

## Little Free Library Memorial Special Literacy Recognition



Pictured - District Governor Jim Squire, Rick Hasty, Julie Williams and Rotary Club of Thomasville President Kim Walden  
District Governor Jim Squire emphasized literacy this year as his special project. So it was only fitting that during his official visit to the Rotary Club of Thomasville that we highlighted a very special Little Free Library Project.  
Julie Williams lost her sister Nellie Amanda Hasty this past March after a long battle with cancer. Her sister loved to read and especially loved visiting our Little Free Libraries. Julie became aware that our club was refurbishing the seven LFL's in our community and called to find out how to establish one in honor of her sister. Thanks to her question we were able to help her with this goal and will soon be painting and registering a LFL built by Rick Hasty in her honor. The LFL will be housed at Emiliano's, a local coffee shop and favorite place of Nellie's. We are so honored to help Julie and to share the gift of reading with others in our community.

## Longest Active Rotary Member Recognized Oscar Mims receives Special Recognition from our District Governor



Rotarian Oscar Mims was recognized by District Governor Jim Squire as the longest serving active member - 65 years! Oscar joined our club on May 1, 1955. We are so proud to have him in our club!

## Gail Roberts shares details about a new grant program



Gail Roberts is the Executive Director of the Thomasville-Thomas County Humane Society. She will speak to us about a new grant that is changing the lives of people and animals in our community.

### MEETINGS

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

- 1/2 Gail Roberts to introduce new grant benefiting the community
- 1/9 IMPROVING ELEMENTARY EDUCATION IN THOMASVILLE AT SCOTT AND HARPER SCHOOLS.
- 1/16 G. Wayne Clough - the first secretary of the Smithsonian Institution born in the South
- 1/23 Scott Chastain - Entrepreneurship in Thomasville
- 1/30 DGND Kirk Driskell Visit
- 2/6 Black History Month Program - Dr. Kendrick L. Coleman
- 2/13 ALLEN Cheney and Ryan Smith, making movies in Thomasville.
- 2/20 NO LUNCH Meeting TODAY! Join us for Cocktails & Commerce this evening at 5:30 pm

### BIRTHDAYS

- 12/31 Rob Milberg
- 1/1 Randy Watts
- 1/6 John Taylor
- 1/7 Kim Walden
- 1/8 Julie Carter
- 1/9 Teri White
- 1/9 Carol Jones
- 1/9 Frances Parker
- 1/9 Sally Bowman
- 1/13 Albert Park
- 1/13 James Deen
- 1/17 Ashley Palmer
- 1/21 Erik von Hellens
- 1/21 Tim Filston
- 1/23 Nathaniel Tyler
- 1/25 Shelba Sellers
- 1/28 Marcy Sizemore

**RLI January 18 hosted by Rotary Club of Thomasville**

## **Building Leadership Skills Through Rotary**

 **Rotary Leadership Institute Sunshine Division**

**“Building a better Rotary through education.”**

**Rotary District 6900**

**One of the keys to success in life is continuous learning. Rotarians who want to grow themselves and their clubs always looks for opportunities to learn, grown and share with others. Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) provides you with those learning, growing and fellowship experiences.**

**Registration is now open to all Rotarians for Parts 1, 2, 3 and Graduate Classes in Membership and Facilitation Techniques for the next District 6900 Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) that will be held Saturday, January 18, at Southern Regional Technical College in Thomasville, Georgia.**

**Some of the interesting leadership topics that will be discussed during our classes include: Membership Engagement, Analyzing Your Rotary Club, Strategic Planning, Service Projects, Effective Leadership Strategies and the History of Rotary. Special Graduate Classes on Membership and Facilitation Techniques will also be offered, for those Rotarians that have completed RLI Part 3.**

**WHEN: Saturday, January 18, 2020, from 8:00am to 3:30pm.**

**WHERE: Southern Regional Technical College, 15689 U.S. 19, Thomasville, Georgia**

Please plan to enjoy Breakfast starting at 7 am. 15 Hotel rooms have been saved at the Hampton Inn in Thomasville under the name of Kim Walden. Let us know you want to attend by registering online or by sending an email to [thomasville@rotary6900.or](mailto:thomasville@rotary6900.or)

**Welcome to our Newest Member**

### **WEDDING**

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

1/9 Bob Drummond (38)  
1/14 Wayne Newsome (41)  
1/17 Debbie Goodman (39)

### **YEARS OF SERVICE**

1/1 William Jones (34)  
39 years in Rotary  
1/1 Richard Vann (24)  
1/1 GRSP Admin (3)  
1/14 Scott Smith (12)  
1/15 Vann Middleton (5)  
1/24 Charlene Parrish (18)

### **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


### **SOCIAL MEDIA**



### **LEADERSHIP**

President	Kim Walden
President-Elect	John Brown
Immediate PP	André Marria
Vice President	Terry Rouse
Treasurer	Teri White
Secretary	Angela Williamson
Program Director	Jay Flowers
Public Image	Michael Bixler
Bulletin Editor	Susan Backofen

## Induction of Dr. Gerry Gilmer

 Welcome to our newest member Dr. Gerry Gilmer picture with his wife Delores and his sponsor Homer Pankey.

## Wine or Whine goes Mexican

### Join us at Frida's for fun on January 7th



Wine or Whine is going Mexican this month and will be at Frida's downtown on Tuesday, January 7th from 5:30 - 7:30.

## DG Jim Visits Thomasville

### Great Evening at South Eden Plantation



#### Directors

Club President	Wayne Newsome
Nominee	
Club Youth Protection Officer	Lisa Billups
Foundation	John Glenn, Jr.
Membership	Charles Carvin
Youth Service	Krista Peace