

The Swainsboro Kiwanian

October 16, 2006

President Bob Losser called the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 last night. Travis Garrett offered the invocation, and Jim Dekle led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ed Bolton had two guests, who will be introduced later.

Sports

According to Sports Reporter Tobe Karrh, there was a lot of football action last weekend. Both Swainsboro High school and ECI won. According to Tobe, Swainsboro High is rated #8 in the state. Moving to the college level, Georgia Southern lost to Elon; Georgia Tech won over Miami, and Georgia won over Vanderbilt, both in close games. LSU lost to Kentucky (big surprise), South Carolina beat North Carolina, Oregon State beat USC, South Florida beat Central Florida, and Boston College beat Notre Dame. The Falcons got beat again, this time by the Giants, 31 – 10. In baseball action, Colorado has made it to the World Series for the first time. No report on any NASCAR action.

Court

Judge Charles Brewer recessed court for the night. It looks like everybody is careful to observe Kiwanis regulations.

Announcements

The Board of Directors is meeting this week.

The chili supper will be this Friday night, October 19, at the Swainsboro High School cafeteria. Everybody is needed to help. The hours of the supper are from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. With any luck at all, you will receive this bulletin in time to remind you to come on out and help us.

The annual poinsettia sale is getting off the ground. Tim Goodman has a record of what you ordered last year. Along with the chili supper, this is one of our major fundraisers.

Octoberfest will be held as usual on the Boneyard Halloween evening, which is on a Wednesday this year. Just to be sure everybody knows, that is October 31. We will have candy, popcorn, cokes, balloons, and did I say candy? Put that date on your calendar and make plans to be there. This is a great project because it gives the children a safe place to observe Halloween. We have financial

support from the County Commissioners, so it should be a great evening of fun for the children and their parents as well as for us.

Program



Ann Buxton and Ginger Bolton

Program Chair last night was Ed Bolton. He invited Ann Buxton, who is manager of Franklin Memorial Library and his wife Ginger, who works with Ann at the library. As many of you recall, last summer the Kiwanis Club prepared and served hotdogs at the conclusion to the Teen Reading Program, which was held for the first time. Ann thanked the club for their participation and expressed hope that there would be an encore next summer. She reported that 43 teens participated in the program.

The library recently held a “Winnie the Pooh” birthday party, which 36 children attended. The library also has a program under which authors come and discuss their works. The most recent author was Linda Berry, a relative of Swainsboro Police Chief Johnny Schuman. Many of her novels are based upon cases that the Chief has investigated. Look for more authors to come in the future. The library has story hours several times a year at which children are allowed to choose and keep a book under the RIF (Reading is Fun) program. This means a great deal to the children when they realize that they can actually keep the book.

In addition to what they do for children, the library serves the entire community. There are computers available for public use for browsing the Internet, Word Processing, or what ever you need them for. There is a genealogy/local history room where you can research your family. The library has large-print books, newspapers, and magazines. Books on tape and videos are also available for checkout. If you want a book that is not in the local library, it can be ordered from another library through the PINES system, a statewide network of public libraries.

When she finished her part on the program, Ann introduced Ginger, who talked about some of the things the library is doing to honor our veterans. On Veteran’s Day, November 11, there will be a program sponsored by Franklin Memorial Library and the DAR to honor all

veterans. There will also be a lighting of the Veterans' Tree. Ginger also spoke about the World War II Veterans Room, where there are about 250 photographs of World War II veterans with Emanuel County connections and invited everyone to come by the library and see this room. She asked that if anyone knows of a World War II veteran with an Emanuel County connection that their photograph be brought in to be scanned and added to the collection. The library will not keep the original photograph, but it will be returned after it is scanned into the computer. Finally, Ginger announced plans for a Christmas party to be held at the library on December 9 for World War II veterans and their spouses. Thanks, Ann and Ginger for coming and for what you are doing at our library.

Door Prizes

The cake this week was a fine looking German Chocolate cake, baked by Marilyn Couse and furnished by Gary. Tim Goodman held the winning ticket for that one. Jim Dekle won the Domino's Pizza, provided by Chris Cann. The take-out meals were won by L.H. Weise and Travis Garrett.

Kiwanis Kalendar

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| October 22 | L. H. Weise | David Bartram |
| October 29 | Travis Garrett | Raymond Hendrix |

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

L.H. Weise has the program next week. He didn't tell me what it would be, but said it will be verrrrrry interesting. Come and see what he has up his sleeve.