



### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER October 7, 2024

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# Meetings

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#### 10/10 Commissioner Kevin Tanner from Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

- 10/17 Meeting at Second Harvest to Pack & Sort Produce for Saturday Free Market
- 10/24 World Polio Day presented by Foundation Chair Carol Jones
- 10/31 Club History & Traditions -- celebrated every 5th Thursday

## **Events**

- 10/16 Coffee & Conversations
- 10/19 Free Produce Market at Weston Park
- 11/28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING
- 12/5 Blood Drive

## ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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### LEADERSHIP

President	Marta Jones- Turner
President-Elect	Nathaniel Tyler
Immediate PP	Mary Beth Donalson
Vice President	Nathaniel Tyler
Treasurer	Warren Ballard
Secretary	Anna Lee
Public Image	David Sofferi

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### Directors

Membership	Angela Williamson
Foundation	Carol Jones
Service Projects	Barbara Williams- Anderson
Club Director	Scott Rich
Youth Service	Chandler Giddes
Admin	Devona Thompson

# **Rotary Online**

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

# YEARS OF SERVICE

10/3	Julie Carter (5)
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10/4	Kurt Stringfellow (6) 10 years in Rotary
10/13	Teri White (13)
10/13	Darcy Craven (3) 8 years in Rotary
10/16	Tim Filston (10)
10/16	Francis Lilly (10) 13 years in Rotary
10/27	Jim Carter (13)
10/27	Matt Edwards (2)
10/27	Tina McBride (2)
10/27	J.D. Sears (2)



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