Rotary Club of Thomasville

# Newsletter

JUNE 10, 2025

## Honoring Outstanding Rotarians

At last week's club meeting, we had the pleasure to honor fellow Rotarians and an amazing couple from the community with club awards for the year. Award recipients were:

- **Scooter Grubbs**: Dr. Charlie Watt Lifetime Service Award
- **Walter & Andre' Marria**: Rotarians of the Year
- **Jason Goldman**: Outstanding New Member
- **Carol Jones**: Outstanding Longtime Member
- **Joe Brown**: Outstanding Longtime Member

J and Lisa Knapp (community) and **Andy Jones** (Rotarian) received the Woody Faircloth Four Way Test Award.

What is Rotary's Four Way Test?

> *Of the things we think say or do,*
> *Is it the truth?*
> *Is it fair to all?*
> *Will it build goodwill and better friendships?*
> *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

It was great to recognize all of these people for their positive impact on Rotary and the community.

### Thursday, June 12

## Avoiding Heat Stroke

This week, Rotarian **Copper Comita** will present a timely program about heat stroke, as summer kicks off later this month. She will share common signs and symptoms of heat stroke and how to avoid it. She'll also share tips for treating heat stroke, common causes, and state-wide education efforts related to heat stroke.

Debbie Goodman also will present Georgia Rotary Student Program (GRSP) awards and the blood mobile will be onsite for those who would like to give blood.

## MEETINGS

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

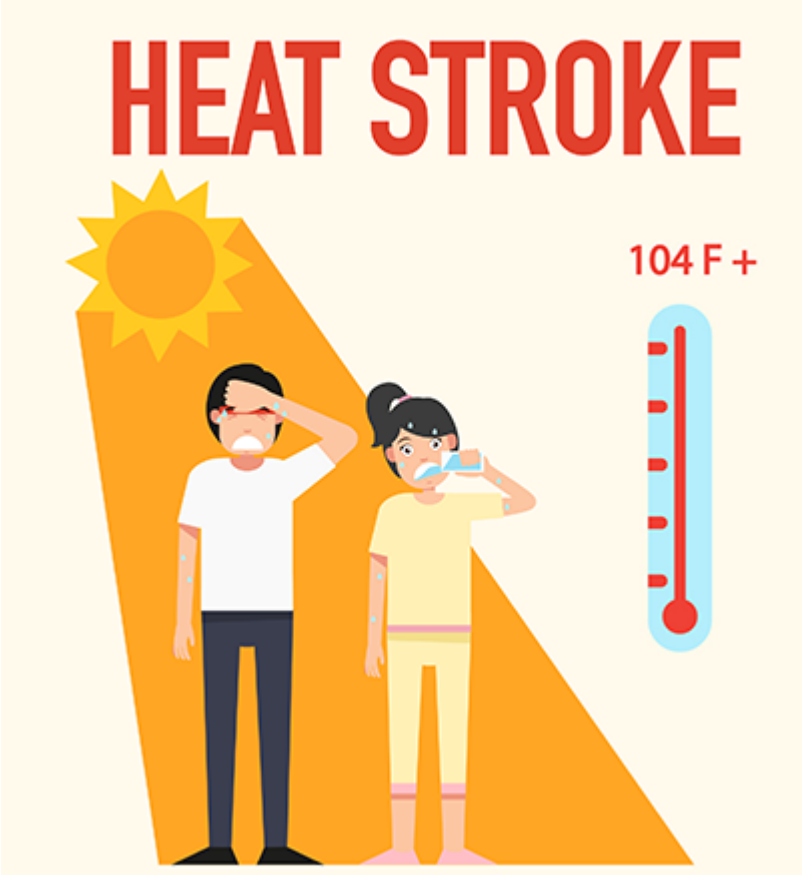
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| 6/12 | Avoiding Heatstroke by Copper Comita & GRSP Awards by Debbie Goodman |
| 6/19 | Meet at Second Harvest to Pack & Sort |
| 6/26 | Highlights from this Year & Induction of President Elect Nate Tyler |
| 7/3 | Stann McLeod – Thomas County Veterans Museum |
| 7/10 | County Manager Mike Stephenson |
| 7/17 | Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce |
| 7/24 | Esther-Marie Lawrence: New executive director of the Chamber |
| 7/31 | Shelley Zorn: President and CEO, Thomasville Payroll Development Authority |

## EVENTS

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| 6/12 | Blood Drive |
| 6/18 | Coffee Chat |
| 6/21 | Produce Market-Weston Park |
| 7/10 | Wine or Whine |
| 7/14 | Board Meeting |
| 7/16 | Coffee Chat |
| 7/19 | No Produce Distribution This Month |
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## LEADERSHIP

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| President | Marta Jones-Turner |
| President-Elect | Nathaniel Tyler |
| Immediate PP | Mary Beth Donalson |
| Vice President | Nathaniel Tyler |
| Treasurer | Warren Ballard |
| Secretary | Anna Lee |
| Public Image | David Sofferin |




Monday, June 16

## Board Transition Session

All current and/or upcoming board members should attend a special joint board meeting from **5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** on **Monday, June 16** at the Chamber of Commerce. This is an important session as we transition from Marta's presidency to Nate's. If you are a current member of the board or will become one under Nate's presidency, please attend.



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| Past President | Wayne Newsome |

### Directors

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| Foundation | Carol Jones |
| Membership | Angela Williamson |
| Service Projects | Barbara Williams-Anderson |
| Youth Service | Chandler Giddes |
| Club Director | Scott Rich |
| Admin | Devona Thompson |

### ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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

### ROTARY ONLINE

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

### YEARS OF SERVICE

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| 6/16 | George Stephens, Jr. (2)<br>55 years in Rotary |
| 6/27 | Rob Milberg (23) |
| 6/27 | Daniel Pittman (1) |
| 6/27 | Robert Ackerman (11)<br>48 years in Rotary |
| 7/1 | Rick Piper (1)<br>8 years in Rotary |
| 7/1 | C. Grubbs, III (38) |
| 7/1 | Donald Sims (36) |
| 7/1 | Jeff Zoller (16) |
| 7/1 | Mary Beth Donalson (11) |
| 7/1 | Sharon Patrick (21) |
| 7/2 | William Dickey (10) |
| 7/4 | Erik von Hellens (13) |
| 7/6 | Kim Walden (8)<br>14 years in Rotary |
| 7/8 | Chandler Giddes (4) |

### Upcoming Events

## Mark Your Calendar

Here's your June calendar:




- **Thursday, June 12:** Copper Comita will bring a timely program about avoiding heat stroke and Debbie Goodman will present Georgia Rotary Student Program (GRSP) awards.
- **Thursday, June 12:** The blood mobile will be on-hand at Vashti for those who would like to give blood.
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- **Wednesday, June 18,** from **7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.:** Coffee Chat at Grassroots Coffee. Fellowship with fellow Rotarians – no agenda, no program, just an opportunity to fellowship over coffee before you start your workday.
- **Thursday, June 19:** Pack and Sort at Second Harvest, beginning at 11:30 a.m.
- **Saturday, June 21:** Produce distribution at Weston Park begins at 7:30 a.m.
- **Thursday, June 26:** Enjoy a recap of the Rotary year and induction of president-elect Nate Tyler.

The calendar is subject to changes. Find the most updated Rotary calendar anytime:

- Add any individual calendar item from the Rotary calendar to your personal calendar.
- Subscribe to the Rotary calendar for automatic updates.