



St. Simons

Rotary Spray

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February 7th Meeting



Robert Bruton
Victim or Survivor



Robert “Chief” Bruton worked in law enforcement as well as crisis intervention and victim services counseling where he learned that anyone can be a victim of a crime, including policemen. Surprisingly, more men are victims of violent crime than women. The biggest contributor to criminal activity is drug trafficking. Crimes of passion are another large percentage of violent crime. One out of four women are sexually assaulted before age 18 and one out of ten men are sexually assaulted before age 18. Chief noted that poverty is not a

contributing factor to sexual abuse.

Chief Bruton emphasized that the best way to avoid becoming a victim is to avoid distractions and always be aware of your surroundings. Cell phones are one of the biggest distractions. Also, look at the people around you, the cars parked near you, and general surroundings for anything unusual. He also encouraged us to look confident and make eye contact with people we pass. He emphasized the importance of trusting our instincts – if something doesn’t feel right or look right, we should remove ourselves from the situation.

Chief Bruton is currently the owner of the American Patriot Gun Club in Hortense, Ga. 912-222-6377

February 14 Meeting

Janice Lamattina
Trip to Benin, Africa



Members may remember Janice Lamattina's presentation after her trip to Mongolia. Since then, her intrepid travels have included Papua New Guinea, Toraja in the mountains of a remote Indonesian island, trekking with mountain gorillas, Ethiopia and Uzbekistan. She recently returned from the West African country of Benin, a former French colony that was one of the largest ports for enslaved people and where voodoo is still practiced - along with formalized religions- by the majority of the people. She will

share what she learned about this country's history and the culture of its many tribes. To read her blog in *Elegant Island Living* on this, or any of her trips, click on

<http://www.elegantislandliving.net/blogs/on-the-road-with-janice/otrwj-benin-voodoo-pt-1>

Upcoming Meetings February 14

Board Meeting

10:45 - 11:45

3409 Frederica Road

The meeting on February 14 will be HYBRID - at the Best Western and by Zoom

Zoom 12:45 PM for 1:00 PM meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/981201782?pwd=cmZzRjFqRi9HVVDyZQjczRDRnSnBqQT09>



MEMBER NEWS

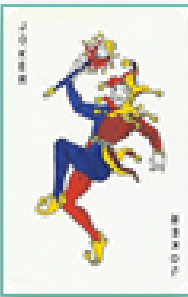


Birthdays
 Marion Moore 2/18



**IMAGINE
 ROTARY**

Guests at the February 7 meeting
Bob Moeler
Jay Hodges



ROTABUCKS JANUARY 31
\$19
And the winner was...
Georgia Usry
but no Joker!



Pam Hamilton and Jim Henderson completed CPR and AED instruction from Jim Kielt .



Please direct all Rotary Cares to Jonna Kerrigan at jonnak@ameritech.net or to President Tate at wsimpson140@gmail.com

Chicken piccata with mushrooms, capers and lemon and fettucine. Big salad with Buffalo mozzarella, tomatoes and fresh basil. Chef's choice dessert.



UPCOMINGEVENTS

Registration is open for the District Conference at Callaway Gardens April 28 - April 30. Click [HERE](#) to register.

<u>Area Rotary Club Meetings</u>		
Brunswick	Brunswick Country Club	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/Zoom HYBRID	Tues., 1:00 pm

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