Rotary Club of Thomasville

Newsletter

OCTOBER 15, 2025

Save the Date

Rotary Leadership Institute

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 10 at Southern Regional Technical College. All Rotarians are required to complete Part 1, but members are encouraged to attend their appropriate session.

RLI is designed to assist in improving Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of future leaders of our Rotary clubs and is offered at three levels over one-day workshops.

More information to come.

Thursday, Oct. 16 & Saturday, Oct. 18

Sort, Pack & Distribute Fresh Produce

The club will meet on **Thursday, Oct. 16** at **11:30 a.m.** at Second Harvest Food Bank to pack food boxes for this month's fresh produce distribution. After we finish packing, enjoy a box lunch with the team or grab one to go. Please join us!



We'll distribute our fresh produce boxes on **Saturday, Oct. 18** at Weston Park. Set-up begins at **7:30 a.m.**, and distribution begins at 8:30 a.m. or as soon as we are ready.

Each month, we distribute more than 25 pounds of fresh produce and a protein to more than 200 community members in need as

MEETINGS

October is Economic and Community Development Month

10/16	Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
10/23	GRSP Student Speaks/Kickoff for GRSP
10/30	District Governor Steve Ivory Visit
11/6	ATC/Cobotics
11/13	Vashti Traditional Thanksgiving Program
11/20	Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
11/27	No Meeting ! Happy Thanksgiving!
12/4	Holiday Party/Auction Finale at Center for the Arts

EVENTS

10/15	Coffee Chat
10/18	Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park
10/23	GRSP Reception
10/24	World Polio Day
10/29	District Governor Reception
10/30	Board Meeting
11/6	Wine or Whine
11/19	Coffee Chat

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

part of our **Big Impact Project**. Those who benefit from the project complete USDA paperwork validating their household income before they receive assistance, and often are in line to receive produce before set up begins at 7:30 a.m.

Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or trying it out for the first time, we'd love to see you there. Bring your energy, your smile, and maybe a friend or two! Let's make a difference – together.

Thursday, Oct. 23

GRSP Campaign Kick-off

We'll hear from GRSP Student **Helena Komrzyova** at our meeting on Thursday, Oct. 23. She's had a few weeks to get settled at her host home with Mary Beth Donalson and at Valdosta State University. She'll give us a presentation telling us about herself, her home country, and what she hopes to learn this year during her studies in the United States.

Additionally, club members will receive their current GRSP Foundation giving-status as we kick off our annual giving campaign. Later that day, Debbie Goodman will host a GRSP reception at her home at 116 N. Dawson St. from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. **RSVP here** or contact Angela Williamson.

Sunday, Oct. 26

National Guard Send-Off

On **Sunday, Oct. 26**, we'll host a send-off event for the National Guard unit stationed here in Thomasville.

To volunteer, contact Melanie Cromartie. More details will be available soon.

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

10/16	Francis Lilly (11) 14 years in Rotary
10/27	Jim Carter (14)
10/27	J.D. Sears (3)
10/27	Matt Edwards (3)
11/1	Albert Park (30)
11/4	Carol Jones (21)
11/6	Ronald Salter (17)
11/8	Renee Oliveto (18)
11/10	Morgan Bailey (9)



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar: October

Plan your calendar for October with this calendar at a glance:



- **Thursday, Oct. 16:** Sort & Pack at Second Harvest Food Bank, 11:30 a.m.
- **Saturday, Oct. 18:** Fresh Produce Distribution at Weston Park. Set up begins at 7:30; distribution begins as soon as set-up is completed. This is HOTC Day so there are may activities in the community. As many helpers as are available would be welcome to help!
- **Thursday, Oct. 23:** GRSP Student Helena Komrzyova will speak at the kickoff for this year's GRSP annual giving campaign.
- **Thursday, Oct. 23:** GRSP Reception from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Debbie Goodman's home, 116 N. Dawson St., Thomasville. **Please RSVP online** or sign up with Angela Williamson. Please include any guests you plan to bring when you register.
- **Friday, Oct. 24:** World Polio Day
- **Sunday, Oct. 26:** National Guard Send-off
- **Wednesday, Oct. 29, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.:** Reception for District Governor Steve Ivory at Scott Rich's guest house: 502 E. Jefferson St. **RSVP on the club calendar.**
- **Thursday, Oct. 30:** District Governor Steve Ivory will lead our meeting. Please mark your calendars

to attend so we'll have good attendance for his visit.
The meeting will be preceded by a board meeting at Vashti. Board members, please attend.

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.