Rotary Club of Thomasville

Newsletter

JULY 30, 2025

Thursday, Aug. 7

Wine or Whine + Going Away Party for Ivan

August's Wine or Whine is Thursday, Aug. 7 at Kin Wine Market & Lounge, 204 S Broad St.

It also a special event: a going away party for Ivan Santoyo, our first-ever Rotary Youth Exchange student who will study in France for the 2025-2026 academic year, so we are featuring a French theme. ***Vive la France!***

Please RSVP by Thursday, July 31. We will provide drink tickets and hors d'oeuvre based on the RSVP list.



Thursday, July 31

Shelley Zorn: Development Authority



MEETINGS

July is Maternal and Child Health Month

7/31	Shelley Zorn: President and CEO, Thomasville Payroll Development Authority
8/7	Ga. Rep. Darlene Taylor
8/14	Halcyon Home
8/21	Update: Care Packages for the Homeless
8/28	Operation Lifesaver: Railroad Safety & Awareness
9/4	We are Thomasville Humane
9/11	Dr Bill Ellis - Health and Fitness
9/18	Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce

EVENTS

8/7	Wine or Whine & Send off for Ivan Santoyo, our RYE student going to France
8/7	Wine or Whine
8/11	Board Meeting
8/14	Blood Drive
8/20	Coffee Chat
8/23	Rotary/United Way Golf Classic
8/29	Tentative Rotaract meet & greet
8/29	Rotaract Interest Meeting (TENTATIVE)

LEADERSHIP

President	Nathaniel Tyler
President-Elect	Joe Tarver
Immediate PP	Marta Jones-Turner
Vice President	Joe Tarver
Treasurer	Warren Ballard
Secretary	Anne Candelaria Flores
Executive Secretary/Director	Teri White

This week, our guest speaker is **Shelley Zorn**, president and CEO of the Thomasville Payroll Development Authority. Shelley manages industry recruitment, retail recruitment, and existing industry support for Thomas County, and she has done so for 11 years. She has more than 20 years of economic development experience as well as 15 years of banking experience, specializing in commercial lending and marketing.

She will discuss the current state of economic development in our community.

Saturday, Aug. 23

Rotary Golf Tournament

The Rotary Club of Thomasville and United Way Golf Classic, benefitting our Rotary Big Impact community projects and the Thomas County United Way, is **Saturday, Aug. 23** at Country Oaks Golf Course.

United Way supports 18 local agencies, directly impacting the lives of countless residents. Your participation and support are vital in making this event a success. We need volunteers on the afternoon of Friday, Aug. 22 and morning of the golf tournament.

To volunteer, **sign up here** or contact **Scooter Grubbs** or **Mary Beth Donalson**.

Sponsors should **complete this form** and return it to Mary Beth.



Upcoming Events

Past President	Wayne Newsome
Past President	André Marria

Directors

Club President Nominee	Chandler Giddes
Public Image	David Sofferin
Foundation	Jason Goldman
Membership	Arthur Wigfall
Service Projects	Melanie Cromartie
Youth Service	Chandler Giddes
Admin	Sally Bowman

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/
https://rotary.org/

YEARS OF SERVICE

8/1	Fran Milberg (29) 31 years in Rotary
8/1	Wilson Carraway, Jr. (42) 46 years in Rotary
8/2	Carlton Bryant (7)
8/2	Adrian Smith Burns (7)
8/2	Walter Marria, Jr. (7)
8/8	Scott Sterling (17)
8/24	David Hufstetler (8)
8/24	Michael Beaty (2)
8/24	Marianne Horchler (2)

Mark Your Calendar

Here's your running look at the calendar for August.



- **Thursday, Aug. 7:** Georgia State Rep. Darlene Taylor will give a report on the Georgia legislature, sharing important legislation that came out of 2025 and items to look for in 2026.
- **Thursday, Aug. 7, 5:30 p.m.:** Wine or Whine, Kin Wine Market & Lounge, 204 S Broad St. Wine or Whine will be also be a going away party for Ivan Santoyo, our Rotary Youth Exchange student who will study in France for the 2025-2026 academic year. Rotary will provide drinks and hors d'oeuvres based on the RSVP list.
- **Thursday, Aug. 14:** Jennifer Green, LMSW, of Halcyon Home will be our guest speaker.
- **Thursday, Aug. 14:** There will be a blood drive at Rotary. Sign up at this week's meeting or contact the blood bank to reserve your time in advance.
- Wednesday, Aug. 20: Coffee Chat at Grassroots Coffee. Stop in anytime between 7:30 a.m. and 8:15 for coffee and casual conversation with fellow Rotarians in a small group format.
- **Thursday, Aug. 21:** Instead of packing food for Second Harvest this month, we will have a regular meeting at 12:15 p.m. at Vashti to make care packages for the local homeless community.
- **Saturday, Aug. 23:** Rotary-United Way Golf Tournament To volunteer, sign up here or contact Scooter Grubbs or Mary Beth Donalson. Sponsors should complete this form and return it to Mary Beth.
- **Thursday, Aug. 28:** Operation Lifesaver: Railroad Safety & Awareness

The calendar is subject to changes. Find the most updated Rotary

calendar anytime:

- Add any individual calendar item from the Rotary calendar to your personal calendar.
- Subscribe to the Rotary calendar for automatic updates.