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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 - May 17, 2011**

**Ralph Boston, Former Olympic Gold Medalist,  
 Long Jump and World Record Holder**

In 1959, Boston had a best long jump of 25-3 and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the NCAA and 4<sup>th</sup> in the AAU. One year later he had improved only 4¼" and placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the AAU, although he won the NCAA and NAIA. Suddenly he turned into a great jumper. His winning 26-6¼ at the Final Olympic Trials was wind-aided, but he had a legal 24-4¼. August 12, at Walnut, California, he broke Jesse Owens' 25-year old record by leaping 26-11¼. He won the Olympic Championship at 26-7¾. Ralph Boston's remaining accomplishments are too numerous to be listed here. We look forward to hearing more during his presentation.

**Program - May 10, 2011**


**Bill Curry, Head Football Coach, Georgia State University**

Bill shared with us many interesting stories of his days as a football player under some of the greatest coaches and the life lessons he learned. Coach Bobby Dodd at Georgia Tech taught him the importance of building relationships. Under the tutelage of Vince Lombardi, he learned about the importance of faith and priorities, and Don Shula taught him that a champion never quits in life or gives up on people.

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**Area Rotary Clubs**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Day &amp; Time</b>
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

<b>Guests</b> Carolyn Curry—Club (speaker's wife) Ed Gossage—Club Mark Johnson—Ginny Johnson Peter Nermoe—Ann Nermoe Rick Rochelle—Bob French Kendall Varney—Martin Turbidy Jim Wallner—Weldon Neal <b>Scholarship Winners and          Parents</b> Elizabeth Harrell—Winner Ann and Wallace Harrell	<b>Greeters</b> 5/17—Neal Weldon, Jim Wethern 5/24—Dick Wicker, Millie Wilcox
<b>Visiting Rotarians—None</b>	<b>Rotobucks</b> Dennis Burgess                      \$46
<b>Attendance</b> 90 Members = 77% + 11 Guests = 101 (Includes speaker)	<b>Birthdays 05/17- 05/23</b> <b>John Buchanan            May 20</b> 

### Club News

**The Challenge!** An anonymous gift of \$500 was made by one of our members to help the Alabama tornado victims. Then another anonymous gift of \$500 was made. Then the Club members came through with \$500, more than meeting the challenge to match the first gift. The anonymous gifts are anonymous no more. Many thanks to Bill Abel and Lee Scheinman who each gave \$500!

**New Members**—The board has approved Gil Nellis and Ervin Williams as new members. The red badges will be presented next week.

### Upcoming Programs

**May 24, 2011**, Alex Atwood, Georgia State Representative from St. Simons Island.

**May 31, 2011**, No meeting May 31. Taps at Twilight will be May 30.

**June 7, 2011**, Tom Sublett, Chairman, Glynn County Commission.

**June 14, 2011**, (Board of Directors Meeting). Tim Deegan, First Coast News Meteorologist and Weather Forecaster.

**June 21, 2011**, The Rotary Community Image Award and Classification Talks.

**June 28, 2011**, President's Outgoing Report.

## Program - May 10, 2011

**Bill Curry, Head Football Coach, Georgia State University**  
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Taking the lessons he learned from these great men, he successfully coached at Georgia Tech, Alabama, and Kentucky before spending 11 years as a TV analyst with ESPN. “The Fellowship of the Miserables” as he dubbed the group of people who over the years tried to make him believe he could not survive at Georgia Tech, play professionally, or successfully coach, were at work again when he decided to start a football program at Georgia State. Things like, “Are you crazy?”; “Why do you want to start a football team when there are already so many good ones?”; “You did what, you are playing Alabama?”; “You will never be successful.” Fortunately, Bill did not listen to these people and enthusiastically embraced the challenge. Football is the only sport that every player on the team needs every other player to survive. The team is based on 4 Fs: 1) Faith, 2) Family, 3) Finishing education, and 4) the Football team. Remember The Fellowship of the Miserables? Bill’s policy regarding these people is “to love them, pray for them, avoid them.” Bill stated his Georgia State University team loves to play football and will play anyone at anytime. The future looks bright for Georgia State because they have a passionate coach with a sense of humor whose name is synonymous with class and integrity.

Pictured left-to-right:  
 Martin Turbidy, Coach Curry and Club President Wally Forsythe

