Rotary Club of Thomasville

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JUNE 2, 2020

This Week's Program Past RI Director 2010-2012 John Smarge!



John Smarge has been a Rotarian and resident of Naples, Florida since 1982. John and his wife Cindy are Major Donors and Bequest Society Members.

John graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a degree in Entrepreneurial Management. At the age of twenty-two, John left his home state of New Jersey, moved to Naples, FL and purchased a year old struggling moving company. His multi-faceted operation handling local, interstate and international moving is now the largest relocation business in SW Florida.

Professionally John was named a National Moving and Storage Association *Young Executive Fellow.* He has served as a Board Member of the Florida Movers and Warehousemen Association, as a Regional Director of the Southern Community Bank. He has been recognized as North American Van Lines *Top Quality Agent*.

John served as President of The Rotary Club of Naples in 1992-93 and as District 6960 Governor in 1995-96. John served as a Member of the Rotary International Board of Directors for 2010-2012 and was selected as the Chairman of the RI Board of Directors Executive Committee.

Internationally, John has twice been a Delegate to the Council on Legislation and a Member of the RI Board of Directors Nominating Committee. He has also served three times as a Member of the Rotary International President Nominating Committee. Additionally, he has been both a Rotary International Membership Coordinator and Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator. John served as General Chair for the Zone 33-34 Rotary Institute. He is a regular speaker around the world at PETS, Assemblies, TRF and Membership Seminars and has regularly represented the President at District Conferences. John has been a keynote speaker at the 2010 and 2018 International Assembly and the 2017 International

MEETINGS

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

6/4	John Smarge - Past Rotary International Director 6090 - HANWASH
6/11	Past Rotary International President Barry Rassin
6/17	Current Rotary International President Mark Maloney will be our Speaker!
6/25	Plaza Meeting (social distancing) with President Kim Year End (RSVP limited seating)
7/2	Plaza Meeting - President John Brown - Introduction of Board and Plans for the Coming Year
7/9	Regular Meeting-Joe Brown reviewed Thomasville Rotary website and Rotary International website with membership.
7/16	Jacqueline Knight - Covid 19 Angels
7/23	Ben Huntzinger - Spartan Wheel Cariott

BIRTHDAYS

6/5	Sharon Patrick
6/6	J.D. Sears
6/10	Esther-Marie Lawrence
6/12	Arthur Wigfall
6/20	Warren Ballard
6/24	Jim Carter
6/24	Wade Glover
6/25	Bradford Jackson
6/27	Kurt Stringfellow

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6/3	Ashley Palmer (14)
6/4	J.D. Sears (4)
6/5	Katie Chastain (16)

Convention. John served as Aide to the 2018-2019 Rotary International President.

John is currently serving on the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee and will serve as the Chairman of the 2022 RI Convention Committee (Houston, TX).

John considers the most rewarding aspects of his many years in Rotary to be the opportunity to participate in the PolioPlus National Immunization Days in India, his medical missions to Ternopil, Ukraine and his multiple humanitarian trips to the Caribbean. John is a driving force behind the HANWASH initiative to provide clean water and sanitation to all the citizens of Haiti.

John has received numerous awards for his Rotary Service including the *Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service*, the *Distinguished Service Award* the *Rotary International Service above Self Award* and was recognized in 1999 as the *District 6960 Rotarian of The Decade*. Additionally, Cindy, an Honorary Rotarian, has received the *Rotary International Service Above Self Award for Spouses*.

John and Cindy have three daughters and two grandchildren. Over the years his hobbies have included coaching school and AAU basketball and competitive auto racing. He has served as Chairman of the Board for the Naples YMCA and as a Board Member for the Boy Scouts of America, Shelter for Abused Women and Naples Girls Sports Foundation.

Virtual Wine or Whine Tuesday, June 2 at 5:30



Grab your favorite beverage and join us for Happy Hour with your Rotary Friends!

6/7	Irene Gleason (23)
6/7	William Jones (34)
6/19	Lindsay Clay (21)
6/24	Randy Watts (20)
6/28	Scott Rich (51)
6/28	Jason Goldman (6)

YEARS OF SERVICE

6/27	Rob Milberg (18)
6/27	Robert Ackerman (6) 43 years in Rotary

ROTARY ONLINE

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

ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

Thursdays, 12:15 pm
The Plaza Restuarant
217 Broad St
Thomasville, GA 31792

SOCIAL MEDIA

LEADERSHIP

President	Kim Walden
President-Elect	John Brown
Immediate PP	André Marria
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Secretary	Angela Williamson
Program Director	Jay Flowers
Public Image	Michael Bixler
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Directors

Club President Nominee	Wayne Newsome
Foundation	John Glenn, Jr.

Fireside Chat Will be June 9th at 6:00 pm

If you haven't been to a Fireside Chat here is your chance! Please rsvp to kimberlywalden@gmail.com



Membership	Charles Carvin
Club Youth Protection Officer	Lisa Billups
Youth Service	Krista Peace

Special Thanks to Tom Everett for the Excellent Program Last Week

Thanks Tom for the great program last week. We appreciate you sharing with our Club the many ways that the YMCA has been supporting our community the last several months. We also appreciate all that the YMCA does for the community with the Summer Food Service Program.
https://www.facebook.com/ThomasvilleYMCA/photos/rp...

June Schedule

June 2 - Virtual Wine or Whine at 5:30, **June 4** - Past Rotary International Director John Smarge is our Speaker

June 9 - Fireside Chat at TU at 6:00, **June 11** - Past Rotary International President Barry Rassin

June 16 - Past President's Meeting at 6:00 at Teri's Barn, **Wednesday June 17 - Current Rotary International President Mark Maloney**

June 20 - Rotary District Celebration at The Bibb Mill Event Center in Columbus - Everyone is invited

June 20-26 Virtual Rotary International Conference

June 23 - Rotary Joint Board Meeting at TU at 5:30 pm

June 25 - President Kim's Year in Review with Awards and the Induction of President-Elect John Brown - Details to follow!