

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

District 6920

Rotary Spray

January 26, 2010

Today's Program:

Dr. Page W. Faulk

Status of the H1N1 (Swine Flu) Virus

Club

Brunswick Glynn County Jekyll Island St. Simons Island Se SSI Marshes of Glynn

Area Rotary Clubs Meeting

Fourth of May
Brunswick Hospital
Jekyll Island Club Hotel
Sea Palms (Confirm before attending)
Epworth—Jinks Dining Room

Day & Time

Thu. 12:45 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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Data Reports

Bill Warren

Visiting Rotarians

None

Guests/Hosts

Myra Albert – Paul Pieschel

Attendance

Jan 19 – 76 members (67 %) (Plus 2 guests for total of 78)

Greeters

1/26 – Robert Sprouse, Pat Storino

2/2 - Thomas E. Stroud Thomas B. Stroud.

Rotobucks:

\$45 – John Hoffman

Birthdays

Jan. 27 – 2/2 Can you believe no one Was born this week????

Club News

- <u>First Tuesday at the House</u> will meet at The Frederica House on Frederica Rd. Feb 2nd, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Cathey Petkash on behalf of the Club presented SSI Elementary with a check in the amount of \$5,500 (\$5,000 from the grant and \$500 from the Club) from a grant applied for in September. Present to accept the award were Sarah Dodd and Vicky Sawall. The funds will be used to purchase essential equipment such as compound and dissecting microscopes, hand held lens and other miscellaneous equipment for a new science lab. Over 500 students will benefit from the lab. Sarah shared that most of the students live in the Brunswick area and have never been to the beach.

Upcoming Program

2-02 - Lubomira Dimitrova, Bulgaria, Georgia Rotary Exchange Student

Jan. 19 Program Lieutenant Colonel Wayne Mosley Orthopedic Surgeon

Lt. Col. Wayne Mosley, a decorated member of the Georgia National Guard who served two tours in Afghanistan and Iraq, gave club members an eyewitness report on those two war zones.

In civilian life, he also is a practicing orthopedic surgeon specializing in trauma orthopedics.

His presentation encompassed three major questions.

How are we handling the war? Urging people to express their views, he said the war on terror is too important to leave decisions with the federal governments alone. Government officials rarely travel into the bowels of the areas they visit, so they don't have a complete understanding of the operations. Their trips are more PR in nature and consist of brief visits and pictures with the top officials and soldiers.

Who are we fighting? The news media don't give enough information about who we are fighting and what motivates them. The heaviest lifters (individuals who blow themselves up for the cause) are young men without a future who have few political beliefs. If the American people better understood who we are fighting, they would understand better the next question.

Why are we fighting? Originally we were fighting because of 9/11 and Weapons of Mass Destruction. Now, however, we fight to protect America. In Iraq, the Sunnis are fighting the Shiites for control, with Al-Qaeda fanning the flames. Both the Taliban and Al-Qaeda fight for power or control of their world. What is their world? For Al-Qaeda, it is not only Iraq, but the entire Mideast, if not the world. The Taliban is more focused on control of its immediate area of Afghanistan.

Other views of Colonel Mosley:

- Our military is far superior to the armed forces of other countries.
- Some people look down on us for wanting to win the war, but there is always a winner and a loser.
- The long-term solution to conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan is to help the people build communities and give them the possibility of a future.

Martin Turbidy introduced the speaker.



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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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