



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 10, 2023

This Week

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## Meetings

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- 12/11 TCCHS Holiday Concert
- 12/18 Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
- 12/25 Merry Christmas! No Meeting This Week!
- 1/1 Happy New Year!!! No Meeting This Week!
- 1/8 Mid-year Club Assembly
- 1/15 Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
- 1/22 All the Buzz Apiaries
- 2/5 Regular Meeting

## Events

- 12/17 Coffee Chat
- 12/20 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park
- 1/10 Rotary Leadership Institute
- 1/12 Board Meeting
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- 1/17 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park
- 2/13 Valentine Party at Scott Senior Center
- 2/21 Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park

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### LEADERSHIP

President Nathaniel Tyler  
President-Elect Joe Tarver

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

### Directors

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

12/1	Scott Rich (47)
12/1	Rebecca Strickland (21)
12/1	Tom Shaw (2)
12/1	Brigit Smallridge (2)
12/2	John Brown (14)
12/10	Richard Christenson (4)
12/13	John Blackmon (6) 9 years in Rotary
12/13	Susie Shin (6)
12/13	Barbara Williams-Anderson (6)



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