

The Swainsboro Kiwanian

August 14, 2007

President John Black opened the meeting at 7:00 by asking Bobby Seamans to lead the club in the Pledge of Allegiance and Roger Peebles to give the invocation. Our only visitor was our speaker, who will be introduced later.

Sports

Tobe Karrh reported that Tiger Woods won the PGA championship. In auto racing, Tony Stewart won at Watkins Glen, which the club decided was in New York.

Jim Daughtry reported that he has heard from Gary Couse, who has covered 3000 miles of a proposed 5000 mile bicycle ride. President John reported that Dwight Watt participated in the Chattooga Century Bike Ride, and he reported that the heat and humidity, even in northwest Georgia, provided quite a challenge, not to mention the hilly (perhaps mountainous would be a better word) terrain.

Court

Raymond Hendrix presided over court tonight for Judge Charles Brewer. Justin Peebles was fined for coming in after the gong sounded.

Membership News

Tobe Karrh reported that Tommy Bellamy is in the Heritage Nursing Home. In case you do not recognize the name, it was formerly known as Swainsboro Nursing Home. It was reported that Tommy fell and broke his arm. Our thoughts and prayers go out to him.

President John had a note from Bob Losser, who wrote to let us know that he is still alive and kicking in Lake Placid. He tells us that Lake Placid hosts two horse shows and an Iron Man Triathlon in June and July. Bob has been participating with the Kiwanis Club in Lake Placid, and he says it is a fine group of men and women. In fact, he says there are more women than men in that club. It was good to hear from Bob, and we look forward to having him back in our club in the fall.

Announcements

Tim Goodman reports that he has been contacted by FEMA about Kiwanis participating in a babies and toddlers campaign for burn prevention. FEMA would provide materials, and the club would distribute them. This would fit right in with our emphasis on young children. Tim said he would order some materials to take a look, and we can decide if this would be a feasible project for the club to undertake.

Program



Program Chair tonight was Ed Bolton. He invited the Rev. Gilbert Westberry, Associate Pastor and Minister of Music at First Baptist Church, as our speaker. Last spring, Gilbert went on a mission trip to Moscow and St. Petersburg with the Sons of Jubal, a choir composed of ministers of music in Baptist churches across the state of Georgia. He showed us many pictures that he took on the trip, including cathedrals, orphanages, city skylines, churches where they sang, and some of the audiences that attended their concerts. Following a ten hour flight to Moscow, they had a chance to do some sight seeing before checking into their hotel, which was built by the French and, much to the consternation of the Russians, has a statue of General Charles DeGaulle in front of it. He reported that it was a very nice hotel, and better than they expected. Following a week in Moscow, they took an overnight train to St. Petersburg, where they spent another week before returning home. Gilbert spoke of the persecution of Christians under Stalin. He also noted that the poverty that he saw while in Russia made him much more appreciative of what we in the United States have. Thanks, Gilbert, for a very delightful program.

Door Prizes

Olan Flanders furnished a pound cake tonight, which was won by Raymond Hendrix. That's two in a row for Raymond. Chip Durden won the Domino's pizza, provided by Chris Cann. Ed Bolton and Tobe Karrh won the takeout meals, but both chose to donate them to a worthy cause.

Kiwanis Kalendar

	Program	Cake
August 17 – 19	Georgia District Convention, Albany	
August 21	Travis Garrett	Club
August 28	John Black	Chris Cann
September 4	Charles Brewer	L.H. Weise
September 11	Greg Barwick	?????
September 18	Bob Losser	Club

Program Chairs: Let me know your program as soon as you nail it down, and I'll put it in the bulletin ahead of time so our members will know what is coming up. You can phone me at home or email me at edbolton@ega.edu

Next Week

Next week, Program Chair Travis Garrett has invited Jean Schwabe to be our guest speaker. Jean is the newly appointed assistant superintendent for Emanuel County Schools. This will be a good opportunity to learn about what is happening in our public schools.

On August 28, President John has the program, and we will have a picture tour of the Augusta National, accompanied, according to John, with a special surprise. Sounds like another interesting program!

Just for the Fun of It

"The most remarkable thing about my mother is that for 30 years she served the family nothing but leftovers. The original meal has never been found." --Sam Levinson

"This recipe is certainly silly. It says to separate two eggs, but it doesn't say how far to separate them." -- Gracie Allen

"I've been on a constant diet for the last two decades. I've lost a total of 789 pounds. By all accounts, I should be hanging from a charm bracelet." -- Erma Bombeck

"I told my doctor I get very tired when I go on a diet, so he gave me pep pills. Know what happened? I ate faster." -- Joe E. Lewis

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