



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

District 6920

Rotary Spray

Today's Program:
August 25, 2009

Liz Booth
Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Environmental Protection Division

| Club | Area Rotary Clubs Meeting | Day & Time |
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| 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

Bill Warren

Greeters

8/25 Teresa Jones-King, Calder Kinney
9/1 Stan Kyker, John Law

Visiting Rotarians

Guests/Hosts

Steven Spandle – Jim Bruce
Bud McGrath – club
Pam Johndroe – Millie Wilcox

Attendance

Aug. 18– 71 members (71%)
(Plus 3 guests for total of 74)

Rotobucks:

Paul Pieschel \$37

Birthdays – Aug. 25 – 31

Jack McDonald 8-27

Jack Sullivan 8-27

Stan Humphries 8-28

Club News

- Members are asked to let **John Matthews** know when they are bringing a guest. **Lunches are to be paid for at sign-in (\$20)**. If they are a prospective member, the club pays for their first two meals only. Please specify if they are a prospective member.
- You may now **pay dues online** at www.ssirotary.org. Click on Online Dues Payment. Pay using PayPal, American Express, MasterCard, Visa or Discover Card.
- **Bill Warren** has information about ordering **Rotary Shirts**.
- **District raffle tickets** are available for \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Make checks out to **Rotary District 6920 Raffle**.
- The **First Tuesday** celebration will be held **Sept. 15th**.
- **Pat Storino, Jim Bruce and President Brooke** attended the District 6920 seminar in Vidalia on Saturday August 15th.
- Rotary meets on **Aug. 25th** and **Sept. 15th** at **Bonefish Grill**.
- **Gary Schwartz** will email members line up of speakers if requested. (Political presentations are not appropriate.)

Upcoming Programs

- 9/1 **Board of Directors Meeting** in the *Cypress Room*
Orientation Committee Meeting in the *Green Room* (All new member applications must be received by August 25th.)
US Senator Saxby Chambliss
- 9/8 **Karen Brubaker**, Executive Director, Hospice of the Golden Isles

President Brooke presented **Dennis Burgess** with his Blue Badge. He also welcomed **Phillip Carlyle** into Rotary and presented him with his Rotary pin and Red Badge.

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Speaker and Rotary member **Mark Podling** spoke to the club. He talked about his involvement with commercial real estate...specifically, the shopping center business.

He actually started out wanting to be an actor. In 1969 he was in the play, "The Lion in Winter" with the local Island Players. He later attended the University of Georgia on acting scholarships.

After graduating from the University of Georgia Law School he was hired by J C Penny of New York to do their South East regional office real estate legal work in 1978.

He later decided he wanted to do something more creative and build things people would enjoy. He looks upon himself as a "Lifestyle Creator". He creates an environment people can go into where they can improve the quality of their life and have experiences in those places that they can remember for a long time.

When he was with JC Penny he worked on the Glynn Place Mall shopping center in Brunswick, and did all the negotiations with Scott Hutchins.

In 2001 he became involved in the River City Market Place shopping center near the Jacksonville airport.

He explained how commercial real estate is a long-term process, which sometimes takes 10 to 20 years. High traffic counts dictate good locations for shopping centers. He gave the example of our local Target shopping center in Brunswick. Fifty-five thousand cars pass through that area daily.

He mentioned working on Project 16 West, which is in Pooler, and is West of Savannah.

He sees the next big site for commercial development in this area at exit 42 off of HWY 95. Coastal Pines Golf course is to the West and the Sea Island Company owns thousands of acres in this area. Three hundred acres have been set aside for the Wildlife Project. This area is where the growth is. He also sees HWY 17 as one day being a huge technology corridor.

Mark and his wife Sharon have a 12-year-old son and live at 407 Butler Avenue on St. Simons.

Jerry Schueneman 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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