

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

District 6920

Rotary Spray

April 21, 2009 Today's Program:

Classification Talks

Club

Brunswick Glynn County Jekyll Island St. Simons Island SSI Marshes of Glynn

Area Rotary Clubs Meeting

Fourth of May
Brunswick Hospital
Jekyll Island Club Hotel
Sea Palms (Confirm before attending)
Epworth—Jinks Dining Room

Day & Time

Thu. 12:45 P.M. Wed. 7:30 A.M. Wed. 7:30 A.M. Tue. 1:00 P.M. Thu. 7:30 A.M.

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Data Reports

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Visiting Rotarians

Steve Brian - Brunswick

Guests/Hosts

Mark Podlin - Bill Hicks

Susan Abel - Bill Abel

Attendance

April 14 – 70 members (55%) (Plus 4 guests for total of 74)

Rotobucks

Eric Andreae - \$41

Greeters

4/21 Bob Brown, Jim Bruce 4/28 John Buchanan, Linda Butler

Birthdays April 21-27

Ted Wright - 4/23

Maria Vogt - 4/26



Club Notes

Board Action: The Board of Directors granted a leave of absence to **Becky Farrow**, approved **Leon Jorgensen** for the Rule of 85, and accepted the resignations of **Dennis Beacham** and **Ron Watson**.

New Member: President Chuck introduced new member **Dennis Burgess**. Dennis was born in England in the 1930s and has vivid memories of going to school during the London blitz. After service in the British army, he joined the oil tanker subsidiary of British Petroleum, which moved him to the United States in the 1970s. He retired in 1992 and moved to St. Simons in 2006. He is completing a year's service as president of Island Newcomers.

Membership Report: As of April 14, total club membership stood at 130, the same number we had on July 1, 2008. We added nine active members and lost eight, while losing one honorary member. We now have 125 active and five honorary members.

Upcoming Programs

- 4/28 Daniel J. Kaufman President Georgia Gwinnett College
- 5/5 Restoration of Lady Liberty John Turbidy
- 5/12 Community Image Awards
- 5/19 Ed Bruce Scholarship Awards
- 5/26 No Meeting (Week of Taps at Twilight)

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Rusty Bolt Real Estate Prices on St. Simons

Russell Bolt – who owns and operates (with partners) two real estate companies: Century 21 American Heritage in Brunswick and Century 21 Island Development Company on St Simons Island – said listings are up and prices are down during this economic downturn.

He says that "in this market, being a real estate broker means you are getting broker and broker."

Bolt, who spoke to our club in 2007, said that property sellers are reducing prices and potential buyers are submitting "lowball" offers.

Bolt expects a "slow recovery" in the housing market beginning in late 2009 or early 2010.

He is a Glynn County Airport Commissioner, serving as chairman this year.

He holds a BS in Economics from the United State Air Force Academy, and an MA in Economics from the University of Pittsburgh, PA.

Serving to the rank of colonel in the United States Air Force, he was a pilot with flight time in the F-4 Phantom, F-15 Eagle, and F-15E Strike Eagle. He commanded a fighter squadron, a group and a wing, and served as Chief, Office of Defense Cooperation, at the U.S. Embassy in London.

His first real estate deal came at Nellis AFB, NV (Las Vegas), where he orchestrated a \$36.5 million land swap to buy for the Air Force critical land surrounding the base to preserve the mission of flying training with live bombs and live ordnance

He and his wife, Arlene, have two sons and a daughter. They moved from St Simons Island to Old Town Brunswick in 2006 after spending seven years - weekends and holidays - renovating a 1880s home.

(Marie Dodd introduced our speaker.)

Guests Policy

President Chuck has requested that members **call or e-mail Gary Schwartz** (634-3555 or glsai@comcast.net) when they plan to bring guests so that we can order adequate meals.



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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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