



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

District 6920

Rotary Spray

August 14, 2007

Today's Program:

**Economic Forecast
2007-2008**

John McDevitt

**Economic Consultant & Former Chief
Economist for 3M**

Club	Area Rotary Clubs Meeting	Day & Time
Brunswick	Christie's Restaurant	Thu. 1:00 P.M.
Glynn County	Christie's Restaurant	Wed. 7:30 A.M.
Jekyll Island	Jekyll Island Club Hotel	Wed. 7:30 A.M.
St. Simons Island	Sea Palms (Confirm before attending)	Tue. 1:00 P.M.
SSI Marshes of Glynn	Epworth—Jinks Dining Room	Thu. 7:30 A.M.

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Data Reports

Maria Vogt
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Attendance

Aug. 7 - 66 members (62%)

Rotobucks

Lee Scheinman \$43; Georgia Sea Turtle Center tee shirts were won by **Martin Turbidy, Ann Nermo**

Visiting Rotarians - Club

Fred Bounds – Dunwoody

Guests – Hosts

Sara Phelps (first visit) – Pat Storino

Wellness Report

Dick Wicker is recovering after a hip replacement.

From the President

- Leaves of absence were granted to **Roy Mahlberg** and **John Simms**.
- \$1500 has been donated to the BCCA Youth Symphony.
- Seven members attended the Rotary Foundation seminar in Vidalia.

Greeters

8/14 Peter Schmidt, Gary Schwartz
8/21 Frank Sidella, John Simms

Makeups

Becky Stephenson – Salisbury NC
Clyde Taylor - Brunswick

Birthdays

August 14 – 20

Bill Gussman – 8/16
Teresa Jones-King – 8/17
Dwight Plyler – 8/18
David Hanson – 8/20



District Newsletter

In lieu of a printed district newsletter, President Jim Bruce will be posting it to the District website: www.rotarydistrict6920.newsletters.shtml. The latest issue has been posted.

Upcoming Programs...

- 8/21 - **Classification Talks**
- 8/28 - **“An Angry Drummer Echoed” by Author Pamela Bower Mueller**
- 9/4 - **“Our Island: Where Do We Go From Here?” – Land Conservation – SSI Land Trust – Russ Marane**
- 9/11 - **Update on Sea Island Activities – Bill Jones III (In the Blasingame Room at Epworth by the Sea.)**

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New Georgia Sea Turtle Center

Dr. Bill Irwin, Director

Dr. Irwin, a former biology professor from North Carolina, was hired in January as director of the new center on Jekyll Island.

The new attraction was constructed at a cost of \$3 million and has an operational budget of \$1 million per year.

The center houses turtles in nine large tanks, which can be subdivided so that up to 15 turtles can be accommodated. Turtles released from the center are equipped with satellite transmitters to track their migrations (at a cost of \$6500 per turtle). They can be tracked for 12 to 18 months.

Approximately 1 in 200 hatched sea turtles survive in the wild to reach adulthood, with many falling victim to boats, nets, chemicals and illness.

The center is a prime rehabilitation center and contains a state-of-the-art veterinary center. Research focuses on how the turtles get injured and causes of turtle illnesses.

John Darby

A moment of silence was held in memory of John Darby, 74, who died at his home after a brief illness on Friday, Aug. 3.

A senior executive with Murphy Oil Company for 25 years, he was an alumnus of Pittsburgh State University, University of Tulsa and Harvard Business School. He and his wife of 54 years, Carole, have made their home here for 16 years.

An avid pilot, John was a familiar figure within the local flying fraternity and a sought-after flight instructor.

As a member of our club, he chaired the July 2007 Taps at Twilight program.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, Aug. 8, at the St. Simons United Methodist Church, where he was an active member. Interment was to be in his hometown of Joplin, Missouri.



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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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