Rotary Club of St. Simons Island Board of Directors Meeting Monday, October 4, 2004

Present: Leslie Mattingly, Bud Dorsey, Marie Dodd, Tom Parker, Clyde Taylor, John Buchanan, Jim Szwast, Maria Vogt, Mike Harris, Susan Hardwick.

Red Badge Member Present: Becky Stephenson

Absent: David Williams, Jim Bruce, Dick Wicker, Bill Halderson, Ted Wright.

The minutes were approved from the September 13, 2004, board meeting.

Jim Szwast gave the treasurer's report which is attached. He indicated that the quarterly dues billing will be coming out in the immediate future. Due to the cost of the directory, there will be an increased charge of approximately three dollars billed to members. Jim also said he would not re-bill anyone who chose not to add the \$25 on the earlier billing earmarked for a donation toward becoming a Paul Harris Sustaining Foundation Member.

It was announced that John Johnson had submitted his resignation from the club which was accepted. The resignation of Bill Kernohan was accepted. It was noted that the club has 129 members as of this date.

Sam Shaw sent in word regarding Andy Hunt's health and the fact that he is in Brian Center. It was voted to put Andy Hunt on permanent medical leave.

Discussion by Jim Szwast was held regarding new members being asked to pay \$100.00 towars becoming a Paul Harris Fellow at initiation (or, billed \$25.00 per quarter). Concesus was to add this amount in either form to the application. The treasurer's report was approved.

Next topic covered was discussion of getting more new members. Both Tommy Packard and Everett Millican are prospects for membership it was reported.

Marie Dodd reported on the fall oyster road social. It will be held on Friday, November 19th at a rental cottage on Arnold Road that Shan Ducom of Real Escapes manages. The time will be 5-7:30 p.m. A full menu is planned. Costs for guests/spouses will be \$25 per person.

The medical driving program for patients was discussed. Becky Stephenson, red badge member, talked about the Child In Crisis program at Altama Elementary School She talked about the needs to participate in this program and asked for the club's assistance. Other items discussed were the Thanksgiving Food Drive and the Children's Wish List Christmas donations being coordinated by Dee Brantley of Marshes of Glynn Rotary Club. Also discussed were the Salvation Army bell-ringers. Forty-eight volunteers are needed from the club on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, December 8, 9 and 10.

Mike Harris presented an update on the Rotary Club's Centennial Project. He said he has met with Ed Cheshire III, architect; Fendig Signs; and with Bill Tipton, head of the Brunswick-Golden Isles Convention and Visitors Bureau. A rough estimate of the sign, clock and the high and low tide readings at this point is \$2,500. The thirteen foot (13') sign will have a plaque on it "100 Years of Rotary Service To the Community 1905-2005" and will be erected at some location in the Village/Pier section of St. Simons Island. Mike indicated that where it should be; what it should look like; and any other ideas regarding this project are being finalized at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Hardwick

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