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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 28, 2012
Sarah Dodson, Science Teacher, SSI Elementary
Update on District Simplified Grants
Introduction by Cathey Petkash

Program: February 21, 2012
Dr. Valerie A. Hepburn, President, CCGA
What's Happening at the College?

What's happening at CCGA? The answer is – a lot! Since her arrival as interim President of Coastal College of Georgia (*formerly Brunswick Jr. College*) three and a half short years ago, the College has been transformed from a sleepy two-year facility to a vibrant, four-year institution of higher learning offering 8 baccalaureate programs in 14 tracks, all fully accredited under the University System of Georgia. The reasons for this transformation? The main reason is President Hepburn herself! Since her inauguration as President in February of 2009, Dr. Hepburn's leadership is largely responsible for a myriad of stunning changes, new additions and robust new four-year degree programs at the College of Coastal Georgia.

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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 TBA	Greeters 2/28 Leon Jorgensen Erik Kaufmann 3/6 Jim Kielt Calder Kinney
Visiting Rotarians TBA	Birthdays 2/28—3/5 Gil Nellis 3/3 Weldon Neal 3/5
Attendance TBA Members Guests Total	
Rotobucks Stan Kyker \$37	



Club News from the February 21 Meeting

Cart Buckets: 100% to Alzheimer's Research.

The District Conference is scheduled for May 19 thru 20 in Savannah.

GSE Team from Turkey will be arriving in the US now on 4/28. They will be on SSI Monday, 4/30 and leave Wednesday, 5/2.

Book Buddies needed to read to children at FACES. Sign up with Linda Muir.

Vince Dooley will speak on March 20. Reservations must be made for guests so we have a good headcount for meal purposes.

New Member Inductions: Welcome Mary Jenrette and Boo Rice.



Last Week's Program

(left to right):

Marie Dodd,

Speaker Dr. Valerie Hepburn,
President Mike.

Upcoming Programs

March 6: Charles Lewis, *On a Mission to Africa*

March 13: (Board of Directors Meeting): Robert Mintz: Senior Manager at Rotary International

March 20: Vince Dooley

March 27: Don Mathews, Business and Public Affairs Professor of Economics, College of Coastal Georgia

Dr. Valerie A. Hepburn

What's Happening at the College?

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"We know we've arrived when we welcome our first Rotary International student this fall," reported Hepburn. "We are really excited about this initiative, as it brings unique diversity and international prominence to our campus. And, a Rotaract Chapter is probably not far behind," she added. Having just celebrated their 50th Anniversary, the new CCGA is growing in every direction, including vertically as it has recently added 8 new buildings and facilities to the campus-scape. "Literally every existing building on our campus but one has been completely renovated," she reported. The college had not seen new construction of any kind in over 30 years. "We thought you did welding," someone recently joked to her. Not only does CCGA not have welding anymore (*a certificate program which was migrated to a technical college in the region*), they offer robust four-year baccalaureate degree studies in Business Administration, Biological Sciences, Education, Health Informatics, Mathematics, Nursing and Psychology, and a Bachelor of Science degree with tracks in Public Affairs and Criminal Justice to soon follow.

"Last Spring we graduated our first baccalaureate class of 69 students with degrees in Business and Nursing," she said proudly. "And every single one of those students is now gainfully employed having passed licensing with flying colors. That's unusual by any measure!" She described the diversity of the student body. "We have many non-traditional students on our campus, not just 18 and 19-year olds. Many older students are returning to our campus to obtain higher education and a brighter future."

One of the hallmark programs that she is especially proud of is Service Learning. This valuable new initiative teaches students inside the classroom and in the real workplace, bringing a value-added experience to the whole learning process. "We are creating life-long community active graduates," she boasted. With a current enrollment of 3,500 students, CCGA is projected to surpass 4,000 students by 2015. Under Dr. Hepburn's guidance and leadership, that growth is certainly assured.

Thank you Dr. Hepburn for your witty, informative and inspiring presentation. And yes! – you can tightrope the canyon without a net. You bet you can!