

**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville




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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 17, 2020

March is Water and Sanitation  
Month

Thursdays, 12:00 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
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## Meetings

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- 3/19 Shamin Kahn - Global Grant
- 3/26 Christopher Jones - Secure Record Solutions
- 4/2 Irene Gleason will present Cameron Clark
- 4/9 Tom Faircloth - History of the Rose Festival

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 3/4 Will Watt , III
- 3/9 Frederick Buechner
- 3/16 Scott Rich
- 3/16 Bonnie Hayes
- 3/21 Powell Jones
- 3/24 Adrian Burns
- 3/24 Julie Cannady
- 3/27 David Lewis
- 3/27 Perry Mustian
- 3/31 Trent Reynolds
- 3/31 Will Brown, III

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 3/5 Mark Lowe (15)
- 3/6 Ronnie Godwin (16)
- 3/24 Mary Beth Donalson (19)
- 3/24 Will Watt , III (30)
- 3/25 Heather Lindquist (25)
- 3/28 Tom Harrison, Jr. (22)
- 3/30 Charles Dixon (24)

## YEARS OF SERVICE

- 3/1 Joe Brown (15)
- 3/1 Elijah Miranda (3)
- 3/1 Troy Rich (2)
- 3/6 Ellis Jackson (12)
- 3/7 Bryant Beadles (7)

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
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- 3/7 John Archer, Sr. (2)  
19 years in Rotary
- 3/8 Hinson Arwood (2)
- 3/19 Angela Williamson (5)
- 3/20 William Felts (6)
- 3/21 Susan O'Neal (12)
- 3/22 Irene Gleason (8)
- 3/24 Janet Liles (4)
- 3/27 Rankin Smith, Jr. (6)  
20 years in Rotary
- 3/28 Danny Braddy (18)
- 3/31 Gregory Adams (4)  
48 years in Rotary
- 3/31 Robert Jackson (4)  
45 years in Rotary

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