


**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville



October is Economic and  
Community Development Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792 May 1,  
1921  
Active Membership: 141 

District Governor Court Dowis

### Hurricane Relief-501C3 District 6900

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This Week's Program

### Christopher Oakley with the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

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Oakley also plays a coordinating role with the District's Regional Economic Information Network and interfaces with Atlanta-area contacts. He facilitates the District's Community Depository Institutions Advisory Council. Outside of the Bank, he is involved in a number of activities, including having roles on the Florida Council on Economic Education, the First Coast and United States Business Leadership Networks, and the JaxUSA Partnership. He is a member of the Leadership Jacksonville Class of 2010.

He joined the Jacksonville Branch in 1988 as a management intern in the Cash Services Department and has held various management positions, including operational and administrative oversight in cash services, payment services, and human resources. Oakley was promoted to financial services director in 1992 and then to assistant vice president in 1996. He was named assistant branch manager in 1997, vice president and branch manager in 2002, and vice president and regional executive in 2007. He was previously responsible for Branch support services, law enforcement, cash services, check processing, and check adjustments.

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## Club Calendar

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- 10/18 Regular Meeting- Christopher Oakley of the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank
- 10/25 Regular Meeting-Dr. Gregory Boehinger, Director National High Magnetic Field Laboratory
- 11/1 Regular Meeting- Foundation Drive Kickoff
- 11/8 Regular Meeting-Dr. Gerald Kadis

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 10/1 Pat Choice
- 10/2 Howard Stephens
- 10/3 Dicky Demott
- 10/3 Philip Leabo
- 10/4 Didi Hoffman
- 10/5 Morgan Bailey
- 10/12 David Flowers
- 10/13 Scott Sterling
- 10/17 Heather Lindquist
- 10/23 Walter Marria
- 10/24 Troy Stencil
- 10/24 Wilson Carraway
- 10/25 Wallace Goodman
- 10/29 John Glenn
- 10/31 Mark Anderson

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/2 Warren Ballard (8)
- 10/10 Terry Rouse (26)
- 10/10 Frances Parker (26)
- 10/15 Susan O'Neal (24)
- 10/15 Nick Murray (13)
- 10/16 Carol Jones (53)
- 10/24 Mark Anderson (14)
- 10/24 Vann Middleton (20)

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10/2	Terry Rouse (10)
10/4	Kurt Stringfellow (0) 4 years in Rotary
10/9	Lisa Billups (4)
10/9	Shelley Zorn (4) 13 years in Rotary
10/9	Arlen Yokley (4)
10/13	Teri White (7)
10/16	Francis Lilly (4) 7 years in Rotary
10/16	Tom Rinehart (4)
10/16	Tim Filston (4)
10/20	Amanda Gates (2)
10/20	Coy Irvin (2) 6 years in Rotary
10/27	Jim Carter (7)
10/27	Michele Arwood (7)

## Rotary Online

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