



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER January 21, 2020

January is Vocational Service Month

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

#### This Week's Program



Ben Huntzinger - Spartan Wheel Chariot

Spartan Wheel Chariots is owned by a paraplegic outdoor fanatic who started by building rugged off-road wheelchairs on the tailgate of his pickup truck. Even the best conventional wheelchairs are not designed for outdoor use. Founder Ben Huntzinger was determined to fix that. Ben researched the least expensive products that still maintain strong integrity for all day rugged terrain. That way, everyone could afford an off-road ride. He partnered with Spinery Wheels, the Cadillac of wheels to identify a strong and reliable wheel with the best price per wheel. We believe everybody worldwide needs access to living. Backwoods Wheelchairs is the answer.

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#### **Board Meeting Next Tuesday**

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There are few things better than recognizing individuals who are important to us and have made a difference in our lives and careers. Please consider doing that by naming them as a Paul Harris Fellow.

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## **Meetings**

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- 1/23 Ben Huntzinger Spartan Wheel Chariot
- 1/30 DGND Kirk Dricoll Visit
- 2/6 Regular Meeting
- 2/13 ALLEN Cheney and Ryan Smith, making movies in Thomasville.

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 1/1 Paul Hancock
- 1/1 Ellis Jackson
- 1/1 Randy Watts
- 1/3 Adam Carvin
- 270 Madin Odi Vi
- 1/6 terry Rouse
- 1/7 Kim Walden
- 1/8 Julie Carter
- 1/9 Teri White
- 1/9 Carol Jones
- 1/9 Frances Parker
- 1/10 Debbie Quinton
- 1/13 Al Park
- 1/13 Hinson Arwood
- 1/16 Ray Thompson
- 1/16 John Archer, Sr.
- 1/21 Erik von Hellens
- 1/21 Tim Filston
- 1/22 Susan Backofen
- 1/23 Nate Tyler
- 1/25 John Brown
- 1/25 Shelba Sellers

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 1/6 Mike Bixler (47)
- 1/9 Bob Drummond (38)
- 1/14 Wayne Newsome (41)
- 1/17 Debbie Goodman (39)
- 1/17 Wallace Goodman (39)
- 1/20 Warren Stafford (57)
- 1/22 Howard Stephens (50)

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## "Things New and Strange"



1/24 Clay Campbell (39)

## **YEARS OF SERVICE**

1/1 Powell Jones (34) 39 years in Rotary

1/1 Ed Elam, III (39)

Richard Vann (24)

GRSP Admin (3)

1/9 Paul Hancock (6)

1/10 Nathaniel Abrams (7)

1/14 Scott Smith (12)

1/15 Vann Middleton (5)

1/17 Mary Collins (9) 12 years in Rotary

1/24 Charlene Parrish (18)

1/26 Claire Bowen (3)

Chris Huckans (4)

1/29 Adam Carvin (5)

1/31 Dawna Bicknell Tanner (1)

Lorraine Williams Rahming

## **Rotary Online**

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

### **ROTARY CLUB OF** THOMASVILLE

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#### **LEADERSHIP**

President Kim Walden John Brown President-Elect

Immediate PP Andre Marria

terry Rouse Vice President

> Treasurer Teri White

> Rick Piper Treasurer

Angela Secretary Williamson

Membership Adam Carvin

John Glenn, Jr. Foundation

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Sergeant-at-Arms Danny Braddy

Program Director Jay Flowers

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