



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

District 6920

## *Rotary Spray*

May 19, 2009

Today's Program:

## Ed Bruce Scholarship Awards

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Club	Area Rotary Clubs Meeting	Day & Time
Brunswick	Fourth of May	Thu. 12:45 P.M.
Glynn County	Brunswick Hospital	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

**Visiting Rotarians**

David Goff – Winchester, VA

**Guests/Hosts**

Matthew McHale – Jim Bruce

Steven Spandle – Clyde Taylor

William Morton – Eric Andreae

**Attendance**

May 12 – 75 members (66%)

(Plus 6 guests for total of 81)

**Greeters**

5/19 Jack Dinos, Chad Dixon

6/2 Marie Dodd, Sonny

Doehring

**Rotobucks**

Becky Stephenson - \$46

**Birthdays May 19 – June 1**

John Buchanan – 5/20

Catherine Maybank – 5/22

Bill Warren – 5/27

Marie Dodd – 5/28

Paul Sanders – 5/29

Leon Jorgensen – 5/31

Robert Cable – 6/1



**Club Notes**

**Club Finances:** The Board approved a change to the membership guidelines as follows: "Members with financial obligations to the club of 60 days will have their names and amount owed to the club published on a regular basis in the Spray." This will be effective early in July.

**Thanks:** President Chuck thanked those who helped host our recent Brazilian visitors.

**Membership:** As of May 13, we have lost 11 active members and one honorary member while adding 10 active members since the beginning of the club year in July 2008. Club membership stands at 123 active and five honorary members for a total of 128.

**Upcoming Programs**

5/26 - No Meeting (Week of Taps at Twilight)

6/2 - Rabbi Arnold Mark Belzer – Congregation Mickve Israel – Savannah

6/9 - Community Image Awards – Robert Cable

6/16 - Sam Baker – Athletic Director – Georgia Southern University

6/23 - Outgoing President’s Report

6/30 - Classification Talks

May 12, 2009

## Rana Smith

Executive Director

### Safe Harbor Children's Shelter

Rana M. Smith, executive director of Safe Harbor Children's Shelter, gave club members an overview of the organization's program to provide a safe and secure emergency shelter for children and youth who are abused, neglected, runaway or homeless.

Originally from Belleville, Michigan (near Ann Arbor), Ms. Smith has been in Brunswick for almost two years. She has an extensive background in social services, and has nearly 20 years' experience in executive management.

Ms. Smith has been with Safe Harbor since June of 2008. Currently, she travels between Georgia and Michigan to raise her 14- year- old daughter (Gabrielle).

She has brought significant changes and new initiatives to Safe Harbor, such as moving the boys to a new facility, getting more men involved, and shifting Safe Harbor's status from a mostly temporary facility to a mostly permanent one.

Ms. Smith said she has a "passion to work with children. She leads a staff of 27 and 30 volunteers. There are separate facilities for 12 girls and 8 boys.

Safe Harbor opened in June 1991 on Gloucester Street in Brunswick. It is a member of the National Safe Place organization, which supports many agencies around the country. It provides services to school-age children up to 18 years old.

**(Our speaker was introduced by Mark Friedman.)**

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## CART Fund

Club member and District Governor-Elect Clyde Taylor gave a report on CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust), a joint project of District 6920 and 10 other clubs in Georgia and the Carolinas.

Clyde said our club has contributed the second most of any club in the district.

He noted that CART research has resulted in "major breakthroughs" in fighting the disease.



### ***Rotary Officers & Directors***

**International President** Dong Kurn Lee  
**District 6920 Governor** Kenan Kern  
**District 6920 Governor Elect** Clyde Taylor  
**District 6920 Governor Designee** Lloyd Horadan  
**Assistant Governor - SSI Area** Pat Storino

### ***St. Simons Island Rotary Club***

**President** Chuck Cansler  
**President Elect** Brooke Pridmore  
**Secretary** Maria Vogt  
**Assistant Secretary** Lee Scheinman  
**Treasurer** Chad Dixon  
**Financial Administrator** Vacant  
**Immediate Past President** Jim Bruce  
**Past Presidents' Representative** Pat Storino  
**Sergeant-at-Arms** Mike Harris  
**Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms** Tom Parker  
**Historians** Allen J. Berry & Julian Flexer

### ***Directors***

**Club Relations & Public Relations** Wank Davis  
**Club Service & Membership** Everett Millican  
**Community Service** Wally Forsythe  
**International Service** Stan Humphries  
**Programs & Fellowship** Gary Schwartz  
**Vocational Service** Robert Cable

### **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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