

**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville




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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

July 6, 2021

July is New Rotary Year Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792 

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## This Week's Program

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Our Farm is a popular attraction in Valdosta, GA. Families bring their children and friends to spend time with our animals. Some of our animals have become local celebrities. There have been news articles written about them over the years. Which has created quite the buzz. People have come to meet them and quickly fall in love with them. There is something about meeting them that melts away the daily stresses of life.

## It's a New Rotary Year and We Have New Officers and Directors

President: Wayne Newsome  
President Elect: Danny Braddy  
Immediate Past President: John Brown  
Secretary: Angela Williamson  
Deputy Secretary: Bill Dickey  
Treasurer: Teri White  
Membership Directors: Janet Liles and Jamie Lawrence  
Public Image Directors: Adrian Burns and Dominic Ford  
Administration Directors: Cameron Jahnke and Darren Ellis  
Foundation Directors: Fran Milberg  
Community Service Director: Mary Beth Donalson and Bret Jenkins  
Youth Service Directors: Susie Shin and Andre Marria  
Past Presidents Club Director: Jeff Zoller  
Executive Secretary: Howard Stephens  
Members serving District 6900 this year are,  
Fran Milberg: Past District Governor  
Teri White: District 6900 Treasurer PP  
Andre Marria: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Youth and Peace In Action, District Governor-nominee (DGN), Assistant Governor PP  
Scott Rich: GRSP Trustee PP  
Kim Walden: Assistant Rotary Public Image Coordinator PP

## Meetings

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- 7/8 Regular meeting -Fifth Day Farm
- 7/15 Regular Meeting - Georgia Beer Company
- 7/22 Regular Meeting - GLIMPSE AT STEPHEN FOSTER - PETER POTTER AND JACK POPE
- 7/29 Regular Meeting - Camp Crosspoint

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 7/8 George Stephens, Jr.
- 7/19 Coy Irvin
- 7/20 Jamie Lawrence
- 7/21 Dale Hodges
- 7/28 Bryant Beadles
- 7/28 Stuart Jackson
- 7/28 Richard Christenson

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 7/12 Paul Hancock (46)
- 7/12 Debbie Quinton (35)
- 7/23 Rick Piper (17)

## YEARS OF SERVICE

- 7/1 Rick Piper (0)  
6 years in Rotary
- 7/1 Jonathan Cleveland (0)  
5 years in Rotary
- 7/1 Jay Flowers (11)
- 7/1 Scooter Grubbs, III (34)
- 7/1 Donald Sims (32)
- 7/1 Warren Stafford (41)
- 7/1 Jeff Zoller (12)
- 7/1 Mary Beth Donalson (7)
- 7/1 Sharon Patrick (17)
- 7/1 Lauren Vann (5)
- 7/2 Bill Dickey (6)

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7/4 Erik von Hellens (9)  
7/4 Nic Rahming (2)  
7/6 Kim Walden (4)  
10 years in Rotary  
7/6 Ronnie Godwin (4)  
26 years in Rotary  
7/12 Eric Ward (9)  
7/14 Frederick Buechner (5)  
30 years in Rotary  
7/16 Brett Jenkins (1)  
7/17 W. Clay Campbell (9)  
25 years in Rotary  
7/18 André Marria (16)  
7/22 David Lewis (11)  
7/30 Charles Hill (2)  
48 years in Rotary



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