



### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 3, 2024

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

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

Thursday, Dec. 5 - RSVP Today!

#### **Bids, Bites and Holiday Delights**

Join us for our Thursday, Dec. 5 event: **Bids, Bites, and Holiday Delights** party from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Thomasville Center for the Arts. The final bids for online auction and select live auction items will be at 7 p.m.

### Reservations are required and due today. Contact (229) 221-0958 today to RSVP.

The guest of club will be artists, writers and dog trainers Durrell Smith and Ashley Smith. John Gleason will provide catering. Enjoy delicious bites, drinks and fellowship with Rotarians and Friends. There is no cost for Thomasville Rotary members, but there is a \$20 charge for spouses and guests.

There will be no regular club meeting on Thursday, Dec. 5.

Ending Thursday, Dec. 5!

#### **Rotary Online Auction**

Our **online auction** to help fund our club's community service, youth projects and other programs throughout the year will end Thursday, Dec. 5. More than 50 items have been donated, including vacation stays, merchandise, dining experiences at unique venues, jewelry, art, antiques, designer items, guns, and more.

Please share the auction with your friends and family on social media to ensure we earn as much as we can from our fundraising. Non-local friends



#### Mark Your Calendar: Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Please mark your calendars for Monday, Dec. 9 through Friday, Dec. 13. Rotary members will ring the bell for the Salvation Army throughout the week.

Be on the lookout for sign-up opportunities coming soon.



Monday, Dec. 9

#### **Board Meeting**

The board will meet Monday, Dec. 9 at 5:15 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce. Members are welcome to attend and all directors should attend, or have someone from their area of responsibility attend on their behalf

Remember: All red-ribbon members should attend at least one board meeting during their time as a red-ribbon member.

Thursday, Dec. 12

#### Caily O'Connor, Recreational Therapist

Our guest speaker for Thursday, Dec. 12 is Caily O'Conner, Licensed Recreational Therapist, CTRS-Specialization in Behavioral Health, who works at the Sgt. Earnest I. "Boots" Thomas VA Clinic in Tallahassee. She will discuss HUD-VASH, a collaboration between HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (VCH) rental assistance program and Veterans Administration case management and supporting services. Most veterans served by the program have been homeless or transient at some point. A Hands & Hearts for Horses partner for the past six months, Caily will speak specifically to her work as a recreational therapist and how

alternative therapies help veterans cope with mental health challenges.

#### **Meetings**

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12/5 Evening Celebration & Program by Durrell Smith, artist & dog trainer

12/12 Regular Meeting Program: VA's HUD-VASH

12/19 Location & Program TBA

12/26 NO MEETING -- HAPPY HOLIDAYS

#### **Events**

12/5 Celebration (Auction Close & Holiday)

12/9 Salvation Army Bell Ringing

12/12 Blood Drive

12/21 Produce Market

## 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

Secretary Anna Lee
Public Image David Sofferin

#### Directors

Membership Angela Williamson Foundation Carol Jones

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Service Projects 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

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)

12/4 Austin Finch (1)

12/10 Richard Christenson (4)

12/13 John Blackmon (6) 9 years in Rotary

12/13 Susie Shin (6)

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