

Rotary
Club of Thomasville






WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 17, 2019

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Thursdays, 12:00 pm
The Plaza Restaurant
217 South Broad Street
Thomasville, GA 31792 

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Jim also contributes generously: he is a Major Donor, Paul Harris Society member and Bequest Society member with the Rotary Foundation and a Will Watt Fellow with the Georgia Rotary Student Program.

Professionally, Jim owns Franchise Marketing Advisors, a franchise consulting practice. A Certified Franchise Executive, Jim has enjoyed a long career in franchising with many notable brands. Believing that franchising can open the door for anyone to the great American dream, Jim promotes franchising through his service with the International Franchise Association's (IFA), the Southeast Franchise Forum, and the Georgia State Franchise Entrepreneurship Advisory Board. He is Chairman Emeritus of the Georgia Restaurant Association and a member of Georgia State University's School of Hospitality Industry Advisory Board. He is past chairman of the Atlanta Chapter of the American Institute of Wine and Food, and an award-winning past president of the restaurant division of the Georgia Hospitality and Travel Association.

A native of Savannah, Jim is also active in the community. He is past chairman of the Housing Authority of Fulton County and the Private Industry Council of Atlanta. In Sandy Springs, he has served on several boards and commissions, including the Sandy Springs Charter Commission. He is a graduate of the Citizen's Police Academy, a member of American Legion Post 201 and served as an officer in the Georgia National Guard.

Jim and his wife Donna live in Sandy Springs, where they are active in the Dunwoody United Methodist Church. They have a son and a daughter who have blessed them with three grandsons and two granddaughters.

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COATS, BLANKETS, SWEATERS NEEDED

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Meetings

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- 12/19 Official Visit for District Governor Jim Squire
- 12/26 NO Meeting today - Merry Christmas
- 1/2 Regular Meeting
- 1/9 IMPROVING ELEMENTARY EDUCATION IN THOMASVILLE AT SCOTT AND HARPER SCHOOLS.

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 12/6 Andy Sheppard
- 12/10 Andy Jones
- 12/11 Eric Ward
- 12/13 Bob Drummond
- 12/14 Walter Gilbert
- 12/16 John Bracey, Jr.
- 12/16 Mike Bixler
- 12/23 Eugene McNease
- 12/24 Carlton Bryant
- 12/25 Oscar Mims
- 12/29 Susie Shin
- 12/31 Rob Milberg
- 12/31 Lisa Billups
- 12/31 Robert Jackson
- 12/31 Sally Hernandez
- 12/31 Tara Hagan
- 12/31 Dawn Hunnewell

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/1 Harry Tomlinson (40)
- 12/11 Rankin Smith, Jr. (28)
- 12/19 George Stephens, Jr. (67)
- 12/21 Fran Milberg (50)
- 12/22 Shelba Sellers (28)
- 12/27 Frederick Buechner (44)
- 12/27 Matt Brown (29)
- 12/29 Joe Brown (61)
- 12/30 Tim Filston (24)

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YEARS OF SERVICE

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| 12/1 | Scott Rich (42) |
| 12/1 | Rebecca Strickland (16) |
| 12/1 | Pat McLeod (32) |
| 12/2 | John Brown (9) |
| 12/3 | Thomas Carlton (4) |
| 12/3 | Howard Stephens (4) |
| 12/13 | Gerhard Sommer (18) |
| 12/13 | John Blackmon (1) 4 years in Rotary |
| 12/13 | Matt Brown (1) 5 years in Rotary |
| 12/13 | Julie Cannady (1) |
| 12/13 | Susie Shin (1) |
| 12/13 | Barbara Williams-Anderson (1) |
| 12/18 | Shanna Derby (5) |
| 12/18 | Frank Helms (5) 6 years in Rotary |

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