

**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville



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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

August 6, 2019

August is Membership and New  
Club Development Month

Thursdays, 12:00 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792

## **This weeks' program**

Justin Allen, Broad Street Media

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### **Institute on World War II and the Human Experience**

G. Kurt Piehler, Associate Professor of History and Director of Institute on World War II and the Human Experience at FSU provided an interesting program on August 1st. He brought two who read letters home from two soldiers.

All collections have been donated. Visiting scholars regularly come to review available materials. If you are interested in donating, please contact Dr. Piehler at 850-644-9324.

### **Annual United Way Golf Outing....Volunteers and Sponsors Needed!**

August 24th, Thomasville Rotary will be hosting it's annual Golf Outing benefiting United Way at Country Oaks. Volunteers, sponsors and teams are needed! Please help support this worthy fundraiser.

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### **Rotary and Shelterbox Celebrate the Power of Partnership**

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What began as a local connection with one Cornish Rotary Club has led to an international movement that's provided 140,000 ShelterBox family tents or 390,000 ShelterKits worldwide to date.

First adopted as a millennium project by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard in 2000, the support of Rotary members and clubs around the world saw ShelterBox become Rotary's Project Partner in Disaster Relief in 2012. Since then, the partnership has helped transform ShelterBox into an internationally recognized disaster relief charity, supporting families with emergency shelter after disaster. The partnership extends far beyond financial support. Around 1,000 Rotary members are involved in ShelterBox as volunteers, staff or response team members. And clubs worldwide offer valuable, practical assistance to help ShelterBox reach more families fleeing disaster or conflict.

Caroline White, interim Chief Executive at ShelterBox, said: "Whenever disaster strikes, Rotary is beside us. From the earliest planning stages to final evaluations, Rotary members help ShelterBox make community contacts, organize logistics, and reach disaster-affected families in remote areas who might otherwise go without.

After floods triggered by Cyclone Idai left tens of thousands homeless in Malawi, Rotary members connected ShelterBox with communities in the Blantyre region, helping them understand local needs and culture. Members helped deliver emergency shelter to almost 2,000 families. And ShelterBox supported the Rotary Club of Limbe to join the wider disaster response, enabling the club to deliver food to communities whose entire crops had been destroyed by the floods.

Facts and figures

- 90% of ShelterBox responses assisted by Rotary
- 1,000 Rotary members have roles in ShelterBox, in the UK and internationally
- £54m+ raised for ShelterBox by Rotary supporters since 2000

## Meetings

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- 8/8 Justin Allen - Broad Street Media
- 8/15 Regular Meeting - Jeremy Emmett to share plans for the new Marriott Hotel
- 8/22 Regular Meeting
- 8/29 Angela Williamson will present Scott Romanowski - Fall Risk for Seniors

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 8/3 Dawna Bicknell Tanner
- 8/6 Janet Liles
- 8/9 Cameron Jahnke
- 8/9 Andre Marria
- 8/13 Andy Vann
- 8/13 Harry Tomlinson
- 8/13 Joe Tarver
- 8/15 Scott Smith
- 8/17 Donald Sims
- 8/18 Christy Cooke
- 8/22 Frank Helms
- 8/23 Rankin Smith, Jr.
- 8/26 George Keeling, III
- 8/29 Mike Stephenson

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/2 Krista Peace (6)
- 8/7 Niki Gatlin (9)
- 8/8 Ben Wilds (49)
- 8/10 Bill Dickey (51)
- 8/13 Coy Irvin (42)
- 8/18 Arlen Yokley (62)
- 8/18 Doris Yokley (62)
- 8/19 Gary Tucker (59)
- 8/19 Carlton Bryant (44)
- 8/20 Russell Chubb (59)
- 8/22 Shelley Zorn (27)
- 8/24 Roy Campbell (68)
- 8/28 Al Park (48)

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8/29 Walter Marria, Jr. (46)  
8/30 Scott Sterling (39)

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## YEARS OF SERVICE

8/1 Walter Gilbert (28)  
8/1 Wilson Carraway, Jr. (36)  
69 years in Rotary  
8/1 Fran Milberg (23)  
25 years in Rotary  
8/2 Adrian Burns (1)  
8/2 Doris Yokley (1)  
8/2 Walter Marria, Jr. (1)  
8/2 Pat Choice (1)  
8/2 Carlton Bryant (1)  
8/3 Susan Backofen (2)  
7 years in Rotary  
8/8 Scott Sterling (11)  
8/10 Dawn Hunnewell (7)  
8/10 Debbie Quinton (7)  
8/10 Heather Lindquist (7)  
8/13 Mark Lowe (10)  
8/13 Jonathan Cleveland (4)  
8/13 Cameron Jahnke (4)  
8/16 Niki Gatlin (1)  
8/20 George Keeling, III (2)  
13 years in Rotary  
8/23 Philip Leabo, Jr. (1)  
8/24 Krista Peace (2)  
8/24 David Hufstetler (2)  
8/25 Andy Sheppard (3)  
8/27 David Flowers (10)

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