



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 7, 2024

Nov. 27 to Dec. 5

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Jones Turner 229.221.0858. (To email any member of the auction team, click his or her name above.) Thursday, Oct. 10

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Fireside Chat

The Barn at Gentian Creek Preserve

5:30 pm 'til 7:30 pm

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## **Meetings**

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10/10 Commissioner Kevin
Tanner from Georgia
Department of Behavioral
Health & Developmental
Disabilities

10/17 Meeting at Second Harvest to Pack & Sort Produce for Saturday Free Market

10/24 World Polio Day presented by Foundation Chair Carol Jones

10/31 Club History & Traditions
-- celebrated every 5th
Thursday

### **Events**

10/16 Coffee & Conversations

10/19 Free Produce Market at Weston Park

11/28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

12/5 Blood Drive

## 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

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#### **Directors**

Membership Angela Williamson Foundation Carol Jones

Service Barbara Williams-Projects Anderson

Club Director Scott Rich

Youth Service Chandler Giddes Admin Devona Thompson

## **Rotary Online**

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

# YEARS OF SERVICE

10/3 Julie Carter (5)

10/3 Monty Milikin (0)

10/4 Kurt Stringfellow (6)

10 years in Rotary

10/13 Teri White (13)

10/13 Darcy Craven (3) 8 years in Rotary

10/16 Tim Filston (10)

10/16 Francis Lilly (10) 13 years in Rotary

10/27 Jim Carter (13)

10/27 Matt Edwards (2)

10/27 Tina McBride (2)

10/27 J.D. Sears (2)



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