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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 16, 2024

October is Economic and  
Community Development Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792

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To volunteer, please arrive by 8:30 a.m. to begin setting up and registering participants.

Tuesday, October 22

### Fireside Chat for New Members

New members, please join us for a **Fireside Chat**, hosted by past presidents.

Fireside Chat

The Barn at Gentian Creek Preserve

5:30 pm 'til 7:30 pm

Sign up is required. Add your name to list at the back table at the Rotary meeting or contact [Angela Williamson](#).

Thursday, Oct. 24

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On Thursday, Oct. 24, we'll acknowledge [World Polio Day](#) with our Rotary Foundation Chair Carol Jones.

Nov. 27 to Dec. 5

### Rotary Online Auction

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If you have items to donate or have a contact who might donate items, please contact [Mary Beth Donalson](#) (229.221.0715), [Chandler Giddes](#) (229.201.0472), or [Marta Jones Turner](#) 229.221.0858.

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## Meetings

October is Economic and Community Development Month

- 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
- 11/7 Rotary Foundation presented by Carol Jones

## Events

- 10/16 Coffee & Conversations
- 10/19 Free Vegetable Grow Bag and HOC Manna Drop at Harper School
- 10/22 Fireside Chat for New Members
- 11/28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

## 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 Sofferin     |

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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)                            |
| 10/3  | Monty Milikin (0)                           |
| 10/4  | Kurt Stringfellow (6)<br>10 years in Rotary |
| 10/13 | Teri White (13)                             |
| 10/13 | Darcy Craven (3)<br>8 years in Rotary       |
| 10/16 | Tim Filston (10)                            |
| 10/16 | Francis Lilly (10)<br>13 years in Rotary    |
| 10/27 | Jim Carter (13)                             |
| 10/27 | Joseph Edwards (2)                          |
| 10/27 | Tina McBride (2)                            |
| 10/27 | J.D. Sears (2)                              |



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