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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

goodwill and better

beneficial to all

of the things we

think, say or do

2. Is it fair to all

concerned?

3. Will it build

friendships?

concerned?

4. Will it be

1. Is it the truth?

Club Brunswick

Area Rotary Clubs

Golden Isles—Glynn County Brunswick Hospital Jekvll Island St. Simons Island Sea Palms

Venue **Day & Time** Brunswick Country Club Thu. 12:30 PM Jekyll Island Club Hotel

Wed. 7:30 AM Wed. 7:30 AM Tue. 1:00 PM

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Rotary Spray

Today's Program: April 23, 2013 **Rotary Club of St. Simons Island Scholarships** Mike Muldowney—See Article Below

> **Community Image Awards Introduction by Bob Brown**

Rotary Club of St. Simons Island Scholarships

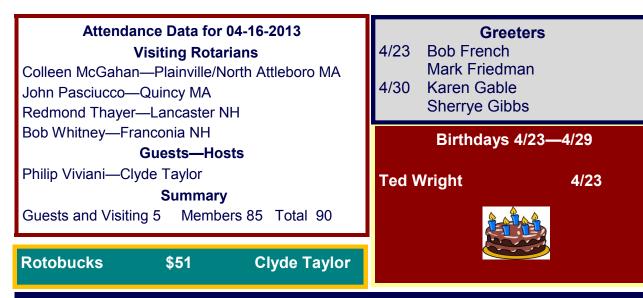
This year our club will again be awarding scholarships to graduating seniors from high schools in Glynn County. In 1961, the club formed the St. Simons Island Rotary Foundation for the purpose of making interest-free loans to deserving students to further their development with a college education. In 1991, that fund became a scholarship fund.



From the beginning over \$750,000 in scholarships have been distributed.

This year's class is another example of the students dedicated to furthering their education. Since the beginning of March we have been reviewing applications, reading resumes, recommendation letters and autobiographies of 25 students. Last Tuesday, six Rotarians sat down

for interviews with twelve students. Seven students were chosen for scholarships. From Glynn Academy, the students are: Mariana Aguiar (CCGA), Rachel Summers (GA Southern), Karis Williams (Brenau), Tyler Graff (GA Tech), Samantha Tracy (UGA), and Abby Tyre (UGA). From Brunswick High, Gabriella Benton (UGA). Members of this vear's review committee were: Mike Muldowney, Linda Muir, Dwight Plyler, Lee Scheinman, Neil Sutton, Mary Beth Wester, Charles Lewis and Jean Hurst.



Club News: April 16, 2013 Meeting

Cart Buckets – 100% to Alzheimer's Research. Raise the bucket, pass it around and give!

District 6920 Conference—Augusta—May 3-5 (Friday-Sunday). If you are planning on attending, please register on the district website and advise President John. **Blue Badge Award**—Congratulations to Bill Houseman.

Upcoming Programs

April 30: Christina Patelidas, Entertainment Coordinator at the Cloister Resort. Intro by Jim Henderson.

May 7: Jim Kielt, SSI Member and Certified Red Cross Authorized Provider: *Staying Alive, Life Saving Techniques.*

May 14: (Board Meeting). Dana Haza, President and CEO, United Way.

May 21: John Sours, Governor's Office for Consumer Affairs. Intro by Jim Henderson.



May 28: No Meeting. Taps at Twilight is May 27, 6:45 pm, Neptune Park. Guest Speaker: Maj. Gen. Larry Taylor, USMC (ret.).

June 4: Bill Dawson, General Manager of the Port of Brunswick. *Port Reporting*. Intro by Marie Dodd.

June 11: Classification Talks. Moderated by Monica Jolley.

June 18: SSI Rotary Charitable Giving Report.

June 25: President's Outgoing Message.

April 16 Program Classification Talks David Boland; Sherrye Gibbs

Moderated by Monica Jolley; Article by Jennifer Broadus

A fairly new SSI Rotary member herself, Classification Talks Chair Monica Jolley introduced two of our newest red badge members – David Boland and Sherrye Gibbs.

David Boland is a native of St. Simons Island, with ancestry dating back four generations. In fact, his ancestors from Savannah were contemporaries and acquaintances of James Ogle-thorpe and Charles Wesley. A graduate of Glynn Academy and Georgia Southern University, David actually spoke to our Rotary in 2004 after he returned from Afghanistan serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. Now, David is in a different line of work as a Financial Services Representative. You can tell that David really likes what he does for a living, and he takes it seriously. "It's an honest and ethical profession." he commented. " I take my job very seriously because my clients are entrusting me, in many cases, with their life's savings. It is a very serious responsibility." You could also hear that Boland loves the Golden Isles. "The quality of a place is how much you love it," he said. " And I love living here very much. It is home."

Red badger Sherrye Gibbs then graced the microphone telling about her diverse and interesting life. Currently the President and Managing Broker of Sea Palms Realty, Inc., this Bessemer,

Alabama, native (location of the Bear Bryant's favorite – the Bright Star Restaurant) visited the Golden Isles in the early '80s, returning in 1985, and has lived here ever since. Obviously a born salesperson, Sherrye reminded us of her key philosophy – "the customer is always right, even when they are not, and then they are still ALWAYS right." That mantra has helped her as a successful Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, as a jour-



(Left-to-Right) Sherrye Gibbs, David Boland, Club President John Matthews and Classification Talks Chair Monica Jolley.

nalist and cookbook author, as a real estate agent, a real estate instructor, and finally, as a real estate broker. She talked about her brokerage position, "It's a rewarding career, and a demanding one. Whatever the situation, it's the broker's responsibility to oversee every detail, and whatever, whenever it goes wrong, it's the broker's responsibility to take responsibility. It's a different day every day, and I love it," she confided. We can tell, Sherrye!

Thank you David and Sherrye for sharing your personal experiences with us. Welcome to St. Simons Rotary!