Rotary Club of Thomasville

Newsletter
JANUARY 14, 2025

Membership Team Update

Support Personnel Needed

As the Membership Committee plans the rest of this Rotary year, we need support in a few areas. If you are interested in supporting any of these areas, please contact Angela Williamson.

Membership includes sub-committees for **We Care**, **Greeters**, **Coffee Chats**, **Wine or Whine**, and more, and it takes all the club's members to support these initiatives and ensure that all our members feel seen, heard and appreciated for the efforts they bring to Rotary Club of Thomasville.

We Care provides cards to members who are ill, have lost a family member or simply need a little sunshine. We Care team members announce updates about those Rotarians who receive cards at weekly meetings.

Team leads are Mary Beth (January), Copper (February), Janet (March), and Angela (April). We are looking for a team member to lead We Care for May and for June.

Greeters welcome members and guests as they enter weekly Rotary Club meetings, track attendance and help answer questions that may arise.

Team leads are Stephan (January), Jeff (February), Rich (March) and Angela (May). We are looking for greeters for April and June.

Coffee Chats are generally on the third Wednesday of every month at Grassroots Coffee and present an opportunity to fellowship with fellow Rotarians in a casual, unstructured environment. Grab a cup of coffee and say hello or order breakfast and sit and stay for a while. Coffee Chats are hosted by Morgan Bailey and at least one member of the membership committee.

Team leads are Angela (Jan. 15), Anna (Feb. 19 and March 19). We are looking for coffee enthusiasts to join Morgan as hosts for April 16, May 21 and June 18.

Wine or Whine is monthly on the first Thursday of the month and represents another opportunity for casual gatherings to get to know your fellow Rotarians and bring potential new members. Our

MEETINGS

January is Vocational Service Month

1/16	Regular Meeting at Vashti -- Chris White, Thomasville City Manager, brings update on City Government
1/30	Thomas County Sheriff Tim Watkins to speak, introduced by Thomasville police Chief Wade Glover
2/6	Fellowship & Fun
2/13	Thomasville's Homeless Population
2/20	Pack & Sort at Second Harvest
2/27	Thomasville Antiques Show featured exhibitor Duncan Connelly of 13th Colony Arts
3/6	TCCHS Robot Wars: CyberStinger Robotics Team
3/13	Challenger Catastrophe & Climate Change by Philip Browne

EVENTS

1/15	Coffee Chat
1/18	Manna Drop at Restoration Tabernacle 1002 N. Broad St. -- HOTC & ROTARY CLUB
1/18	Manna Drop at Restoration Tabernacle
2/6	Wine or Whine
2/6	Blood Drive
2/10	Board Meeting
2/13	District Governor Social
2/14	Rotarians Have Heart for Seniors

LEADERSHIP

President	Marta Jones-Turner
President-Elect	Nathaniel Tyler
Immediate PP	Mary Beth Donalson
Vice President	Nathaniel Tyler
Treasurer	Warren Ballard

next Wine or Whine will be Feb. 6 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Plaza.

We are looking for a variety of hosts and sites for Wine or Whine.

New Members: Additionally, we are always looking for potential Rotarians who would add to the depth of our membership and who have a drive to support the community through our community service work. Our district goal this year is to net three new members, but we like to be overachievers, so we'd love to add additional new members before the end of June.

For more information, to suggest a new member, or to sign up for any of these support initiatives, please contact Angela Williamson.

Save the Date for the next **Fireside Chat**: Tuesday, April 1, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Gentian Creek Preserve Barn.

Saturday, Jan. 18

MLK Day of Service Manna Drop

Rotary is combining forces with Hands on Thomas County for an **MLK Day of Service Manna Drop** on Saturday, Jan. 18. Cosponsors are Food Lion Feeds, Second Harvest of South Georgia and the MLK Humanitarian Walk & Festival. *This event replaces our regular monthly produce market. We will distribute lots of food in this combined effort!*

Please meet at Restoration Tabernacle Church, 1001 N. Broad St., near the intersection of Luten Lane and North Broad Street, at 8:30 a.m. to begin packing boxes and set up. The drop will begin at or before 9:30 a.m.

Note: Because the current weather forecast is predicting rain Saturday, this fully outdoor location may change. If the location changes, we will notify you of the new location before 8:30 Saturday morning. Watch for updates.

Contact Barbara Williams Anderson or Matt Edwards with questions.

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ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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

ROTARY ONLINE

https://thomasvillerotary.org
https://rotary6900.org/
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YEARS OF SERVICE

1/14	Scott Smith (17)
1/15	Vann Middleton (10)
1/24	Charlene Parrish (23)
1/31	Dawna Bicknell Tanner (6)
1/31	Lorraine Williams Rahming (6)
2/1	Marta Jones-Turner (31)
2/1	Bradford Jackson (31)
2/2	Frances Parker (2) 29 years in Rotary
2/2	Harry Tomlinson (2) 44 years in Rotary
2/8	Joe Tarver (7)
2/9	Arthur Wigfall (2)