

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

District 6920



October 13, 2009

Today's Program:

Meredith M. Deal Ivory Coast Rotary

Club

Brunswick Glynn County Jekyll Island St. Simons Island 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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Visiting Rotarians

Mack Sullivan – Brunswick Dave Smith - Brunswick

Guests/Hosts

Becky Pridmore – Brooke Pridmore Heather Delamarter – Bob Brown Leslie Lamkin – Marie Dodd

Attendance

October 6 -79 members (70 %) Plus 5 guests (for total of 84)

Greeters

10/13 Joe Mruk, Linda Muir **10/20** Mike Muldowney, Don Myers

Rotobucks:

\$51 - Chuck Cansler

<u>Birthdays</u>

Oct. 13 – 19

John Hofmann – 10/13

Don Myers – 10/18

John Turbidy – 10/18

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.
- District raffle tickets are available for \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Make checks out to Rotary District 6920 Raffle.
- If your **email address** is incorrect in the Club Directory, please email President Brooke.
- New Rotary member <u>Paul Pieschel</u> was introduced to the club by sponsoring member David Medford.
- New Rotary member <u>Steven Spandle</u> was introduced to the club by sponsoring member Jim Bruce.
- Congratulations to the following <u>for perfect attendance</u> during the <u>1st quarter</u>: Allen Berry, Pat Donahoo, Julian Flexer, Wally Forsythe, Rem Johnson, John Matthews, Jack McDonald, Gary Schwartz, Becky Stephenson and Bill Turbeville. Upcoming Programs

10-20 - Fall Social......(no luncheon meeting)

- 10/27 Justin Conway, White Oak Conservation Center
- 11/3 Classification Talks
- 11/10 Board of Directors Meeting....11:30 in the Green Room

Former School Board member, **Dave Smith** spoke on the impact of the 2007 ESPLOST. It has funded the Golden Isles Career Academy, the new Glen Middle School, and the new Jane Macon Middle School. The projects not only came in on time, but \$2,000,000 under budget.

The current Board of Education is asking for another 60 months to continue this same ESPLOST. The original will sunset December 31, 2010. The proposed projects for <u>ESPLOST 2</u> are: replace Brunswick High, build a new Risley Middle School, renovate Glynn Academy, and build a Coastal Community Center for the Arts in partnership with the College of Coastal Georgia. The college will maintain and operate the center, but the entire community would use it.

<u>ESPLOST 2</u> will be voted on in the <u>November 3rd</u> <u>election.</u>

Andy Lundell of the <u>Golden Isles Career Academy</u> spoke on the new facility. It offers high technology to focus on the business and community. It is a public school, but they operate with a different set of rules. For example, they may hire instructors who do not have an education degree. Many of the career tech programs from Brunswick High and Glynn Academy have been moved to the new facility. They are under contract with both the local and the state Board of Education. Their mission is to ensure a viable 21st century work force.

Seventeen programs are being offered. They have a block program where a student can take two courses in either the morning or the afternoon. A bus shuttle is provided from the high schools, and also a hot food service is offered.

There is something at the Career Academy for every high school student, whether they are going to graduate and go to work, or go to college. They also have work-study programs with an engineering firm.

Early college programs and credits are available in partnership with Altamaha College and the College of Coastal Georgia. The academy has support from more than 100 organizations and businesses.

There are 38 classrooms, all wired for computer access, with smart boards and other support technology. The building is wireless, and the internet-based telephones save charges.

Seven hundred high school students and 500 college students have reregistered this year. Their goal is to give every student a pathway to success.

Millard Allen introduced the speakers.



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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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