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The Four-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and better **friendships**?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

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**Rotary Club
 St. Simons Island
 Georgia, U.S.A**

District 6920

Rotary Spray

February 8, 2005

Today's Program:

**Bill Blankenship
 Rotary Foundation**

Area Rotary Clubs

Club	Meeting	Day & Time
Brunswick	Twocan's, Brunswick	Thu. 1:00 P.M.
Glynn County	Twocan's, Brunswick	Wed. 7:30 A.M.
Jekyll Island	Jekyll Island Club Hotel	Wed. 8:00 A.M.
St. Simons Island	Sea Palms (Confirm before attending)	Tue. 1:00 P.M.
SSI Marshes of Glynn	Epworth	Thu. 7:30 A.M.

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Attendance

February 1 TBA

Rotabucks

Victoria Stenberg \$53

Visiting Rotarians

- Sally Bliss—Perry NY
- Jim Funk—Atlanta
- Mike Hendley—Brunswick
- Frank Pearson—Dickinson, ND

Guests—Hosts

- Mibs Johnson—Nat Johnson

Wellness Report

- Fred Collins—Condition is about the same.
- Joe Mruk—Home doing OK.

Upcoming Programs

Feb.15—Classification Talks

Feb.22—Rotary Speech Contest

Greeters

2/8 Lee Scheinman

Jim Shannon Jr.

2/15 Jim Shannon III

Sam Shaw

Makeups

- Shan DuCom—Brunswick
- Frank Sidella—Brunswick
- Clyde Taylor—Brunswick

This Week's Birthdays

None this week.



John Edwards passed away peacefully January 31 at the Brian Center Inn. John was 90 years of age. Dick Wicker paid tribute to John, concluding with a moment of silent prayer.

Rotary Auxiliary Luncheon

Mibs Johnson presented information about the next Auxiliary luncheon. The Rotary Auxiliary invites the wives to their luncheon (\$18.50) and Talbots fashion show February 16, 12:30 pm at the Sea Palms Club House. For reservations call Lynn Fischer at 638-0646.

Additional Announcements

Please see enclosure.

Last Week's Program (Feb.1, 2005)**Brad Brown****Update of Brunswick**

Mayor Brad Brown gave a fine update of the progress of Brunswick in his seven years as Mayor. Brad is a fifth generation Brown in the Brunswick community graduating from Glynn Academy in 1984 and Georgia Southern in 1989. Beginning public office at the age of 31, he has received numerous awards and recognitions for his public service as Brunswick's Mayor. Brad and his wife Deborah of 15 years have one son.

As he stated, "There is good news and sad news; the good news is that there are only 338 days left for me to be in office; the sad news is that I will leave a job that I have enjoyed for seven years." By all accounts he has done the job well. One of the major events has been the creation of Blueprint Brunswick, which started as a long range plan for Brunswick to better identify the city, and to provide physical and economic growth to the City of Brunswick. Through the efforts of Blueprint Brunswick over 200 acres of land have been identified for redevelopment, including 40 acres near the old shipyard for condos and a marina. Other properties have been identified to blend industrial and residential use. A city that seemed to be stagnant is now growing again with property tax revenues growing over 10% last year. Revenues from dockage fees will grow with the increase from \$.50 to \$3.00 per foot.

The ship has been righted, and now the City is looking for a new candidate for Mayor, as Brad is stepping down. The new City leader's challenge will be to carry on and expand the good works that are now in progress. Mayor Brown will remain active in the City's future; maybe politically, maybe not—but he will be involved!

A dozen questions were asked from the floor ranging from abandoned buildings in Brunswick to potential usage of the S.H. Kress Store. All questions were answered with good candor. The last question was asked by President Leslie as to what changes he personally had experienced in the past seven years. Brad's response was that he felt that he was wiser, and while he does not necessarily like politics he has learned how to play the game.

Well done Mayor Brown and visit us again.

Enclosure for *The Spray*, February 8, 2005.

Announcements from the President

Additional Projects Two additional projects were approved by the Board today in order to finish our Presidential Citation: (1) a literacy project; and (2) an international services project.

- Pat Donahoo spoke of the literacy project. Look around for used children's books. Pat presented specific examples of books needed. Four team captains have been appointed to spearhead the effort.
- The international services project will be to support a club in India by sending them \$200 for cataract surgeries.

Reception for New Members President Leslie called on Peter Banks to speak of the reception. Peter announced the reception would be for new members, defining "new member" as one joining our club from July of last year until February 22, 2005. The event will be held at the Village Inn & Pub on Mallory Street, February 22, 5:30 – 7:00 pm. Peter will follow-up as appropriate.

New Membership You are encouraged to bring prospective members to any of our weekly Club meetings.

Membership Changes The Board approved today a new member, Ervin Williams. Ervin will be introduced to the Club at the February 8 meeting. We regretfully accept the resignation of Gary Trullinger. Gary is moving back to Atlanta.

GRSP The Board approved today new arrangements for our GRSP Program. We will be going in 50-50 with McIntosh Club. We'll be sending a student to Valdosta State instead of Georgia Southern.

Mentor a Child Remember the New Year's Mentor-a-Child Resolution. Even five minutes of your time might be helpful.

Allen Berry expresses his thanks to **Tom Parker** for doing the Cart Fund duties during Allen's absence.