# Rotary Club of Thomasville

## THE BULLETIN

March 19, 2018

#### **Club Calendar**

March is Water and Sanitation Month

3/22 Regular Meeting-Al Latimer, Director of the Office of Economic Vitality in Tallahassee. Will speak on Tallahassee's bid for the Amazon HQ2

3/29 NO LUNCH MEETING TODAY-Cookout tonight

4/5 Regular Meeting-Former US Ambassador to Slovkia on the WWI Commission

4/12 Regular Meeting-GRSP Student Anna-Her year in Georgia

# Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

3/2 Nancy Tillinghast

3/4 Will Watt

3/9 Frederick Buechner

3/16 Scott Rich

3/21 Powell Iones

3/27 David Lewis

3/27 Perry Mustian

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3/24 Will Watt

3/27 Troy Stencel

3/25 Heather Lindquist

3/30 Charles Dixon

3/28 Tom Harrison

3/24 Mary Beth Donalson

3/6 Ronnie Godwin

3/5 Mark Lowe

#### **SERVICE**

# This Year's Theme **2017-2018**



# People in Action in Thomasville Upcoming Events & Projects

Saturday, March 24th, District Assembly in Columbus, GA - We encourage all Board Members for the current and the upcoming year to attend. We invite any member that would like to attend to please join us. We meet at the Belk parking lot at 5:20 am wheels will be rolling at 5:30am, we drive over to Columbus, stopping half way for a coffee break, a full Breakfast will be served, assembly takes place and we adjourn and travel home. Group decides on lunch? Please contact Andre', Rick or Teri so that they can register you for the event? (Club pays the registration fee)



#### This Week's Program

### Al Latimer, Director of the Office of Economic Vitality in Tallahassee. Will speak on Tallahassee's bid for the Amazon HQ2

Al Latimer — a former high ranking Enterprise Florida executive — has been tapped to lead the Office of Economic Vitality, the new economic development hub for Tallahassee and Leon County.

Latimer, of Apopka, has a 25-year career in state-level economic development, most recently an 18-year stint with Enterprise Florida, the state's economic development arm.

Latimer has been applauded for his ability to build relationships between public and private sectors as well as for his connections with various business sectors, universities and governments. Latimer — who played five seasons in the NFL — led Enterprise Florida's business recruitment efforts, successfully bringing the Jacksonville Jaguars to Duval County.

Most recently, he was senior vice president of strategic partnerships at Enterprise Florida, a position he held since 2006. In that post, he led an <u>investor</u> development program and raised \$2 million from private businesses last year to support the agency's programs.

Before his time at with the state, Latimer was vice president of government relations for the Florida Chamber of Commerce, executive director of the Jacksonville Sports Development Authority and regional director of the Governor's Council on Fitness and Sports.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

3/28 Danny Braddy (16)
 3/1 Joe Brown (13)
 3/6 Ellis Jackson (10)
 3/21 Susan O'Neal (10)
 3/22 Irene Gleason (6)
 3/7 Bryant Beadles (5)
 3/22 Dan Bain (5)
 3/20 William Felts (4)
 3/27 Rankin Smith (4)
 3/19 Angela Williamson (3)

3/24 Janet Liles (2)3/31 Robert Jackson (2)

3/31 Gregory Adams (2)3/1 Elijah Miranda (1)

3/1 Troy Rich (0) 3/8 Hinson Arwood (0)

### **Rotary Online**

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

# ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

Thursdays, 12:15 pm The Plaza Restaurant 217 South Broad Street Thomasville, GA 31792 May 1, 1921

Active Membership: 131

#### ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE PO Box 1277

#### Thomasville, GA 31799

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Program Director Jay Flowers

Program
Director

Al Nicholson

**Next Week's Program** 

### **Club Assembly Cookout**

Thursday, March 29th, Club Cookout-NO LUNCH MEETING

Please mark your calendars for March 29th at 5:30 pm for our special club meeting. We will be having a cookout at the Chamber of Commerce. After dinner we will have a more informal club meeting. Fran will be leading a Club strategic plan on the best practices for the future of our Rotary Club. Come prepared to participate. Discussion will be encouraged.

Click here to register: https://thomasvillerotary.org/v2/reservation/creat...

Something bothering you at Rotary, bring it to our strategic planning meeting.

See you there.

Fellowship Angela Director Williamson