



**Rotary Club  
St. Simons Island  
Georgia, U.S.A**

**District 6920**

***Rotary Spray***

**March 6, 2007**

**Today's Program:  
David Smith  
Chairman, Glynn County  
Board of Education**

**Topic: ESPLOST**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Area Rotary Clubs Meeting</b>	<b>Day &amp; Time</b>
Brunswick	Christie's Restaurant	Thu. 1:00 P.M.
Glynn County	Christie's Restaurant	Wed. 7:30 A.M.
Jekyll Island	Jekyll Island Club Hotel	Wed. 7:30 A.M.
St. Simons Island	Sea Palms (Confirm before attending)	Tue. 1:00 P.M.
SSI Marshes of Glynn	Epworth—Jinks Dining Room	Thu. 7:30 A.M.

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**Data Reports**

Teresa Jones-King  
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**Greeters**

3/6 David Hanson  
Susan Hardwick  
3/13 Minor Harris  
Margie Henderson

**Makeups**

Clyde Taylor 2/22 Clayton, GA  
Mark Friedman 2/1 Brunswick

**Attendance**

Feb 27 77 members (67%)

**Rotobucks**

Ted Wright \$56

**Guests – Hosts**

Josh Gregory – Joe Mruk

Fred Pilgram–Mike Muldowney

***This week's birthdays***

***None***



***From the President***

- District Raffle tickets are still available.
- Remember to register for the District Conference to be held May 4-6 in Savannah. (Go to [www.rotarydistrict6920.net](http://www.rotarydistrict6920.net) to register on-line).

**Upcoming Programs**

- 3/13 - SSI Rotary Student Speech Contest**
- 3/20 - Buck Bennett: Iraq & the National Guard**
- 3/27 - Dr. Charles Adams: Epworth By the Sea**
- 4/3 - Fred Stelgis, McIntosh Development Authority**

Feb. 27, 2007

**Dr. Don Mathews**

Professor of Economics  
Coastal Georgia Community College

## **The U.S. Economy in the Global Economy**

Dr. Don Mathews, who holds a PhD from Georgia State, disputed three often heard myths about our economy:

1. *Nothing is made in America anymore.* As the Gross Domestic Product is the total market value of goods and services in a designated year, the U.S. economy grew from a GDP in 2000 of \$11 trillion to a GDP in 2006 of more than \$13.3 trillion. How then can it be said that we no longer make anything?
2. *A country is like a big corporation competing in the global marketplace.* False. Corporations have a bottom line and if unprofitable, go out of business. Countries do not.
3. *Offshoring and outsourcing are causing the U.S. to lose jobs.* Incorrect. Overall offshoring and outsourcing run on a two-way street. And in this exchange, America is a net winner.

He said politicians and journalists may view our economy as dismal, but our finest economists do not.

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## **Length of membership in the SSI Rotary Club**

Members	Length
16	-----up to 1 year
23	-----1 to 3 years
29	-----3 to 5 years
23	-----5 to 10 years
28	-----10 to 25 years
12	-----more than 25 years
131	-----Total

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### **Rotary Officers & Directors**

**International President** William B. Boyd  
**District 6920 Governor** William J. Blankenship  
**District 6920 Governor Elect** Richard Hyer  
**Assistant Governor - SSI Area** Clvde Tavior

### **St. Simons Island Rotary Club**

**President** Pat Storino  
**President Elect** Jim Bruce  
**Secretary** Maria Vogt  
**Assistant Secretary** Teresa Jones-King  
**Treasurer** Shirley Redanz  
**Assistant Treasurer** Charles Lewis  
**Immediate Past President** Kevin Lokey  
**Past Presidents' Representative** Clyde Taylor  
**Sergeant-at-Arms** Millard Allen  
**Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms** Mike Harris  
**Historians** Allen J. Berry  
Julian E. Flexer

### **Directors**

**Club Relations & Public Relations** Stan Kyker  
**Club Service & Membership** John Buchanan  
**Community Service** Leon Jorgensen  
**International Service** Mike Muldowney  
**Programs & Fellowship** Brooke Pridmore  
**Vocational Service** Chuck Cansler

### **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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