

St. Simons

Rotary Spray

Johnny Evans, Tuesday, March 18

Guest: President College of Coastal Georgia

Dr. Johnny L. Evans, Jr. was named the seventh President of the College of Coastal Georgia on January 14, 2025. Prior to that, he served as the College's Interim President.

Dr. Evans assumed the role of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the College of Coastal Georgia on January 1, 2019.

Known for his dedication to fostering strong academic programs that deliver transformative educational experiences, Dr. Evans prioritizes student success, drawing from his own formative years as a student at Georgia College. He attributes much of his academic success to the deep care and mentoring provided by his faculty mentors.

Dr. Evans is a distinguished scholar. He holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Georgia College and a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the University of Florida. His academic journey includes postdoctoral research roles at Oak Ridge National Labs and Savannah River Labs.

Dr. Evans spent the first 13 years of his academic career at Lee University in Cleveland, Tennessee, where he was a Professor of Chemistry and Physics and the Chemistry Program Coordinator. Before joining Coastal Georgia, Dr. Evans held leadership positions as the Dean of Math and Science and subsequently as the Dean of Arts and Sciences at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College from 2013 to 2019.

Outside of his professional endeavors, Dr. Evans finds joy in the outdoors and expresses his creativity as an avid artist and metal sculptor. His artwork, crafted from steel, brass, and copper, reflects his passion for capturing the beauty of nature through sculpture.





Veggies and ranch. BBQ pork on slider buns with coleslaw and pasta salad. Chef's choice dessert.

March 11th Meeting





Ryan Moore, President and CEO Brunswick & Glynn County Development Authority, joined us to discuss new and continuing development in Glynn County.Ryan started his presentation by stating that a person willing to show up and speak up to make things better is rare.He thanked fellow Rotarian,**Donna Davis**, for being such a person. The presentation focused on the roll on and roll off business at the Port of Brunswick which is now the biggest facility for RoRo.He also spoke about new businesses that are coming to Glynn County such as Buc-ee's, an unnamed delivery company, and Wallenius Wilhelmsen.



GRSP student,**Zuzzana Ignaszak**, celebrated her spring break at CCGA at our Rotary Meeting.

Incoming President, **Debbie Britt**, thanked **Terri Bennett** for accepting the role to chair the speakers and **Amy Abbott**f or accepting the role of public image.





Paul Pieschel shared with us that Mliton Leggett would be leaving SSI Rotary soon due to a move to Atlanta.



Rebecca Farrow shared the good news that we have over 45 applications for scholarships.

Jim Henderson had a Saint Patrick's joke for us.







The Salvation Army thanked **SSI Rotary** for their outstanding Kettle Donations at Christmas.





Graduates of RLI in Augusta last weekend included **Beverly Trainor** and **Kern Baker**.



March Birthdays

Russell C. (Rusty) Bradford, March 2 Ralph A. (Rick Jr.) Powers, March 9 Tom R. Jackson, March 11 William P. (Bill) Ballard, March 24 Virginia R. (Ginny) Johnson, March 25





Rotary March Membership Anniversaries Milton (Milt) Leggett, 1 Virginia Rogers Ellis, 4 Anna K Mansfield, 7 Alison H Schueneman, 9 Janice C. Lamattina, 9 Robert E. (Robbie) Strange, 10 Susan M. Imhoff, 15 John D. Rose, 15 Michael R. (Mike) Muldowney, 24 Lisa W. Anderson, 26

Area Rotary Club Meetings

BrunswickEmbassy SuitesGolden IslesKemble Center, SGHSJekyll IslandJekyll Island Golf ClubSt. SimonsBest Western

Thurs, 12:00 pm Wed., 7:30 am Wed., 7:30 am Tues., 1:00 pm

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Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL & better FRIENDSHIP?

Is it BENEFICIAL to all concerned?