

**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville



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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

September 3, 2019

September is Basic Education and  
Literacy Month

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

## This Week's Program

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## Meetings

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- 9/5 Scooter Grubbs will present Zack Grage Thomasville HS Head FB Coach
- 9/12 Regular Meeting - Linda Schuyler Ford Storyteller/Educator/Story Retreat Facilitator performs "A Certain Slant of Light"
- 9/19 Mike Stephenson will introduce Wiley Grady to update us on County News
- 9/26 Hurricane Preparedness with the Red Cross

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 9/1 Mary Beth Donalson
- 9/2 Rick Piper
- 9/3 Dawna Bicknell Tanner
- 9/6 William Felts
- 9/7 Vann Middleton
- 9/8 Arlen Yokley
- 9/9 Ed Titus, Jr.
- 9/11 Warren Stafford
- 9/11 Debbie Goodman
- 9/20 Jonathan Cleveland
- 9/24 Joe Brown
- 9/24 Doris Yokley
- 9/24 John Blackmon
- 9/27 Dan Bain, III
- 9/28 Eddie Smith
- 9/30 Tom Everett

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/4 David Lewis (65)
- 9/4 Ron Salter (59)
- 9/4 Teri White (20)
- 9/15 John Brown (60)
- 9/18 Elijah Miranda (15)
- 9/22 Jay Flowers (29)

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## YEARS OF SERVICE

9/1	Gary Tucker (37)
9/1	Tom Callaway, III (33)
9/1	Debbie Goodman (25)
9/4	Rick Piper (5)
9/4	Randy Watts (5)
9/11	Mike Stephenson (11)
9/15	Tom Everett (13)
9/21	Perry Mustian (19)
9/23	Andy Jones (9)
9/25	Wayne Newsome (5) 24 years in Rotary
9/30	Nick Murray (2) 12 years in Rotary

## Rotary Online

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