





## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

July 23, 2024

### Reminder

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Thursday, July 25

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## Meetings

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- 7/25 Savannah Taylor brings her program Just Breathe
- 8/1 Gwen Tyler, Victim/Witness Advocate: Crime Victims' Bill of Rights
- 8/8 Andrea Collins, CoC Executive Director, on Workforce Plan
- 8/15 Meeting at Second Harvest -- 11:30 a.m. 'til 1 p.m.

## Events

- 7/25 Blood Drive
- 8/1 Wine or Whine
- 8/14 Coffee & Conversations
- 8/17 Produce Market at Weston Park

### ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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

#### LEADERSHIP

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| President       | Marta Jones-Turner |
| President-Elect | Nathaniel Tyler    |
| Immediate PP    | Mary Beth Donalson |
| Vice President  | Nathaniel Tyler    |
| Treasurer       | Warren Ballard     |
| Secretary       | Anna Lee           |
| Public Image    | David Sofferin     |

#### Directors

Membership Angela Williamson

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|------------------|---------------------------|
| Foundation       | Carol Jones               |
| Service Projects | Barbara Williams-Anderson |
| Club Director    | SCOTT Rich                |
| Youth Service    | Chandler Giddes           |
| Admin            | Devona Thompson           |

## Rotary Online

<https://thomasvillerotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>

## YEARS OF SERVICE

|      |                          |
|------|--------------------------|
| 7/1  | Scooter Grubbs, III (37) |
| 7/1  | Jonathan Cleveland (3)   |
|      | 8 years in Rotary        |
| 7/1  | Rick Piper (0)           |
|      | 7 years in Rotary        |
| 7/1  | Donald Sims (35)         |
| 7/1  | Jeff Zoller (15)         |
| 7/1  | Mary Beth Donalson (10)  |
| 7/1  | Sharon Patrick (20)      |
| 7/2  | William Dickey (9)       |
| 7/4  | Nicholas Rahming (5)     |
| 7/4  | Erik von Hellens (12)    |
| 7/6  | Kim Walden (7)           |
|      | 13 years in Rotary       |
| 7/8  | Chandler Giddes (3)      |
| 7/12 | Eric Ward (12)           |
| 7/14 | Frederick Buechner (8)   |
|      | 33 years in Rotary       |
| 7/15 | Dominic Ford (3)         |
| 7/18 | André Marria (19)        |
| 7/27 | Luten Nunnally (1)       |
| 7/27 | Devona Thompson (1)      |
| 7/27 | Stephan Thompson (1)     |
| 7/27 | John Vann (1)            |



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