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Venue Day & Time Club **Brunswick Country Club** Thu. 12:45 PM Brunswick Wed. 7:30 AM **Glynn County Brunswick Hospital Jekyll Island Club Hotel** JekvII Island 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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#### **Object of Rotary**

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

#### First

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

#### Second

High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society:

#### Third

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

#### Fourth

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

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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# St. Simons Island Rotary Club

Georgia, USA Rotary District 6920



# Rotary Spray

# Today's Program: May 15, 2012

# U.S. Customs and Border Protection Frederick J. Eisler Acting Branch Chief for the Field Operations Academy

CBP is a federal law enforcement agency of the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security charged with regulating and facilitating international trade, collecting import duties, and enforcing U.S. regulations, including trade, customs and immigration. CBP is the largest law enforcement agency in the U.S., with a workforce of more than 45,000 sworn federal agents and officers.

Their mission is to prevent terrorists and terrorist weapons from entering the U.S., apprehending individuals attempting to enter the U.S. illegally, stemming the flow of illegal drugs and other contraband, protecting agriculture from harmful pests and protecting American businesses from intellectual property theft.

## The Rotary GSE Team from Turkey. Guests of our Club 4/29—5/2.



Photo on the Left: The Team arrives 4/29. Pictured from the left are Elif Cevlik, Deniz Alpan, Onur Ozer, Ilkin Sengun, and Ilknur Ozer.

## Photo on the Right: Turkish folk dancing to close

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# the May 1 Club meeting.

## **Upcoming Programs**

May 22: The Rotary Community Image Awards

May 29 No Meeting. Taps at Twilight

# Guests—Hosts 1 Guest

Neil Sutton (PM)—Wally Forsythe & Ann Nigro

#### Club Guests (17) Scholarship Recipients & their Guests

Dalila Vazquez-Herrera Antonio Vasquez-Hipolito Guadelupe Herrera-Castro Elizabeth, Jeff & Lisa Guest Elizabeth. Patrick & Sarah Geel

Chelsea & Robin Smith

Rhonda Harrison

Becca & Sharon Bartkovich Deryn, Joe & Robin Sousa

#### **Attendance**

Members 77

Guests 18 (1 Prospective Member)

Total 95

#### Greeters

5/15 Cathey Petkash Sara Phelps 5/22 Cindi Phillips Paul Pieschel

Birthdays 5/15—5/21
Dennis Burgess 5/15
Ann Nigro 5/16
John Buchanan 5/20



Rotobucks
Bud Dorsey

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# **Club News from the May 8, 2012 Meeting**

**Cart Buckets:** Fill 'em up. 100% of funds goes to Alzheimer's Research.

**District Conference:** Scheduled for May 18 thru 20 in Savannah. Our Club will receive a 'yet-to-be-announced' award.

Congratulations to Marie Dodd and Mary Beth Wester for being selected as two of this year's honorees for the YMCA's "Tribute to Women."

**Taps at Twilight** this year will feature guest speaker Larry Taylor, Marine Major General, Retired. Jerry Schueneman and his team are to be congratulated for their work. There will be an official fly over this year.

**The Imagination Room** official opening will be Wednesday, May 16 from 10 to noon at the McIntyre Court Boys & Girls Club. Readers are needed to get the program rolling in the fall.

**The Boys & Girls Club** is recognized for their work with the area's children with a gift of \$5,000 from the club.

## St. Simons Island Rotary Club Scholarship Fund

Frank Cullen reported on the Bruce/Tharp SSI Scholarship Fund. In the past, over half of our members donated. To date, only nine have made a contribution for this fiscal year. Make your contribution online at www.ssirotary.org. The link to make a donation is on the opening page of the site.

# Last Week's Program: May 8, 2012

# Bruce/Tharp Rotary Scholarships Mike Muldowney Presiding

Since 1991, our St. Simons Rotary Club has awarded dozens of college scholarships to deserving high school students in our community. A portion of the scholarship monies originated as a gift from fellow Rotarian, Gil Tharp, who generously bequeathed these funds in his will. This year, seven young women were selected as our 2012 scholarship recipients.

The selection process began on March 1st with 26 applications being received from Glynn Academy and Brunswick High School students. These applications were reviewed by the Club's committee. Applicants were evaluated and graded by a list of criteria which included: scholarship achievement, SAT scores, honors and accolades, community involvement, work history, two letters of reference, and their personal bio. From these, 12 students were selected as semi-finalists resulting in personal interviews with each student on April 10th. On the same day, the interview panel selected seven exceptional high school students as Bruce/Tharp scholarship recipients. Six of the seven recipients attended our luncheon meeting on May 8th. One recipient, Janissa Gordon, was unable to attend. Each recipient made a short presentation including a personal thanks to our Club. They were, in order of their appearance at the podium:

**Becca Bartkovick** – Brunswick High senior who will attend College of Coastal Georgia in the fall with plans to transfer to Georgia Southern University to earn a bachelors degree in biology. Becca is orginally from Peru.

**Elizabeth Guest** – Elizabeth is this year's outstanding senior from Brunswick High School. Elizabeth will attend College of Coastal Georgia in the fall. She plans to transfer to Georgia Southern to pursue a degree in education.

**Chelsea Smith** – Chelsea is college bound to Georgia Tech after she graduates from Glynn Academy. She plans to major in bio medical engineering and hopes to pursue an advanced degree in medicine, specializing in neonatology.

**Sarah Geer** — Sarah attends Glynn Academy and will attend Georgia Tech in the fall in pursuit of a degree in chemical engineering. She hopes to continue her 13 year passion as a soccer athlete at the college level. She is also interested in pursuing ROTC.

**Dalila Vazquez-Herrera** – Dalila is from Mexico, relocating to the U.S. just four years ago as a high school freshmen at Glynn Academy knowing no English. She is now an American citizen and a scholar totally fluent in English, allowing her to pursue her studies at Emory University in the fall majoring in biology.

**Deryn Sousa** – Deryn attends Glynn Academy and is headed to UGA in the fall and will major in international studies. She hopes to develop a career with the State Department.

Congratulations to our Bruce/Tharp Scholarship recipients! Best of luck!