


**Rotary**  
Club of Thomasville



September is Basic Education and  
Literacy Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
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1921  
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### **From the Presidents Desk**



## Club Calendar

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- 9/6 Regular Meeting-Past District Governor Robert Hall and Charlene Hall
- 9/13 Regular Meeting-Wayne Peace, Former University of Florida Quarterback
- 9/20 Regular Meeting-Kim Lord, Brookwood College Counselor
- 9/27 Regular Meeting-Josh Small of Specatcor Management Group

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 9/1 Mary Beth Donalson
- 9/2 Rick Piper
- 9/6 William Felts
- 9/7 Vann Middleton
- 9/8 Arlen Yokley
- 9/9 Ed Titus
- 9/11 Warren Stafford
- 9/11 Debbie Goodman
- 9/20 Jonathan Cleveland
- 9/24 Joe Brown
- 9/24 Doris Yokley
- 9/27 Dan Bain
- 9/28 Eddie Smith
- 9/30 Tom Everett

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/4 David Lewis
- 9/4 Teri White
- 9/15 John Brown
- 9/18 Elijah Miranda
- 9/22 Jay Flowers

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|------|----------------------|
| 9/1  | Gary Tucker (36)     |
| 9/1  | Tom Callaway (32)    |
| 9/1  | Debbie Goodman (24)  |
| 9/4  | Rick Piper (4)       |
| 9/4  | Randy Watts (4)      |
| 9/7  | Bryant Peace (1)     |
| 9/11 | Mike Stephenson (10) |
| 9/15 | Tom Everett (12)     |
| 9/21 | Perry Mustian (18)   |
| 9/23 | Andy Jones (8)       |
| 9/25 | Wayne Newsome (4)    |
| 9/30 | Nick Murray (1)      |

## Rotary Online

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| President-Elect             | Kim Walden           |
| Immediate Past<br>President | Teri White           |
| Treasurer                   | Teri White           |
| Treasurer                   | Rick Piper           |
| Secretary                   | Angela<br>Williamson |
| Foundation<br>Chair         | Kim Walden           |
| Membership<br>Chair         | Ben Wilds            |
| Foundation<br>Chair         | Scott Rich           |
| Program<br>Director         | Al Nicholson         |
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