

# **The Swainsboro Kiwanian**

**August 7, 2007**

President John Black called the meeting to order promptly at 7:00. Chip Durden led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Tobe Karrh offered the invocation.

We were pleased to have Anthony Faris with us again tonight. Anthony is with RFD Gallery and is also on the Board of Emanuel Arts Council. We are expecting that he will join us in the near future.

## **Sports**

There have been some sports since last we met, according to sports reporter Tobe Karrh. In auto racing, Tony Kanaan won the Firestone 400. In golf, Tiger Woods won the Bridgestone tournament. Ochoia won the women's British open. In baseball, Bonds hit home run number 755, to tie Hank Aaron's record. Also in baseball, Tom Glavin won his 300<sup>th</sup> game.

## **Court**

Court was in recess tonight. I guess everybody has been pretty good. I think we have been three weeks without a court session.

According to our roster, nobody has an August birthday. That strikes me as a bit unusual that out of a group this size, there are no August birthdays! If I overlooked someone, let me know, and I'll remedy the situation next week.

Speaking of birthdays, did you know that out a group of 30 people, the probability that at least two have the same birthday is about 70%? Surprising, but nevertheless true.

## **Announcements**

The directors are meeting this Thursday night at the Edenfield House.

# Program



Our program chair tonight was Jim Dekle. He invited County Commission Chairman Keith Thompson to speak to us. Keith did not address county issues tonight, but brought us a more personal program.

He described his recent experiences with prostate cancer and stressed the importance of early detection. He talked about the PSA test, a blood test that can be used to check the condition of the prostate and the importance of it in early detection of prostate cancer. He stressed the importance of taking responsibility for yourself by contacting your doctor to learn the results of the tests rather than assuming that if the doctor's office fails to contact you that everything is all right. He told us about some of the things that he went through as he battled this disease. We are glad to see Keith doing so well, and thank him for a very educational program. We also thank Jim for arranging this program.

## Door Prizes

The cake tonight was a Granny's thirteen layer caramel cake, provided by Lee Grier. Raymond Hendrix held the winning ticket and got to take that cake home. John Black won the Domino's Pizza, provided by Chris Cann. Justin Peebles won both of the take out meals, but he generously donated one of them to Keith Thompson, our guest speaker.

## *Kiwanis Kalendar*

	Program	Cake
August 17 – 19	Georgia District Convention, Albany	
August 14	Ed Bolton	Olen Flanders
August 21	Travis Garrett	Club
August 28	John Black	Chris Cann
September 4	Charles Brewer	L.H. Weise
September 11	Greg Barwick	?????

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](mailto:edbolton@ega.edu)

### **Future Program Notes**

Next Tuesday night, program chair Ed Bolton has invited Rev. Gilbert Westberry as speaker. Gilbert is associate pastor and minister of music at First Baptist Church. Last spring, he went to Russia and visited Moscow and St. Petersburg and brought back some excellent slides. Come next week and take a trip to Russia with him.

On August 21, 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.

### **Ordinary people performing**

#### **EXTRAORDINARY WORK**

Kiwanis, through guidance and example, works to develop future generations of leaders. Every day, Kiwanians are revitalizing neighborhoods, organizing youth-sports programs, planting trees, building playgrounds, and performing countless other projects to help children and communities