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President Morgan Stapleton gaveled the Rotary bell promptly at 1:00 p.m. Gil Tharp led us in singing the first verse of "America" and Bill Humphries gave the invocation.

VISITING ROTARIANS: We only had nine visiting Rotarians this week, but one of them, Larry Dunlop of Lancaster, PA, brought his Rotary-Ann, Betty. The others were: Richard Beale, Damariscotta, ME; John Rogers, Hudson, OH; Alf Dick, Barrie, Ontario, Canada; Sam West, Jekyll Island, GA; Don Carter, Brunswick, GA; Lehman Hoag, Highlands, NC; Ed Markey, Brockton, MA; and Warren Demery, Melville, NY.

GUESTS OF ROTARIANS: Don Anthony with Bud Bryde; Henry Morse with his brother, John Morse; George Ayers with John Rogers; and Robert Schuttig with Sam West.

SPECIAL GUEST: Abby Lovell was introduced by Rees Summerford. Abby is a senior at Frederica Academy and is president of the Interact Club. She is the recipient of numerous honors at the academy, including being Homecoming Queen. She gave us a few remarks about the activities of the Interact Club, some of which were: cleaning the grounds at Fort Frederica, conducting a drive for Thanksgiving baskets to help the needy, assisting the Salvation Army with their Christmas kettles, and assisting with the Special Olympics. In the future, they hope to sponsor a child in Ethiopia.

SOME NEW 39 YEAR OLDS: Roberts Bouson, Bud Bryde, and West Springhorn.

VISITATION REPORT: Welcome back to George Pierson. Lou Gabbard remains at Heritage Inn - room 209 - and he would welcome visitors. Katherine Schwartz, Karl's Rotary-Ann, is in the hospital and Margaret Edwards, Rotary-Ann of John, is at home recovering from an appendectomy.

IN MEMORIAM: Alden Smith in the recent death of his sister, Ann.

GOURMET CORNER: Menu for March 12: tossed salad with house dressing; chopped sirloin with mushroom gravy; green beans; whipped potatoes; bread and butter; and the beverage of your choice.

PROGRAM: Henry Kingdon introduced our guest speaker, Thomas A. Cordoza, Regional Commissioner for the South-East for the Internal Revenue Service. As you would expect, Mr. Cordoza had splendid credentials, starting his I.R.S. career in San Francisco in 1957. He dutifully followed the transfer procedures of the I.R.S., moving in 1964 to Brooklyn, NY, followed by moves to Boston, then Detroit. In 1974 he became Regional Commissioner of the Western Region, and in 1984, he moved to the Atlanta area as our Regional Commissioner. He equated his job as one of a General Manager, overseeing the operations in nine southeastern states, where there are two Service Centers and approximately 14,000 employees.

His speech centered on the internal operations of the I.R.S. For example, the Chamblee Service Center, on a peak day, will deposit 240,000 checks, totaling one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000). As to how they process returns, the first priority (approximately 80%) is for those taxpayers who have indicated they are due a return; next comes those who owe money; and last is the "even" audit. The I.R.S. has an annual budget of three billion dollars, but they bring in seven hundred and fifty billion dollars for that three billion - not a bad return (excuse the pun).

Gene Griffiths, Reporter