

## This Week's Program



Meet Thomasville's new Chief of Police, John Letteney.

Letteney was the Chief of Police in Apex, North Carolina, a position he held since 2021. Prior to Apex, he worked for the Southern Pines Police Department in Southern Pines, North Carolina for seven years and the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in Rochester, New York for 24 years.



Letteney holds a Masters degree in Public Administration with a concentration in Criminal Justice. He earned his Bachelors of Science degree in Criminal Justice from the Rochester Institute of Technology and is a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's prestigious FBI National Academy. He also attended the FBI's Regional Command College.

## Last Week's program

For last week's meeting, we had a packed program and a packed meeting room. Total attendance was one hundred and one. This included Student of the Month and Laws of Life participants. Both programs were quite inspiring. On display were young people carving out their place in the world and making a difference in the lives they touch. Behind it all, is the Rotary Club of Thomasville, pushing progress forward. Take a bow, Thomasville, and continue to take advantage of the opportunities opened to you by Rotary.

We are only five weeks away from our big day, our one hundredth anniversary. You can share in the celebration on 6 May 2021. That is the date we will take a group photo at the new Courtyard by Marriott Hotel.

Thanks go out to Jay Flowers for once again sharing with us some history of our club. Last week Jay focused on our 50th or Golden Jubilee Anniversary. This history helps us see the progress the club

## MEETINGS

April is Environment Month

- 4/29 Police Chief John Letteney
- 5/13 GRSP Wrap up AND By-Law Revisions Vote
- 5/20 Russell Deese - Russels' Military Vehicles AT THE BISCUIT COMPANY
- 5/27 Club Assembly
- 6/3 Representatives Darlene Taylor and John LaHood
- 6/10 Kevin Mis Solval, Ph.D. - UGA Associate Professor in food science
- 6/17 Regular Meeting - Foundation Program
- 6/24 President John Brown Swan Song & Induction of Wayne Newsome

## BIRTHDAYS

- 4/27 Wayne Newsome
- 4/30 Gretchen Bickel
- 5/2 Lauren Radford
- 5/12 Michael Beaty
- 5/15 Angela Williamson
- 5/17 Charlene Parrish
- 5/21 Joseph Edwards
- 5/25 William Blackburn

## WEDDING

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/29 Tom Everett (15)
- 5/4 Barbara Williams-Anderson (22)
- 5/10 Ricky Zambrano (13)
- 5/13 Will Brown, III (3)
- 5/15 Angela Williamson (11)
- 5/17 Charlene Parrish (125)
- 5/18 Kurt Stringfellow (19)
- 5/20 Paul Overstreet (32)

has made and the work that still needs to be done. Absent from the Golden Jubilee anniversary celebration was women and people of color. The progress made assures us that will not be the case with our centennial celebration.

One of the highlights of Jays presentation was our own George Stephens who was one of twelve inductees for the 50th anniversary celebration. Thanks George, for the many years of "Service Above Self."

Please keep Russell Chubb and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

*"Never take someone for granted. Hold every person close to your heart because you might wake up one day and realize that you've lost a diamond while you were busy collecting stones."*

## 100 Years of Rotary in Thomasville

1921  2021



1964 Bald Members

Fellowship and a sense of fun have been hallmarks of our club since the start. From polishing the heads of bald-headed members to laughing together at jokes shared, pulling pranks on fellow members, and other memorable moments, Rotarians' antics have created lifelong bonds. Underlying the fun has been the deep satisfaction of meaningful work--projects that made a difference for the good in our community. Student scholarships, mentoring, creating a youth camp, funding surgeries for children who had polio, honoring first responders, and creating little libraries to name just a few. Let's keep up the good work while enjoying fun and fellowship along the way.

- 5/21 John Blackmon (33)
- 5/22 Eric Ward (17)
- 5/23 Marta Jones-Turner (29)

### YEARS OF SERVICE

- 5/1 Eugene McNease (43)
- 5/4 Bob Drummond (4)
- 5/16 Lauren Radford (2)  
6 years in Rotary

### ROTARY ONLINE

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

### ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restuarant  
217 Broad St  
Thomasville, GA 31792

### LEADERSHIP

President	John Brown
President-Elect	Wayne Newsome
President Nominee	Danny Braddy
Immediate PP	Kim Walden
Treasurer	Teri White
Secretary	Angela Williamson
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### Directors

Club Vice President	Scott Rich
Membership	Janet Liles
Foundation	Fran Milberg
Service Projects	Adrian Burns
Youth Service	André Marria
Admin	Cameron Jahnke