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Jennifer Green, Executive Director of Halcyon Home

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- 8/14 Halcyon Home
- 8/21 Update: Care Packages for the Homeless
- 8/28 Operation Lifesaver: Railroad Safety & Awareness
- 9/4 Annual Club Assembly Meeting
- 9/11 Dr Bill Ellis - Health and Fitness
- 9/18 Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce
- 9/25 Darcy Craven - Archbold

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ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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LEADERSHIP

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Directors

Fundraising	Mary Beth Donalson
Public Image	David Sofferin
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Club Advisor	Joe Brown
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YEARS OF SERVICE

8/1	Fran Milberg (29) 31 years in Rotary
8/1	Wilson Carraway, Jr. (42) 75 years in Rotary
8/2	Carlton Bryant (7)
8/2	Adrian Burns (7)
8/2	Walter Marria, Jr. (7)
8/8	Scott Sterling (17)
8/24	David Hufstetler (8)
8/24	Michael Beaty (2)
8/24	Marianne Horchler (2)
8/25	Andy Sheppard (9)
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