Rotary Club of Thomasville

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In the beginning were two cotton buyers.....

Celebrating 100 Years

Brothers Crawford and Rhydon Mays were given credit by our first club president J.B. Jemison for “agitating” the organization of the club. The Mays were cotton buyers in the Thomasville office of Georgia Cotton Company, which was headquartered in Albany. When Crawford transferred to the head office, he joined Albany’s Rotary Club. Shortly after, he and Rhydon began enthusiastically recommending the formation of a club in Thomasville.

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ABC's of Rotary

Until 1989 the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary International stated that Rotary club membership was for males only. In 1978 the Rotary Club of Duarte, California, invited three women to become members. The RI board withdrew the charter of that club for violation of the RI Constitution. The club brought suit against RI claiming a violation of a state civil rights law that prevents discrimination of any form in business establishments or public accommodations. The appeals court and the California Supreme Court supported the Duarte position that Rotary could not remove the club's charter merely for inducting women into the club. The United States Supreme Court upheld the California court indicating that Rotary clubs do have a "business purpose" and are in some ways public-type organizations. This action in 1987 allowed women to become Rotarians in any jurisdiction having similar "public

MEETINGS

January is Vocational Service Month

1/7	William Lokey - Reflections on 9/11 at the World Trade Center
1/14	TBD
1/21	William Lokey - Lessons from Hurricane Katrina --That Was Then, This is Now
1/28	Jacklyn Donovan - RYLA
2/4	The New Black History Makers
2/11	Archbold CEO Darcy Craven
2/18	Jared Benko - Athletic Director at GSU
2/25	On site Visit at Archbold Advanced Therapy and Sports Medicine facility

BIRTHDAYS

1/6	John Taylor
1/7	Kim Walden
1/8	Julie Carter
1/9	Teri White
1/9	Carol Jones
1/9	Sally Bowman
1/9	Frances Parker
1/13	Albert Park
1/16	Ray Thompson
1/17	Ashley Palmer
1/21	Erik von Hellens
1/23	Nathaniel Tyler
1/28	Marcy Sizemore

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1/9	Bob Drummond (39)
1/14	Wayne Newsome (42)
1/17	Debbie Goodman (40)

accommodation" statutes. The RI constitutional change was made at the 1989 Council on Legislation, with a vote to eliminate the "male only" provision for all of Rotary. Since that time, women have become members and leaders of clubs and districts throughout the world.

YEARS OF SERVICE

1/14	Scott Smith (13)
1/15	Vann Middleton (6)
1/24	Charlene Parrish (19)
1/31	Dawna Bicknell Tanner (2)
1/31	Lorraine Williams Rahming (2)
2/1	Marta Jones-Turner (27)
2/1	Bradford Jackson (27)

ROTARY ONLINE

https://thomasvillerotary.org
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ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
The Plaza Restuarant
217 Broad St
Thomasville, GA 31792

LEADERSHIP

President	John Brown
President-Elect	Wayne Newsome
President Nominee	Danny Braddy
Immediate PP	Kim Walden
Treasurer	Teri White
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