





**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**  
August 13, 2019

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Club Development Month

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

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## Meetings

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- 8/15 Regular Meeting - Jeremy Emmett to share plans for the new Marriott Hotel
- 8/22 Regular Meeting
- 8/29 Hospice and Palliative Care: What's the Difference?
- 9/5 Scooter Grubbs will present Zack Grage

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 8/3 Dawna Bicknell Tanner
- 8/6 Janet Liles
- 8/9 Cameron Jahnke
- 8/9 Andre Marria
- 8/13 Andy Vann
- 8/13 Harry Tomlinson
- 8/13 Joe Tarver
- 8/15 Scott Smith
- 8/17 Donald Sims
- 8/18 Christy Cooke
- 8/22 Frank Helms
- 8/23 Rankin Smith, Jr.
- 8/26 George Keeling, III
- 8/29 Mike Stephenson

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/2 Krista Peace (6)
- 8/7 Niki Gatlin (9)
- 8/8 Ben Wilds (49)
- 8/10 Bill Dickey (51)
- 8/13 Coy Irvin (42)
- 8/18 Arlen Yokley (62)
- 8/18 Doris Yokley (62)
- 8/19 Gary Tucker (59)
- 8/19 Carlton Bryant (44)
- 8/20 Russell Chubb (59)
- 8/22 Shelley Zorn (27)
- 8/24 Roy Campbell (68)
- 8/28 Al Park (48)
- 8/29 Andre Marria (1)

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8/30 Scott Sterling (39)

## YEARS OF SERVICE

8/1 Fran Milberg (23)  
25 years in Rotary  
8/1 Wilson Carraway, Jr. (36)  
69 years in Rotary  
8/1 Walter Gilbert (28)  
8/2 Doris Yokley (1)  
8/2 Walter Marria, Jr. (1)  
8/2 Pat Choice (1)  
8/2 Adrian Burns (1)  
8/2 Carlton Bryant (1)  
8/3 Susan Backofen (2)  
7 years in Rotary  
8/8 Scott Sterling (11)  
8/10 Dawn Hunnewell (7)  
8/10 Debbie Quinton (7)  
8/10 Heather Lindquist (7)  
8/13 Cameron Jahnke (4)  
8/13 Jonathan Cleveland (4)  
8/13 Mark Lowe (10)  
8/16 Niki Gatlin (1)  
8/20 George Keeling, III (2)  
13 years in Rotary  
8/23 Philip Leabo, Jr. (1)  
8/24 David Hufstetler (2)  
8/24 Krista Peace (2)  
8/25 Andy Sheppard (3)  
8/27 David Flowers (10)

## Rotary Online

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

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|-----------------|--------------|
| President       | Kim Walden   |
| President-Elect | John Brown   |
| Immediate PP    | Andre Marria |
| Vice President  | Terry Rouse  |
| Treasurer       | Teri White   |

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