



St. Simons

February 10, 2026

Rotary Spray

Executive Director Land Trust

Guest: Emily Ellison, Land Trust



Emily Ellison, a sixth-generation Georgian, grew up hiking and camping with her parents and siblings, and nearly all her favorite activities still include being outside, surrounded by nature – gardening, hiking, biking, kayaking, and occasionally playing a round of golf. Although she had planned to retire upon moving to St. Simons full-time in 2015, one trip to Cannon’s Point Preserve won her heart, and she is honored to be a member of the Land Trust team. A former journalist, book editor, and writer, Emily is the author of several published books, including the award-winning novel, *The Picture Makers*. Emily has also been a non-profit executive for more than 25 years. She was the visionary and co-founder of the Atlanta Girls’ School, a nonsectarian college-preparatory school for girls; served for five years as the President and Executive Director of Literacy Action, Inc., a community organization working with undereducated adults; and, immediately before moving to the Georgia coast, was the CEO of the YWCA of Greater Atlanta, a nearly 120-year-old Atlanta nonprofit serving women, children, and families. She is Trustee Emerita of the Atlanta Girls’ School and serves on the Board of Directors of Friends of Fort Frederica. She is married to Chuck Perry, a retired journalist, editor, and book publisher, and they are the proud parents of one adult daughter who lives with her husband in a historic area of Brunswick, Georgia.

What's for
Lunch?

Tex Mex salad with corn, beans, cheddar and spicy ranch. Sides of blackened salmon and chicken. Tortilla chips and guacamole. Chef's choice dessert.

Announcements

REMINDERS

Meeting Time:

Lunch 12-12:30

Ring the bell at 12:30

Dismiss 1:30

Speech Contest Dates:

Local Contest 2/24/2026

Zone Contest 4/11/2026

District Contest at Macon 5/1-2

Happy News

Ann Nermoe received great health news that she has graduated from treatment from 2 doctors. In addition, she was congratulated for being a rotary member for 35 years.



Announcements

MAP Volunteer Work 1/29/2026



SSI Rotary Meeting 2/3/2026



Our speaker was **Eddy Sams**, BOE Glynn County Schools

She discussed different career paths that the high school offers for students either to enter the trades or to go to college. In addition, she discussed mental health for the students after covid.

Announcements

Did you ring the bell? If so, you are invited...



YOU'RE
invited

**Community Appreciation
Dinner**

March 5, 2026
AT 6:30PM

Must RSVP before March 2, 2026
by Calling 912-216-9067 or email:
elaine.mcneal@uss.salvationarmy.org

First Baptist-Brunswick
Fellowship Hall
708 Mansfield Street
Brunswick, GA 31520



There is no reward equal to that of
doing the most good to the
most people in the most need.

Announcements

More Happy News!



At the International Assembly in Orlando **Beverly Trainor** meets **Olayinka "Yinka" Hakeem Babalola**, the Rotary International President 2026-27. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Nigeria.



Paul Pieschel and **Jim Henderson** at cooking school while on vacation! Both are on a cruise. When they return, we will ask about cooking tips. Someone needs to tell the ship that Jim is multi talented for joke telling and karaoke leader.

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Bruce, James R. Jr. (JIM)	06 February
Sharp, Samuel Douglas (DOUGLAS)	07 February
Schaumberg, Ward (WARD)	09 February
Benefield, Harrison Delaney (HARRISON)	10 February



Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Years(P)	Total
Kyker, Stanley R.(STAN)	02/11/03	23	0	23
Nermoe, Ann F.(ANN)	02/01/91	35	0	35
Moore, Lindy Ryan(RYAN)	02/16/21	5	0	5
Moeller, Robert Jr.(BOB)	02/14/23	3	19	22
Jackson, Thomas R.(TOM)	02/20/24	2	0	2
Abbott, Amy(AMY)	02/13/24	2	0	2

Area Rotary Club Meetings

Brunswick	Brunswick Country Club	2nd&4th 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., 12:30 -1:30 pm with lunch at noon

ROTARY WEBSITES

- www.ssirotary.org - St. Simon Rotary Website
- www.rotarydistrict6920.org - District 6920 Website
- www.facebook.com/rotaryssi -St. Simons Rotary Facebook
- www.facebook.com/Rotary6920 - District Facebook Page

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?