



St. Simons

May 5, 2026

Rotary Spray

Speaker: 2026 Scholarship Recipients

Saint Simons Island Rotary Scholarship Fund recipients will be at our Tuesday meeting. Recipients must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. In addition, the recipients must be graduating seniors of an accredited Glynn County High School.

The scholarship awards vary in number and size each year. The club typically awards scholarships of \$3000 per year for 4 years of undergraduate study (\$1500 for each of the fall and spring semesters).

The College or University may be in or outside the state of Georgia and must be fully accredited. Recipients are selected based on scholarship, leadership, community service and other demonstrations of personal character, as well as financial need.

SSI Rotary Scholarship Recipients:

Sam Herdon, Laila Gilbert, Annabelle Lee, Elizabeth Temple, and Emmeline Griffith

The St Simons Island Rotary Scholarship Fund also assists the family of Millard and Frances Allen in awarding a scholarship established to honor the Allens' memory to students in our community who strive to make a meaningful impact in both their local community and the world beyond.

The Millard and Frances Allen Scholarship for Future Leaders honors one graduating senior in Glynn County each year. Millard and Frances were defined by faith, family, service, and leadership. This award recognizes students who embody the Allens' spirit of community involvement, academic excellence, and integrity. One student will be selected each year to receive a one-time scholarship award of \$1,000 from the Allens' estate.

Millard & Frances Allen Scholarship for Future Leaders recipient:

Lillian Roberts

SSI Rotary Meeting 4/28/2026



Luna Santos, GRSP student, gave a review of her year at the College of Coastal Georgia.

Michael R. Muldowney recognized **Tom Jackson** as a Paul Harris Fellow.



SSI Rotary Meeting 4/28/2026



Jim Hunter was officially welcomed to SSI Rotary with his name badge.

4-H Camp Update



Great news from Jim Kielt: We've raised \$2200 together with the Golden Isles Bridge Club-enough for 7 campers for a week at 4H camp.

Thanks to everyone's generosity for the \$'s and the luggage!

Reading Rockets



Linka Lewis's last day of reading for Reading Rockets.



20 Days to Go!

**STAR of Coastal Georgia's
2026 STARgazing Low Country Boil**


Thursday, May 7th, 2026

5:30pm-8:30pm, Village Creek Landing

Get your tickets today!

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What's for
Lunch?

Surcheros taco bar: Marinated and Grilled Chicken Breast & Ground Beef, Soft Flour Tortillas, Shredded Monterey Jack Cheese, Shredded Lettuce, Pico de Gallo, Guacamole, Sour Cream, Chips & Salsa and White Cheese Dip

REMINDERS

Serbian Visitors May 7-10

The following activities are open to members. If you would like to join any of the activities, please email dghamsa@gmail.com

Thursday May 7

Lunch Marshside Grill 11 AM-12:45 PM

Tour Golden Isles College & Career Academy with Host Brian Weese 1-3 PM

Friday May 8

Tour Tabby Slave Cabins, Trolley Ride SSI

Saturday, May 9

1-3 pm Sail on Tall Ship Link Check in 12:45 pm Trip will include a boxed lunch

2026 STARgazing Low Country Boil

May 7, 2026, from 5:30–8:30 p.m. at Village Creek Landing on St. Simons Island

Meeting Time

Lunch 12-12:30

Ring the bell at 12:30

Dismiss 1:30

SSI ROTARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: William Ballard

Secretary: Pamela Hamilton

Treasurer: Robert Strange

Past President: Paul Kern Baker

Membership Chair: Suzanne Cansler

Programs Chair: Terri Bennett

Foundation Chair: Michael Muldowney

Fundraising Chair: Donna Davis

Grants Chair: Susan Imhoff

Club Directors: Erik Kaufmann, Thomas Jackson, Amy Abbott, Terri Bennett, James Henderson and Suzanne Cansler

District Governor 2026-2027: Beverly Trainor

Opoid Abatement Trust Coordinator: Beverly Trainor

Zone 34 Asst Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator: Hamsa Thota

Meeting Coordinators: Eric Kaufmann, Joe Leek

SSI and District Newsletter: Amy Abbott

Social Media: Terri Bennett

SSI and District Rotary Website: Joe Leek

Taps at Twilight Coordinator: Susan Imhoff

Speech Contest Coordinator: Jim Kielt

Publicity: Jim Henderson

Invocation - John Matthews

Reading Rockets: Tom Jackson, Lynice Jackson, Jim Kielt, Fran Kielt and Kern Baker

Scholarship Committee: Chairman/President – Drew Holland, **Secretary** – Becky Farrow, **Treasurer** – Jim Bruce, Gary Schwartz, Beverly Trainor, Janice Lamattina, Stan Kyker, Bob Moeller, Ann Nermoe, Ward Schaumberg, Brooke Pridmore, Kern Baker

SSI Rotarians (by length of service)

Member Anniversaries	Years(SSI)	Total (ALL)
Wethern, James D.(JIM)	0	54
Sumerford, Rees M.(REES)	0	50
Thota, Hamsa(HAMSA)	0	48
Leek, Joseph H.(JOE)	29	39
Nermoe, Ann F.(ANN)	0	35
Coke, Cecil R. Jr.(CECIL COKE)	31	35
Sanders, Paul H III(NICK NAME: SANDY)	0	32
Bradford, Russell C.(RUSTY)	29	31
Lewis, Charles (Chip) P. Jr.(CHIP)	29	30
Kaufmann, Erik(ERIK)	0	28
Lewis, Charles(CHARLES)	0	28
Anderson, Lisa W.(LISA)	0	27
Sharp, Samuel Douglas(DOUGLAS)	20	27
Bruce, James R. Jr.(JIM)	0	25
Muldowney, Michael R.(MIKE)	0	25
Andreae, Eric(ERIC)	0	24
Kielt, James P.(JIM)	9	24
Kyker, Stanley R.(STAN)	0	23
Donahoo, Dorothy Ann(DOT)	0	23
Gussman, William R.(BILL)	0	22
Pridmore, Brooke M.(BROOKE)	0	22
Moeller, Robert Jr.(BOB)	19	22
Schwartz, Gary L.(GARY)	0	21
Matthews, John H.(JOHN)	0	21
Pappas, Stephen G.(STEVE)	20	21
Friedman, Mark(MARK)	0	20
Pieschel, Paul(PAUL)	0	17
Gibson, John A.(JOHN)	2	17
Imhoff, Susan M.(SUSAN)	0	16
Rose, John D.(JOHN)	0	16
Johnson, Virginia R.(GINNY)	0	16
Goehring, Chad E.(CHAD)	0	15
Davis, Donna M(DONNA)	0	15
Trainor, Beverly J.(BEVERLY)	0	15
Holland, Kyle A.(KYLE)	0	13
Strange, Robert E. IV(ROBBIE)	0	11
Sexton, James R.(JAMES)	0	11
Wilson, Mark(MARK)	0	11
Lamattina, Janice C.(JANICE LAMATTINA)	0	10
Schueneman, Alison H.(ALISON)	0	10
Murphy, Robert M(MIKE)	0	10
Killgallon, John C.(JOHN)	0	10
Mansfield, Anna K K.(ANNA K)	0	8
Gumaer, Lucia(LUCIA)	0	8
Baker, Paul Kern Jr.(KERN)	0	8
Hamilton, Pamela M.(PAMELA)	0	7
Thota, Sindhu H.(SINDHU)	0	7
Henderson, James K.(JIM)	0	7
Cartwright, Dialo M(DIALO)	0	7
Muldowney, Nancy(NANCY)	0	6
Ballard, William P.(BILL)	0	6
Kitchens, Parker A(PARKER)	0	6
Farrow, Rebecca R.(BECKY)	0	5
McGinnis, Kimberly W.(KIMBERLY)	0	5
Moore, Lindy Ryan(RYAN)	0	5
Cansler, Suzanne J(SUE)	0	5
Elliott, Jason(JASON)	0	4
Schaumberg, Ward(WARD)	0	3
Humphreys, Stan(STAN)	0	2
Jackson, Thomas R.(TOM)	0	2
Abbott, Amy(AMY)	0	2
McMillan, Charles(CHARLES)	0	2
Bennett, Terri(TERRI BENNETT)	0	2
Jones, Reddick M Jr.(REDDICK)	0	1
Benefield, Harrison Delaney(HARRISON)	0	1
Hunter, James H III(JIM)	0	0

Rotary Volunteer Opportunities

Reading Rockets

Reading Rockets program promotes early literacy by having volunteers read to Pre-K, kindergarten, and first-grade students in Glynn County schools. The program has been running for over 14 years.

Contact Kern Baker to volunteer kern.baker@gmail.com

Second Harvest Food Bank

Volunteer Opportunities in Brunswick. Third Wednesday of every month at North Glynn Rec Center from 9am-noon. **Contact Jim Kielt at jim.kielt@yahoo.com for more details.**

Or, contact our Southeast Branch Programs Coordinator, Liz Ballenger at (912) 567-1205 or lballenger@helpendhunger.org

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies provides nutritious food for elementary school students on free and reduced meal assistance, helping them through the weekends.

Each Bag Includes: 2 milks, 2 juices, 2 proteins, 2 fruits/veggies, 2 breakfast items, and 4 snacks

Coordinated by Susan Shipman, this program involves packing backpacks with nutritious food on Wednesdays.

Coordinator: Susan Shipman.

Location: 6329 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522.

Contact: <https://ccfssi.onechurchsoftware.com/public/groups/63>



Member Birthdays	Birthday
Sexton, James R. (JAMES)	11 May
Bennett, Terri (TERRI BENNETT)	15 May
Imhoff, Susan M. (SUSAN)	27 May

Member Anniversaries	Start Date	Years	Years(P)	Total
Kaufmann, Erik(ERIK)	05/01/98	28	0	28
Sumerford, Rees M.(REES)	05/05/76	50	0	50
Ballard, William P.(BILL)	05/16/20	6	8	14
Kitchens, Parker A(PARKER)	05/16/20	6	0	6

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?