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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

February 11, 2025

February is Peace and Conflict  
Prevention Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
Vashti Center  
1815 East Clay Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792

Through Feb. 14

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## Meetings

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- 2/27 Thomasville Antique Show
- 4/24 Sam McCoy - artist and FSU professor

## Events

- 2/13 District Governor Social
- 2/14 Rotarians Have Heart for Seniors
- 2/19 Coffee Chat
- 2/22 Produce Distribution at Weston Park

### ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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#### LEADERSHIP

President	Marta Jones-Turner
President-Elect	Nathaniel Tyler
Immediate PP	Mary Beth Donalson
Vice President	Nathaniel Tyler
Treasurer	Warren Ballard
Secretary	Anna Lee
Public Image	David Sofferin

#### Directors

Membership	Angela Williamson
Service Projects	Barbara Williams-Anderson

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Foundation	Carol Jones
Club	Scott Rich
Director	
Youth	Chandler Giddes
Service	
Admin	Devona Thompson

## Rotary Online

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

## YEARS OF SERVICE

2/1	Marta Jones-Turner (31)
2/1	Bradford Jackson (31)
2/2	Wallace Goodman (2) 32 years in Rotary
2/2	Frances Parker (2) 29 years in Rotary
2/2	Harry Tomlinson (2) 44 years in Rotary
2/2	Warren Stafford (2) 44 years in Rotary
2/6	Dwayne Anderson (0)
2/6	Craig Miller (0) 18 years in Rotary
2/8	Joe Tarver (7)
2/9	Arthur Wigfall (2)
2/22	Jason Goldman (1)
2/22	Ash Mervin (1)
2/24	Anna Lee (3)
2/24	Meka McCaskill (3)
2/26	Nathaniel Tyler (27)
2/27	Shelba Sellers (10)

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