



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER February 11, 2020

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

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

This Week's Program

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> You can find out more at the Film Thomasville website: https://www.filmthomasville.com/

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The Valentine part will be at the Scott Senior Center on Friday February 14th from 10-1 p.m. Rotarians are encouraged to come share a smile!

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Cocktails and Commerce Next Week!

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ABC's of Rotary

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Meetings

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- 2/13 ALLEN Cheney and Ryan Smith, making movies in Thomasville.
- 2/20 NO LUNCH Meeting
 TODAY! Join us for
 Cocktails & Commerce this
 evening at 5:30 pm
- 2/27 Stewards of Children & Erin's Law Jackla Lawson
- 3/5 Regular Meeting

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 2/1 Clay Campbell
- 2/1 Gerry Gilmer
- 2/5 Gregory Adams
- 2/5 Claire Bowen
- 2/9 Michele Arwood
- 2/11 Nick Murray
- 2/12 Lorraine Williams Rahming
- 2/15 Tom Callaway, III
- 2/16 Renee Oliveto
- 2/19 Tom Harrison, Jr.
- 2/19 Marta Turner
- 2/25 Shelley Zorn
- 2/27 Ronnie Godwin

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/4 Bob Ackerman (52)
- 2/6 Julie Carter (27)
- 2/15 Erik von Hellens (19)
- 2/22 Eugene McNease (53)
- 2/28 John Archer, Sr. (6)

YEARS OF SERVICE

- 2/1 Marta Turner (26)
- 2/1 Bradford Jackson (26)
- 2/1 Russell Chubb (43)

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2/8 Joe Tarver (2)2/26 Nate Tyler (22)2/27 Shelba Sellers (5)

Rotary Online

https://thomasvillerotary.org https://rotary6900.org/ https://rotary.org/

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John Glenn, Jr.

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