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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: December 13, 2011
Christmas Lunch
Program Director, Marie Dodd

Program for December 6, 2011
Did I really Want to start a Distillery?
Presented by Gilbert S. Klemann, MD

Gilbert Klemann made an interesting retirement switch from medical doctor specializing in Obstetrics & Gynecology, to partnering and ownership in a liquor distillery business. His distillery, 13 Colony Distilleries, LLC located in Americus Georgia was founded in 2008. Since then, Gil and partners have learned a lot about the liquor business and how heavily it is regulated by local, state and federal authorities. With a witty, often humorous delivery style, Gil spoke of how his distillery was originally named Rat's Nest Distillery. They changed the name for obvious reasons and proceeded to learn the distillery business from the ground up, ultimately learning to navigate the regulatory hoops governing liquor production by the TTB, BATF, FDA, OSHA, Dept of Revenue, Dept of Agriculture, Dept of Labor and State Departments too!

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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

Mary Jenrette—Marie Dodd
 *John MaMahan—Bert Flexer
 * = Prospective Member

Greeters

12/13 Bill Halderson
 Jody Haley
 1/3 Susan Hardwick
 Emily Harper

Visiting Rotarians

None for December 6.

Attendance Nov. 29

88 Club Members + 2 Guests + the speaker and his wife = 92.

Rotobucks-Bill Halderson \$35

Special 2nd Drawing for a 13 Colony Bottle of Spirits. Won by Emily Harper.

Birthdays 12/13—1/2

Eric Andreae 12/13
Sara Phelps 12/20
Erik Kaufmann 12/21
Wesley Cox 12/23
Bob Brearley 12/28
Lisa Anderson 12/29
Craig Bolint 12/31
Kent Capper 12/31
Rees Sumerford 1/1



Quarterly Dues
 Statements are out.
 Please pay now so we may
 continue to pay our bills.

Club News—December 6, 2011

CART = Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust. 100% of the CART Bucket proceeds goes to Alzheimer research.

FACES: "Book Buddies" are needed to read to children. Please sign up with Linda Muir.

Upcoming Programs

December 20: No meeting. Christmas week.

December 27: No meeting. New Year's week.

January 3: Lawrence J. Greene, Supervisory Senior, FBI: *Avoiding Identity Theft.*

January 10: (Board of Directors Meeting) Judge Lisa Godbey Wood.

January 17: Loran Smith, Sports Editor, UGA Publishing.

January 24: Jones Hooks, Jekyll Island Authority.

Gilbert S. Klemann, MD***Did I really Want to Start a Distillery?***

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As the only 'craft' (*small 'Mom & Pop'*) distillery in Georgia, 13 Colony Distillery currently produces vodka, gin, and whiskey products and will introduce their first bottles of bourbon for sale in 2012. He talked about how heavily liquor products are taxed in Georgia, adding \$17.50 of tax to every gallon of liquor produced. He spoke of the high water quality in the state of Georgia and how it adds to the quality of the liquor they create. He offered insight into how liquor is distilled and the unique chemistry that goes into it. He talked about bottling and labeling the product and joked that his "labeling machine actually puts the labels on straight about 25% of the time." It was an interesting and entertaining talk.

Thank you Gil Klemann for your uniquely informative lecture.

Nominating Committee Report

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No additional nominations have been received from the membership. As per article 1 section 1 of the bylaws of the Rotary Club of Saint Simons Island, the nominations are hereby closed.