

#### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 3, 2025

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Wine or Whine

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Learn more about his journey so far.

### **Meetings**

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- 3/6 TCCHS Robot Wars: CyberStinger Robotics Team
- 3/13 Challenger Catastrophe & Climate Change by Philip Browne
- 3/20 Pack & Sort at Second Harvest
- 3/27 Regenerative Farming with Putt Wetherbee of Schermer Pecans

### **Events**

- 3/6 Wine or Whine
- 3/10 Monthly Board Meeting
- 3/19 Coffee Chat
- 3/22 Produce Distribution at Weston Park

# ROTARY CLUB OF THOMASVILLE

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#### **LEADERSHIP**

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

**Directors** 

Membership Angela Williamson

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Service Barbara Williams-Projects Anderson Foundation Carol Jones Scott Rich Director

> Youth **Chandler Giddes** Service Admin Devona Thompson

## **Rotary Online**

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

## YEARS OF **SERVICE**

3/1 Joe Brown (20)

3/7 Bryant Beadles (12)

3/8 Hinson Arwood (7)

3/19 Angela Williamson (10)

3/19 Copper Comita (5)

3/19 John Comita, Jr. (5)

3/20 William Felts (11)

3/22 Irene Gleason (13)

Sharon Edwards (2)

3/24 Shanna Derby (2)

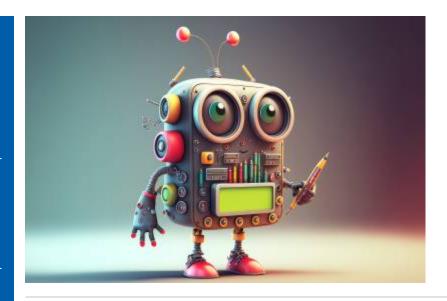
7 years in Rotary

3/24 Janet Liles (9)

Rankin Smith, Jr. (11) 25 years in Rotary

3/28 Danny Braddy (23)

Gregory Adams (9) 53 years in Rotary



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Have you signed up as a volunteer for Read-A-Thon at Garrison-Pilcher on Friday, March 7?

Each reader will select a book from a pre-selected cart and spend 15 minutes reading to their assigned first- or second-grade classroom as part of Read Across America Week.

To sign up, contact Chandler Giddes at (229) 201-0472.



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