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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

September 21, 2021

September is Basic Education  
and Literacy Month

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

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## This Week's Program

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He hosts a variety of workshops teaching young men automotive repair such as changing brakes and oil. He also has workshops teaching home improvement such as replacing light fixtures, toilets, and painting.

King Randall is also a chef. He graduated at the age of 17 with a degree in Culinary Arts from Albany Technical College before even graduating high school. He was the first black, Georgia Restaurant Association Student of the Year in 2016. He led Westover High School's Culinary Arts Team to Second Place in the state culinary championships in 2016 and 2017. With these skills, he has also taught the young men in his program basic cooking skills in different workshops.

He hosts a weekly book club for boys to improve literacy skills and also to teach very important life skills growing into a young man.

King Randall also started a bowling league for boys to get them into sports other than football and basketball. This will lead to potential scholarship opportunities for the boys as well as being another outlet for them to release stress.

He also assists in feeding children weekly in at-risk communities and making sure they have a meal before bed. This is because many children only have a meal at school.

He has recently rebirthed the Iconic "I Am A Man" March, from the 1960s, in Albany, Georgia. It started the new wave of men's mental health Awareness in the city.

King Randall has spearheaded movements that have shifted the atmosphere of the city of Albany and he is just now getting the ball rolling.

## Serve to Change Lives

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## Meetings

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

- 9/23 Regular Meeting - THE "X" FOR BOYS - RANDALL KING
- 9/30 Regular Meeting - Gordan Rogers Executive Director Flint River Keeper
- 10/7 Regular Meeting - Centennial Program
- 10/14 Dr Chip Bragg - more stories from the Archbold Archives

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS


- 9/1 Mary Beth Donalson
- 9/2 Rick Piper
- 9/3 Dawna Bicknell Tanner
- 9/6 William Felts
- 9/7 Vann Middleton
- 9/9 Ed Titus, Jr.
- 9/11 Warren Stafford
- 9/11 Debbie Goodman
- 9/16 Dominic Ford
- 9/17 Chandler Giddes
- 9/20 Jonathan Cleveland
- 9/24 Joe Brown
- 9/24 John Blackmon
- 9/30 Tom Everett

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES


- 9/1 Richard Christenson (14)
- 9/4 David Lewis (67)
- 9/4 Teri White (22)
- 9/15 John Brown (62)
- 9/18 Elijah Miranda (17)
- 9/22 Jay Flowers (31)

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## SERVICE

9/1 Gary Tucker (39)  
9/1 Debbie Goodman (27)  
9/4 Randy Watts (7)  
9/11 Mike Stephenson (13)  
9/15 Tom Everett (15)  
9/19 Bonnie Hayes (2)  
9/23 Andy Jones (11)  
9/25 Wayne Newsome (7)  
26 years in Rotary  
9/30 Nick Murray (4)  
14 years in Rotary

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## Rotary Online

<https://thomasvillerotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
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## LEADERSHIP

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Immediate PP	John Brown
Vice President	Jeff Zoller
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