

## St. Simons

# Rotary Spray

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# **CLUB NEWS**



#### **Guests at the June 18 Meeting**

**Cole Allison** Apprentice to Lee Beckman

Walker Lewis Chip Lewis's Granddaughter



#### **ROTABUCKS JUNE 18**

\$30

And the winner was...

**Stan Kyker** 

But no joker!



#### **Birthdays**

**Paul Pieschel** 

June 30

**Becky Farrow** 

July 1

#### Reminder

No meeting July 2 - July 4th Week

Big Greek salad with feta, tomatoes, cucumber, and olives. Lamb Gyros with tzatziki and pita. Chef's choice dessert.



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#### June 18 Meeting

### Lee Beckman Georgia Ports Authority



Lee explained that the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA) has a 13-member board whose objective is to create jobs in Georgia and revenue through international trade. The Georgia ports are not leased to a 3rd party operator that extracts profits for stakeholders. In Georgia, the money is reinvested in the Ports system. Currently, the facilities generate 561,000 jobs, create \$33 billion in income and \$3.8 billion in State and local taxes from \$140 billion in sales. The Port

Authority is self-sustaining and does not receive money from the State.

Brunswick 2nd only to Baltimore in the number of vehicles but is expected to surpass Baltimore in the future due to larger acreage. Savannah is a very large container port. Lee stressed that the supply chain includes not just ships, but also roads, trains, barges. GPA has 3 major inland facilities to handle the goods after leaving the port. There are several projects that have been funded for expansions in ports including a 4th berth in Brunswick and a harbor extension. The GPA wants to keep a 20% gap between capacity and demand due the fluctuation in demand so the supply chain can run smoothly. The ability to get goods from ship to destination is faster than large West Coast ports and contributes to the growth of the Georgia ports.

**Upcoming Satellite Club meeting:** 

6/27 Brunswick Library Conference Room (next to children's section)

5:30 - 6:30

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## July 9 Meeting

**President Kern Outlines Goals for the NEW Rotary year** 

Pryce May and the Golden Isles Film Festival Team will Update us on their Plans & Challenges





**Area Rotary Club Meetings** 

Brunswick Embassy Suites Thurs, 12:00 pm
Golden Isles Kemble Center, SGHS Wed., 7:30 am
Jekyll Island Jekyll Island Golf Club Wed., 7:30 am
St. Simons Best Western Tues., 1:00 pm

#### ROTARY WEBSITES

www.ssirotary\_org - St. Simon Rotary Website
www.rotarydistrict6920.org - District 6920 Website
www.facebook.com/rotaryssi - St. Simons Rotary Facebook
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#### **Four Way Test**

Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL &
better FRIENDSHIP?
Is it BENEFICIAL to all
concerned?