

# *The Swainsboro Kiwanian*

September 29, 2009

President Bobby Seamans called the weekly meeting of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club to order promptly at 7:30, his last time to do so as President, as he hands the reins over to David Bartram. We had a good crowd present for our annual Installation Night. Jim Dekle led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Clarence Thompson offered the invocation.

**Guests:** It was really great to have so many of our wives and guests present last night. I'll not try to list them, but we were glad to have them. Other guests were former member Clarence Thompson and his wife Mildred, Linda Lamb, and Marcelle Brannon. We also had our Lieutenant Governor Erv Hietbrink with us. It makes the night a little more special when we have such guests.

**Sports:** Tobe Karrh had sports aplenty last night. Swainsboro and ECI were both winners. Georgia Tech, Georgia, and Florida were also in the winners' circle. Georgia Southern, Michigan State, and Miami all lost. In a big upset, the University of South Florida defeated Florida State. The Falcons lost and the Braves won. Phil Mickelson won the Tour Championship, and Tiger Woods won the FedEx Cup, along with a cool \$10 mil.

**Court:** Judge Charles Brewer called court into session and fined President Bobby for making the Judge eat last at all the Spouses' Night meetings. He recessed court before Bobby could present a defense.

**Announcements:** Our annual chili supper is scheduled for October 16 at Swainsboro High School. Everybody is going to be needed to make this event a success. It is one of our major fund raisers for the year.

**Honors and Thanks:** Tobe Karrh was named Kiwanian of the year. Tobe served as club President in 1972 and has been a faithful member of our club for many years. We all enjoy his sports reports each week. Keep up the good work, Tobe.

Jim Daughtry and Raymond Hendrix were recognized with plaques for outstanding service to the club. Edwin Canady, Tim Goodman, and Ed Bolton received certificates of appreciation for their contributions to the club.

And finally, a big thanks goes to President Bobby for the leadership he has provided for the past year and some months!

**Installation:** Before installing our new officers, Lt. Gov. Erv gave us an update on our District and Division. The Division had a net gain of 2 new members, giving us 575. The District organized 4 new clubs this past year. Erv challenged us to grow our club by at least 10%. We'll need four or five more members to make that goal, and we ought to be able to do that.

David Bartram was installed as President for the coming year. We wish David a successful year, and he'll certainly have one with the full backing of our club. We wish a successful year for each of the other officers and directors.

**Door Prizes:** President Bobby brought a lemon cheese cake, and Linda Dekle won it. Carolyn Canady won the Domino's pizza provided by Chris Cann. All the ladies present received favors and were entered in a drawing for the flowers on the tables. Ten ladies took home flowers, but I'll not try to list them. Thanks to Mary Ann Peebles for her help on this.

Bobby has the program next week, but the cake provider is a mystery. Roger Peebles has the program and the cake the following week. Watch the next bulletin for a more complete list.

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