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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 13, 2007 Satilla River Keeper Gordon Rogers

Club Brunswick Glynn County Jekyll Island St. Simons Island

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#### Area Rotary Clubs

Meetina Christie's Restaurant Christie's Restaurant Jekyll Island Club Hotel Sea Palms (Confirm before attending) Epworth—Jinks Dining Room

Day & Time Thu. 1:00 P.M. Wed. 7:30 A.M. Wed. 7:30 A.M. Tue. 1:00 P.M. Thu. 7:30 A.M.

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Attendance

February 6 64%

#### Rotabucks

Fred Freyer \$48 Visiting Rotarians—Club

#### • None today.

#### Guests—Hosts

- Pat Morris—Merry Tipton
- Lee Stearns—Guest of Club

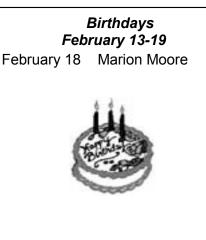
#### Wellness Report

 No wellness reports, but Sam Shaw returned with some new jokes! Greeters 2/13 Bob French

Fred Freyer 2/20 John Gibson Ralph Goldman

# Makeups

• None Today



#### From the President

**District Conference** Register now for the Conference. Savannah, May 4, 5 and 6. Register on-line at www.rotarydistrict6920.net. **Mercury Hybrid Drawing** Win a 2007 Mercury Mariner Hybrid. Drawing will be held May 4 at the District Conference. Purchase your raffle ticket on-line (www.rotarydistrict6920.net) or see Pat Storino.

# **Special Presentation**

Lee Stearns made a special presentation to our club for our support of the Marine Corps League Charity Golf Tournament.

## Blue Badge Award

Congratulations to Bob May for receiving his Blue Badge.

# February 6, 2007 Ron Upshaw St. Simons African American Heritage Coalition



Don Fielder introduced Ron Upshaw. Ron grew up in Philadelphia and attended Temple University. He retired after 29 years with the Allstate Insurance Company where he worked in both the Human Resources and Sales areas.

Ron retired to coastal Georgia to golf and fish, but quickly became involved with several community groups and currently serves on the boards of The Coastal Georgia Historical Society, Second Harvest of Brunswick and Board of Trustees of Wesley Methodist Church, in addition to his duties as President of the African American Heritage Coalition. Ron has just recently accepted a position as Field Representative for Woodmen of the World Insurance Society. Ron lives with his wife and daughter in Hampton Point, together with their 3 dogs and cat.

The mission of the St. Simons African American Heritage Coalition is "to educate, preserve, and revitalize African-American heritage and culture." The goals are three-fold: land-loss prevention, historic preservation, and economic development. The Coalition develops connections with all organizations, groups and individuals that are interested in the historical aspects of our island including the contributions of African-Americans. In addition, the Coalition is involved in restoring the original one-room school that still exists on SSI. They have secured a grant of \$18,000 to research the school and develop the technical specifications to restore it.

**A Special Note:** Fred Freyer handed over today's Rotabucks winnings to Ron Upshaw for the Coalition.

## **Upcoming Programs**

- 2/20 Classification Talks: Ruth Heywood and Myra Hocutt
- 2/27 Don Mathews, CGCC: 2007 Economic Outlook
- 3/6 ESPLOST
- 3/13 Dr. Charles Adams: Epworth Update
- 3/20 Buck Bennett: Iraq & the National Guard
- 3/27 The UGA Recruiting Story (Tentative)