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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?

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	Tue. 1:00 PM
SSI Marshes of Glynn	Epworth – Jinks Dining Room	Thu. 7:30 AM

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Rotary Spray

Today's Program: March 6, 2012

Charles Lewis

The Marion Medical Mission to Africa

Our fellow Rotarians get involved in many activities that demonstrate their commitment to "service above self." It's a pleasure to have Charles Lewis share his experiences while serving as an American volunteer with the Marion Medical Mission in Malawi, Zambia and Tanzania, Africa. In the past five years, he has spent several weeks delivering pumps, pipes and African well installers to 396 remote villages.

Program: February 28, 2012

Sarah Dodson & Vickie Sauls

St. Simons Elementary School

Update on the Rotary Simplified Grant

Where Our Money Went!

Fellow Rotarian Cathey Petkash introduced our speakers – Sarah Dodson & Vickie Sauls, both from St. Simons Elementary. Cathey's introduction included a report on how Rotary funds are being spent at the school, including purchases of science equipment and organisms.

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Upcoming Programs

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

April 3: Speech Contest

Guests —Hosts Tom Morrison—Virginia Ellis	Greeters 3/6 Jim Kielt Calder Kinney
Visiting Rotarians None 2/28	3/13 Stan Kyker Leslie Lamkin
Attendance Members 90 Guests 1 Speakers 2 Total 93	Birthdays 3/6—3/12 Dick Wicker 3/8 Scott Cown 3/8 Ralph Powers 3/9
Rotobucks Rem Johnston \$45	

Club News from our February 28 Meeting

Cart Buckets: Fill 'em up! 100% goes to Alzheimer's Research.

The District Conference is scheduled for May 19 & 20 in Savannah. Enroll through President Mike.

GSE Team Revised Schedule: Arrive U.S. from Turkey Friday, 4/27. They will be on SSI Sunday afternoon, 4/29 and leave Wednesday morning, 5/2. Jim Bruce, Wally Forsythe, Chuck Cansler, Cathey Petkash and Mike Muldowney will host the 5-person team.

Book Buddies are needed to read to children at FACES. Sign up with Linda Muir. Volunteers needed for expansion of the McIntyre Court "Imagination Room."

Amanda Lees, a junior at Georgia Southern and recipient of a Bruce/Tharp Scholarship in 2009, was awarded a scholarship to attend the University of Oslo offered by the Rotarians of Oslo, Norway, for their International Summer School. This was coordinated by GRSP and needed local Rotary Club support. Lisa Anderson and President Mike worked with Amanda on her application.

Ruth Heyward was named Realtor of the Year. Our congratulations to Ruth.

Dennis Burgess completed The Tenth Annual Southeast Georgia Health System Bridge Run across the scenic Sidney Lanier Bridge. Congratulations, Dennis.

Vince Dooley will speak on March 20. Reservations must be made for guests; we need an accurate headcount for meal purposes.

Program: February 28, 2012 Sarah Dodson - Science Teacher St. Simons Elementary School Update on the Rotary Simplified Grant *Where Our Money Went!*

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Vickie Sauls, a counselor at St. Simons Elementary, opened with a report about the mentoring program she oversees. Ms. Sauls, who has recently been named *Elementary Counselor of the Year* by the Glynn County School System, encouraged our membership to "stay involved and get involved" in the mentoring program. "It only takes about 40 minutes a week of a mentor's time, but can make such a difference in a child's life," she said. Currently, about 30 St. Simons Elementary students receive weekly mentoring from Rotary volunteers and others.

Ms. Dodson, Science Teacher, then took the podium to tell us about her compelling science program and laboratory which has been greatly enhanced by our Rotary grant funds. Formerly a microbiologist before entering the teaching profession three years ago, it is obvious that Ms. Dodson is a real asset to the school and this valuable science initiative. Her passion and interest really show. "Your Rotary grant funds have made a valuable difference in our laboratory. In 2011, your money was spent on microscopes, mineral and rock kits, and organism samples. This year we purchased lab stools for the kids' use which really helped make our lab space more user-friendly and safe. In 2012, your funds will be channeled to the creation of an organic garden." Her video and PowerPoint presentation showed kindergarten through fifth grade students learning about many aspects of science in a real learning environment. "Since the school is so close to the ocean, we use the beach and oceanic ecosystem as an extension of our classroom. Believe it or not, some of these kids tell me they have never been to the beach before!"

It's obvious from Ms. Dodson's and Ms. Saul's enthusiasm, our Rotary grant money is being well spent. For more information about how to get involved in the St. Simons Elementary mentoring and science programs, contact Cathey Petkash, or contact Ms. Sauls or Ms. Dodson at the school at 638-2851.

Thanks to all for your enlightening presentations.