

Thursday, Feb. 26

Hands & Hearts for Horses Field Trip



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3824 Lower Cairo Road, Thomasville
Thursday, March 5

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Vashti Center
1815 East Clay Street
Thomasville, GA 31792

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February 24, 2026

Meetings

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- 2/26 A Visit at Hands and Hearts | Susie Shin
- 3/5 Jackie Letherman: Discover Thomasville
- 3/12 Easter Seals Southern Georgia
- 3/19 Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
- 3/26 Dr. Czaky, Son of First Generation GRSP Student
- 4/2 Chris White: City Manager
- 4/9 Tentative: Rotary Global Project
- 4/16 Second Harvest: Sort & Pack Produce

Events

- 3/9 Board Meeting
- 3/21 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park
- 3/21 The Ritz Music Festival
- 3/26 Larry Frosteg Pelham International Student Weekend
- 4/18 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park
- 5/23 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park

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LEADERSHIP

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| Immediate PP | Marta Jones-Turner |
| Treasurer | Warren Ballard |
| Secretary | Anne Candelaria Flores |
| Executive Secretary/Director | Teri White |
| Past President | André Marria |

Directors

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|------------------|-------------------|
| Public Image | David Sofferin |
| Membership | Arthur Wigfall |
| Service Projects | Melanie Cromartie |
| Foundation | Jason Goldman |
| Youth Service | Chandler Giddes |
| Admin | Sally Bowman |

Rotary Online

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

YEARS OF SERVICE

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|------|---|
| 2/1 | Marta Jones-Turner (32) |
| 2/1 | Bradford Jackson (32) |
| 2/2 | Frances Parker (3) 30 years in Rotary |
| 2/2 | Harry Tomlinson (3) 45 years in Rotary |
| 2/2 | Warren Stafford (3) 45 years in Rotary |
| 2/6 | Dwayne Anderson (1) |
| 2/6 | Craig Miller (1) 19 years in Rotary |
| 2/8 | Joe Tarver (8) |
| 2/9 | Arthur Wigfall (3) |
| 2/22 | Jason Goldman (2) |
| 2/24 | Anna Lee (4) |
| 2/26 | Nathaniel Tyler (28) |
| 2/27 | Shelba Sellers (11) |
| 2/27 | James Deen (1) |

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