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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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Rotary Spray

Today's Program - February 1, 2011

Mayor Bryan Thompson

Bryan Thompson was elected Mayor of the City of Brunswick in November 2005, and re-elected with no opposition in November 2009. His work has centered on issues of housing, public safety, and focused, directed growth that will increase benefits and opportunities equitably for everyone in the community.

He is on several local and regional boards and committees including the TSPLOST Roundtable; Jekyll Island Advisory Committee; Glynn County Health Department; Mayor's Committee on Services for the Disabled; Policy Committee for the Brunswick Area Transportation Study (BATS), and the Archway Executive Committee. He is married to Heather Heath, Executive Director of Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association, the coordinating arts council for Glynn County and the City of Brunswick.

Program - January 25, 2011

Lorette Hoover, President, Altamaha Technical College


"Our employers are our #1 customer," according to Lorette Hoover, president of the Altamaha Technical College, who said that ATC graduates are usually snapped up by local businesses. In 2009, almost 98 percent of its graduates found jobs – in the health care field, 100 percent found jobs.

With the expansion of the college into Glynn and Camden counties in 2009, ATC became the fastest-growing two-year college in the nation. It has racked up some other impressive statistics, as well. The graduation rate is 77 percent – the highest in Georgia. For four of the past 20 years, it has had one of the highest graduation rates in the nation. Enrollment this year is 2,887; in Glynn County, 729.

Hoover noted that district Rotary Clubs have donated scholarship funds over the years. The St. Simons Rotary Club has donated five GED scholarships.

Area Rotary Clubs

Club	Venue	Day & Time
Brunswick	Brunswick Country Club	Thu. 12:45 PM
Glynn County	Brunswick Hospital	Wed. 7:30 AM
Jekyll Island	Jekyll Island Club Hotel	Wed. 7:30 AM
St. Simons Island	Sea Palms (Call before)	Tue. 1:00 PM
SSI Marshes of Glynn	Epworth – Jinks Dining Room	Thu. 7:30 AM

Guests/Hosts Katy Ginn—Club Karen Summers—Cindi Phillips Jim Killough—Linda Muir	Greeters 2/1 - Dwight Plyler, Rick Powers 2/8 - Brooke Pridmore, Don Robertson
Visiting Rotarians Lorette Hoover—Jesup Rotary Club & Last Week's Speaker	Birthdays 2/1– 2/7 Jim Bruce 2/6 
Attendance 80 Members = 66% 4 Guests Including Speaker = 84	
Rotobucks Rem Johnston \$43	

Club News

SSI Rotary Directory—Reminder: The Directory is online in our web site, www.ssirotary.org. See the opening page of the site.

Presentation of Check—\$500 to Assistant Principal Katy Ginn, St. Simons Elementary School.

First Tuesday at the House—John Matthews reminds us it's tonight, 5:30 pm at the Frederica House.

Weldon Neal—Welcome. Weldon will attend orientation next week.

District Conference—Register online for the District Conference to be held in Augusta, May 13-15.

Upcoming Programs

February 8, 2011 (Board of Directors Meeting), Classification Talks.

February 15, 2011 Heather Heath, Executive Director, Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association. Heather was instrumental in restoration of the Ritz Theatre.

February 22, 2011 The Rotary Speech Contest. .

March 1, 2011 Alan Ours, Glynn County Administrator



Lorette Hoover, our speaker for last week's program, pictured with Gary Schwartz and President Wally.

Rotary Names New Top Executive

Rotary International has named attorney John Hewko to be the global humanitarian service organization's new top executive, serving as its General Secretary, beginning 1 July.



RI President-elect Kalyan Banerjee announced the 2011-2012 RI theme, *Reach Within to Embrace Humanity*, at the International Assembly in San Diego, 17 January.

