Rotary Club of Thomasville

# Newsletter

FEBRUARY 4, 2026

### Thursday, Feb. 5

## Rotary Foundation Update

This week, **Rotary Foundation Director Jason Goldman** will give an update about the Rotary Foundation, its work, our club goals, and where we stand against those goals at this point in our fiscal year.

### About the Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than $4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.




Together, we can make an impact in your community and around the world.

**Our mission**

The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

**What impact can one donation have?**

- $3 is the average cost to fully protect a child against polio.

## MEETINGS

February is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month

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| 2/5 | Rotary Foundation Update \| Jason Goldman |
| 2/12 | Thomasville Bicentennial |
| 2/19 | Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce |
| 2/26 | A Visit at Hands and Hearts \| Susie Shin |
| 3/5 | Ashley Palmer & Lorrie Millings-Thomasville School/Credit |
| 3/12 | Kurt Stringfellow: TU President |
| 3/19 | Second Harvest: Pack & Sort Produce |
| 3/26 | Dr. Czaky, Son of First Generation GRSP Student |

## EVENTS

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| 2/12 | Blood Drive |
| 2/13 | Valentine Party at Scott Senior Center |
| 2/18 | Coffee Chat |
| 2/21 | Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park |
| 3/9 | Board Meeting |
| 3/17 | Honoring our local Heroes-Thomasville Police & Thomas Co Sheriff |
| 3/18 | Coffee Chat |
| 3/21 | Fresh Produce Market at Weston Park |

## LEADERSHIP

| | |
|---|---|
| President | Nathaniel Tyler |
| President-Elect | Joe Tarver |
| Immediate PP | Marta Jones-Turner |
| Vice President | Joe Tarver |
| Treasurer | Warren Ballard |

- $50 can maintain water filters to help fight waterborne illness.
- $200 to develop work opportunities by replacing livestock for people impacted by disasters.

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### Thursday, Feb. 12

## Blood Drive

The **OneBlood Blood Mobile** will be onsite at Vashti on Thursday, Feb. 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All donors will receive a prize along with a wellness checkup, including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening.

**Appointments are encouraged, please visit oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code 17630.**

Don't forget to bring your ID when you arrive for your appointment.



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### Volunteer: Friday, Feb. 13

## Rotary Has Heart for Seniors

The annual Rotary Scott Senior Center Valentine Party is Friday, Feb. 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join your fellow Rotarians to chat with seniors, serve lunch, pass out Valentines, and help the seniors visit the ice cream truck.

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| Secretary | Anne Candelaria Flores |
| Executive Secretary/Director | Teri White |
| Past President | Wayne Newsome |
| Past President | André Marria |

### Directors

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| Club President Nominee | Chandler Giddes |
| Public Image | David Sofferin |
| Foundation | Jason Goldman |
| Membership | Arthur Wigfall |
| Service Projects | Melanie Cromartie |
| Youth Service | Chandler Giddes |
| Admin | Sally Bowman |

### 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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|---|---|
| 2/6 | Craig Miller (1)<br>19 years in Rotary |
| 2/8 | Joe Tarver (8) |
| 2/9 | Arthur Wigfall (3) |
| 2/22 | Jason Goldman (2) |
| 2/24 | Anna Lee (4) |
| 2/26 | Nathaniel Tyler (28) |
| 3/1 | Joe Brown (21) |




Contact Angela Williamson (229.977.2657) to volunteer.

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### Plan ahead: Saturday, March 21

## Thomasville Ritz Music Festival

The **Thomasville R.E.A.D. Foundation** and the Rotary Club of Thomasville are planning the inaugural **Thomasville Ritz Music Festival** on Saturday, March 21, featuring an incredible variety of music performances – country, R&B, country rock, pop, southern soul funk, and music from some of the best DJs in the Southeast.

Proceeds from the festival will benefit R.E.A.D. and power its literacy initiative and support other life-changing programs and partnerships for children in K-12 schools in our community.

To become a sponsor or for more information, contact Stephan Thompson (404.488.2761). To volunteer, contact Angela Williamson (229.977.2657).

ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE & THE R.E.A.D. FOUNDATION PROUDLY PRESENT

# THOMASVILLE RITZ MUSIC FESTIVAL

Inaugural Celebration of Music, Community, & Purpose



BENEFITING THE THOMASVILLE R.E.A.D. INITIATIVE

## MARCH 21, 2026

GATES OPEN AT 3 PM | THE RITZ AMPHITHEATER

COUNTRY • R&B • ROCK • POP • AND MORE

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