

## Club Calendar

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

- 2/8 Regular Meeting-Michelle Ausley, Work Based Learning & Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator
- 2/15 Regular Meeting | Dale Jackson, Co-Founder Hope United
- 2/22 Regular Meeting | Lindy Savelle, President of Georgia Citrus Association
- 3/1 Regular Meeting-Program Mike Grundman from Georgia Department of Economic Development

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 W. Clay Campbell
- 2/5 Gregory Adams
- 2/5 Claire Bowen
- 2/9 Michele Arwood
- 2/11 Nick Murray
- 2/15 TOM Callaway
- 2/16 Renee Oliveto
- 2/19 Marta Turner
- 2/25 Shelley Zorn
- 2/27 Ronnie Godwin

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/14 John Hinrichs
- 2/22 Eugene McNease
- 2/4 Robert Ackerman
- 2/15 Erik von Hellens
- 2/28 John Archer

## Rotary Online

<https://thomasvillerotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
<https://rotary.org/>

### This Week's Program February 1st

## Nic Stoltzfus of Live Oak Production Group

Nic Stoltzfus is a writer and photographer at Live Oak Production Group. A graduate of the Florida State University Communication Program, Nic has always appreciated the art of storytelling. His first script, *Coastal Dune Lakes: Jewels of Florida's Emerald Coast*, went on to be nominated for a Suncoast Emmy in the writing category and won People's Choice for the 2014 Telly Awards. Along with the script, Nic also wrote a companion coffee table book which won the Gold Medal (Visual Arts) in the 2015 Florida Book Awards. The next project he went on to do was write a script for *Apalachicola River and Bay: A Connected Ecosystem*, which was nominated for a Suncoast Emmy in the writing category. He has recently written the script and coffee table book for *The Great Florida Cattle Drive: Unbroken Circles* project.

Live Oak Production Group specializes in capturing stories about nature, art and education through cinematography, photography and writing. Discover the other films, photography and books in their collection by visiting their website, <http://liveoakproductiongroup.com/>, and liking their Facebook page.

### People in Action in Thomasville

## Upcoming Events & Projects

**Tuesday, February 5th - Whine or Wine at Relish from 5pm to 7pm**

**Wednesday, February 7th - Honoring our local HEROES-Thomasville and Thomas County Fire Departments at the Remington Avenue Fire Station.**

Cooks are needed by 10:30 am Setup will begin at 11:00 am Lunch will be served at noon. Clean up should be completed by 1:30pm

**Thursday, February 8th - Board Meeting at Relish @ 5:30 pm**

**Wednesday, February 14th - Rotary has Heart Senior Valentine's Day Party & Dance at Scott Senior Center**



### Next Week's Program

**ROTARY CLUB OF  
THOMASVILLE**

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792 May 1,  
1921

Active Membership: 127



**ROTARY CLUB OF  
THOMASVILLE  
PO Box 1277  
Thomasville, GA 31799**

President	Teri White
President-Elect	Andre Marria
Immediate Past President	Jeff Zoller
Vice President	Carol Jones
Secretary	Angela Williamson
Treasurer	Rick Piper
Program Director	Lauren Radford
Fellowship Director	Angela Williamson

## **Michelle Ausley, Work-Based Learning & Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator**

Michelle is the Work-Based Learning Coordinator for Thomas County Schools. She serves junior and senior high school students to coordinate work site placements, related to the student's career pathway. The program provides guidance and encouragement to students interested in learning work tasks and job responsibilities. She has been teaching at Thomas County Central High School since 2009. She is also an adviser for TCCHS FBLA program. Her goal as Work-Based Learning Coordinator is to provide the best learning environment possible so that they can become successful business men and women with a competitive edge for the global marketplace.

On August 8, 2016, Michele was awarded the title of "top Gun SBL Educator" through a partnership between the Georgia Department of Education's Career, Technical and Agricultural Education division; the Career, Technical and Agricultural Education Resource Network and the Work-Based Learning/Youth Apprenticeship Affiliate of the Georgia Association for Career and Technical Education. The three organizations teamed up to sponsor a unique staff developing training for WBL coordinators who have excelled in a specified set of performance criteria. Twenty teachers/WBL coordinators were invited to attend the Top Gun training, representing all regions of the state. During the training, participants were awarded points for their performance in group activities and the quality of the documents they created. In 2016, Michele Ausley home took the title.