

This Sunday, December 2nd Support the Troops Christmas Dinner at the Thomasville Exchange Club

The Rotary Club of Thomasville supports the 1230th Transportation Company, Georgia National Guard. This company has deployed to the combat zone in Iraq and Afghanistan twice in the last 10 years. The Club will honor some two hundred and eighty five of these soldiers and their families by supporting the Family Day Holiday party from 11 to 3, Sunday, December 2nd at the Exchange Club this year. On this day the soldiers and their families will celebrate each other, being provided gifts and a traditional Turkey dinner with all the trimmings. The hall will be decorated with holiday themes, holiday music and a Bounce House and slide will be provided. Santa Claus will make an appearance with gifts for the children. In addition, supported by Thomas University a Noncommissioned Officers will be honored with a Peacemaker Award and recognized for their service to the community. Rotarians and other volunteers will prepare the food for the officers and non-commissioned officers to serve. Thirty Rotarians will provide homemade desserts for the party. The event will be covered in the Thomasville Times Enterprise. This project reinforces our brand of supporting First Responders and soldiers as this year's overarching theme and is an annual event.



This Week's Program Marvin Dawson of the Kappa League Mentoring Initiative

PERSONAL-Married to Leta Ward-Dawson for 23 years
EDUCATION-Thomas University, Thomasville, GA: Master of Business Administration, 2002; University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, 1991; Craven Community College, New Bern, NC General Education,

Meetings

December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

- 12/6 Regular Meeting-GRSP - Debbie Goodman
- 12/13 Regular Meeting-District Governor Court Dowis
- 12/20 Regular Meeting-Lt Col Reg McCutcheon
- 12/27 NO MEETING TODAY-MERRY CHRISTMAS
- 1/3 NO MEETING TODAY-HAPPY NEW YEAR
- 1/10 Regular Meeting-Shelly Zorn-Development
- 1/17 Regular Meeting-Alan Carson, New City Manager will share stories about his background in city government and his vision for the future of Thomasville.
- 1/24 Regular Meeting-Sharon Edwards with SPARK Thomasville

Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 12/2 Lindsay Clay
- 12/7 Tim Daniel
- 12/10 Andrew Jones
- 12/11 Eric Ward
- 12/13 Bob Drummond
- 12/19 Tia Turner
- 12/23 Eugene McNease
- 12/24 Carlton Bryant
- 12/29 Susie Shin
- 12/31 Rob Milberg

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/1 Harry Tomlinson (46)
- 12/10 Devona Thompson (9)
- 12/10 Stephan Thompson (9)

1987 EMPLOYMENT-Flowers Foods, Inc.: Contracts
 Manager/Distributor Advocate/Distributor Ombudsman AWARDS
 • 2015 Flowers Foods Spirit Award Recipient • 2016
 Southeastern Province Guide Right/Kappa League Director of the
 Year (Small Chapter) • 2017 Volunteer of the Year for Hands on
 Thomas County • 2017 Southeastern Province Guide Right/Kappa
 League Director of the Year (Small Chapter) • 2017 National
 Director of the Year for the Guide Right/Kappa League Program
 for Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. PROFESSIONAL AND
 VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATIONS • Serves as Vice-Polemarch and
 Guide Right/Kappa League Chairman of the Thomasville Alumni
 Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. • Serves as President
 of the THS Tip-Off Club (Thomasville High School Boys Basketball
 Booster Club) • Serves as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Director
 for Marguerite Neil Williams Boys and Girls Club • Serves on the
 Thomasville/Thomas County YMCA Board of Directors • Serves on
 the Board of Directors for United Way of Thomasville • Serves as
 Chairman of Thomas University Alumni Board of Governors •
 Serves on the Board of Trustees for Thomas University • Serves
 as a member of the Board of Directors for Family Enrichment
 Group (CASA) • Trustee/Member of Greater Love Baptist Church,
 Thomasville, Georgia

Whine or Wine-Tuesday, December 4th @ Hubs & Hops

First Tuesday of the month from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. It's a great
 time to get to know one another and it is a make up!



Next Week's Program Georgia Rotary Student Program - Will Watt & Debbie Goodman

Mark you calendars now!
District Governor Court Dowis Official

12/11	Rankin Smith, Jr. (34)
12/16	James Bue (43)
12/19	Tom Shaw (10)
12/19	George Stephens, Jr. (73)
12/20	James Deen (12)
12/21	Fran Milberg (56)
12/22	Shelba Sellers (34)
12/29	Joe Brown (67)
12/30	Tim Filston (30)

YEARS OF SERVICE

12/1	Scott Rich (41)
12/1	Rebecca Strickland (15)

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

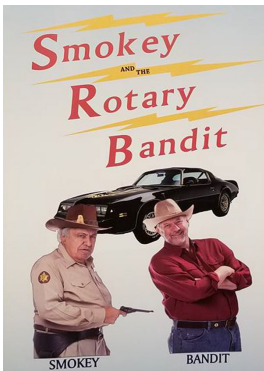
President	André Marria
President-Elect	Kim Walden
Immediate PP	Teri White
Vice President	Tom Callaway, III
Treasurer	Teri White
Treasurer	Rick Piper
Secretary	Angela Williamson
Program Director	Jay Flowers
Public Image	Marta Jones-Turner

Directors

Club President Nominee John Brown

Visit is coming up!

The reception for District Governor Court will be on Wednesday evening, December 12th from 5 pm to 7 pm at the home of Michele Arwood located at 331 Remington Avenue.



Foundation	Scott Rich
Foundation	Kim Walden
Membership	Ben Wilds
Youth Service	Eddie Smith
Community Service	C. Grubbs, III

It's Your Turn to Tell US "Why I am a Rotarian"

Over the last three weeks, we published "Why I am a Rotarian," in our newsletter. You heard from the past, current and future presidents of the Rotary Club of Thomasville. We were inspired by their reasons for joining Rotary and have a deeper understanding why they serve. Why are you a Rotarian? Every member has a personal story why they joined. We want to hear your stories, share them with other Rotarians, and share them with our community. Let's spread the word why we joined *the best club in the world*.

Here's how to share your story, "Why I am a Rotarian." In 100 words or less, tell us why you are a Rotarian. We can't wait to hear from you! Then, email your story to Didi Hoffman (hoffmandidi@gmail.com). We will publish your "Why I am a Rotarian," in our newsletters. We may also display them during the luncheon meetings for our membership to enjoy. We also plan to create a file of your letters and use some in branding and recruitment materials.

Our long-range plan is to package some of your "Why I am a Rotarian," letters in such a way that they will be considered, and hopefully, published in *The Rotarian*. We want to hear from all of you! Please tell us, "Why I am a Rotarian."

Registration is open for District 6900 Conference in April 2019



From the President's Desk

