St. Simons

Rotary Spray

David Ulrich, Tuesday, February 4

Guest: David Ulrich, Military Advisor, Logistics and Fundraising

US Army SFC (ret), **David Ulrich**, is a Military Advisor, Logistics and Fundraising, for Fairways for Freedom. He grew up in Stoughton, MA. His father is a Vietnam veteran (Purple Heart) and a retired Boston Police Detective. At Stoughton High School Ulrich excelled at baseball, where he was crowned "Homerun King." (His longest home run was measured at 441 feet.) While in his senior year in high school he enlisted in the Army as a Military Policeman.

After graduating from MP School, Ulrich turned his focus to his true passion, cooking. He enrolled in Culinary School while remaining in the 972nd MP Company in West Newton. After working under numerous famous chefs, he took a position as an Executive Chef until Sept. 11, 2001.

He was activated to federal service under Operation Noble Eagle to conduct security operations at Boston's Logan Airport and was then recruited to what would become the Federal Air Marshal Service. He was now a Sergeant First Class Military Police Investigator and Intelligence NCO with the Headquarters Company, 211th MP Bat.

On July 1st, 2002, Ulrich and six others from his unit deployed to Afghanistan and served as the Provost Marshal's Office. Ulrich led teams in a Taliban surface-to-air missile buyback program with Special Operations Command.

His first child was born on Sept. 11, 2002 while he was in Afghanistan. David came home in March, 2003, and while visiting his family he received a call to return to Fort Drum, NY, to deploy to Iraq.

While in Iraq he served as an Intelligence NCO and was chosen to be the head Intelligence officer for taskforce Enforcer, to restore law and order in Fallujah. Ulrich was wounded while conducting intelligence operations at the Fallujah Police Station. On Aug. 5, 2003 his team came under attack from several positions. Insurgents exploded a vehicle-borne IED that killed and wounded several Iraqi police officers. RPGs were launched directly behind David's vehicle, exploding on impact. Shrapnel struck David's face, neck, back of head and leg. He returned home in October, 2003.

David resumed as an Air Marshal until his disabilities prohibited him from performing those duties. David's combat awards include: Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Purple Heart, six Army Commendation Medals, two with Valor devices, Combat Action Badge and the US Cavalry Order of the Stetson and Golden (combat) Spurs.

Today, Ulrich and his wife, Jenette, live in Saint Simons Island, GA, with his daughter. He is going back to school to complete his credentials in sports science and nutrition.



Meatloaf and mashed potatoes with baby carrots. Big salad with tomatoes and cucumbers. Chef's choice dessert.

Rotabucks, January 28

\$ 22 And the winner was... Gary Schwartz And the joker for \$45 ! Congratulations!







January 28th Meeting



Kat Hoyt, President McIntosh Chamber of Commerce, gave an informative presentation of local updates from Georgia Shrimping to Buc-ee's. Members had plenty of questions for her.

Kern Baker, President, had the following updates:

Due to health issues, our reader program has 2 openings.Please let us know if you would be interested.

Our speech contest is coming up.

Transcripts are in for our 118 students enrolled in our scholarship program.All are doing well.

Janice Lamattinareminded us that there is still an opening for RYLA, Rotary Youth leadership Awards.Here is the link for the

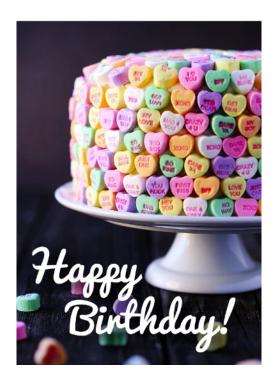
application: https://www.rotarydistrict6920.org/ryla-club-registration/_

February Birthdays

James (Jim) R. Bruce Jr.February 06 Samuel (Douglas) Sharp February 07 Ward Schaumberg February 09 Jonna Kerrigan February 11 Marion W. Moore February 18

Rotary February Membership Anniversaries

Amy Abbott 1 Tom R. Jackson 1 Stanley (Stan) Kyker 22 Robert (Bob) Moeller Jr. 2 Lindy (Ryan) Moore 4 Ann F. Nermoe 34





	<u>Area Rotary</u>	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

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Will it build GOODWILL & better FRIENDSHIP?

Is it BENEFICIAL to all concerned?