim Dekle offered the invocation.

Jim Hendrickson brought his wife Chris, and we were happy to have her as a guest.

Sports

Tobe Karrh brought our weekly sport report. On the local scene, Swainsboro High School did not play, ECI defeated Bryan County handily, and DEA defeated Fullington Academy. On the college scene, UGA defeated South Carolina, Georgia Tech lost to Virginia Tech, and Georgia Southern defeated Northeastern in overtime. In other games, it was Clemson over North Carolina State, University of South Florida over Kansas, Maryland over California, Duke over Navy, and Nebraska over New Mexico.

Besides the pigskin report, he noted that the Augusta Green Jackets have won the Sally League championship. In golf, the Ryder Cup series begins, so watch for results on that next week.

Court

Everybody continues to come to the meetings on time, wear their badges, avoid using the "M-word," and doing anything else that violates Kiwanis principles and rules, so Judge Charles Brewer suspended court for the evening.

Announcements

There were no official Kiwanis announcements, but it is worth noting that as part of the Vision Series the Augusta Symphony will be at East Georgia College on Thursday, September 25, with concerts at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. These concerts are free and open to the public. They will be held in the auditorium of the Luck Flanders Gambrell Building. The Augusta Symphony always puts on a great performance, so put this on your calendar and plan to attend to hear some outstanding music.

Program



Wade Williams

Bobby Seamans was our program chair for the evening, and he invited Wade Williams of the Tax Assessor's office to speak to the club. Wade began by referring to a Proverbs 3:5, which tells us to trust in the Lord and not depend on ourselves alone. He spoke of the importance of giving spiritual guidance to children and teaching them to respect themselves as well as others. He paid tribute to the Kiwanis Club for the emphasis that we put on children. He noted two of the objects of Kiwanis, namely to put emphasis on the spiritual and not the material and to encourage living of the Golden Rule in all of our relationships.

He emphasized the importance of the Tax Assessor's office as a mediator between the citizen and the state in tax matters. He pointed out that the county has several sources of revenue including ad valorem taxes on automobiles and trucks, taxes on mobile homes, taxes on timber harvests, personal property taxes on businesses (Computers, cash registers, and so forth are taxed.), and of course property taxes. When asked, he stated that just because a property next to yours sells for an unexpectedly high price, that would not necessarily cause a reevaluation of your property, but the assessors would look for a trend. He told us that the personnel in the Tax Assessor's office are constantly going for training, since the laws change from one year to the next.

We thank Wade for an interesting program, and thank Bobby for arranging it for us.



Door Prizes

The cake was a carrot cake, baked by Petite Garrett and provided by the club. Jim Daughtry was the winner. Tim Goodman won the Domino's pizza, provided by Chris Cann. Jim Hendrickson and Jim Daughtry won the Take-out meals.

Night Out on Kiwanis

As our Night Out on Kiwanis continues, we are back to the fourth Tuesday. The following are invited to bring a spouse or guest to the meeting: David Bartram, Ed Bolton, Tim Goodman, Bob Losser, Jim Dekle, Paul Cerpovicz, and Adi Galloway.

Kiwanis Kalendar

	Program	Cake
September 23	?????????	?????????
September 30	Installation Night	(Spouses 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

Future Meetings

David Bartram is working on a program for next week. See you then.

Note that September 30 will be our annual Installation Night, so plan to come and bring your spouse or friend.

Exceeding the Feed Limit?

A couple decided to go on a diet and shed some pounds. There were specific recipes for each meal, and the wife followed them closely and carefully divided the meals in half for each plate. They felt terrific and were never hungry. But one day they realized that they were gaining and not losing weight. She checked the recipes again and noticed in fine print at the bottom, "Serves 6."

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