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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

June 1, 2021

June is Rotary Fellowships  
Month

Thursdays, 12:15 pm  
The Plaza Restaurant  
217 South Broad Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792

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- What did I do well this past year?
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## Meetings

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

- 6/3 Representatives Darlene Taylor and John LaHood
- 6/10 Kevin Mis Solval, Ph.D. - UGA Associate Professor in food science
- 6/17 Regular Meeting
- 6/24 President John Brown Swan Song & Induction of Wayne Newsome

## Our Rotary Family BIRTHDAYS

- 6/2 Bill Dickey
- 6/3 Susan O'Neal
- 6/5 Sharon Patrick
- 6/13 Danny Braddy
- 6/16 Charles Dixon
- 6/20 Warren Ballard
- 6/22 Russell Chubb
- 6/24 Jim Carter
- 6/24 Jeff Zoller
- 6/24 Gail Roberts
- 6/25 Bradford Jackson
- 6/27 Kurt Stringfellow

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/4 John Glenn (59)
- 6/7 Irene Gleason (23)
- 6/7 Powell Jones (34)
- 6/7 Jamie Lawrence (6)
- 6/10 Michele Arwood (31)
- 6/14 Thomas Carlton (7)
- 6/14 Gerry Gilmer (6)
- 6/20 Philip Leabo, Jr. (14)
- 6/23 Homer Pankey (58)
- 6/24 Randy Watts (20)
- 6/24 Walter Gilbert (54)
- 6/28 Scott Rich (51)

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## YEARS OF SERVICE

6/1	Harry Tomlinson (40)
6/1	George Stephens, Jr. (51)
6/27	Rob Milberg (19)
6/27	Bob Ackerman (7) 44 years in Rotary
6/30	Mike Bixler (7) 26 years in Rotary

## Rotary Online

<https://thomasvillerotary.org>  
<https://rotary6900.org/>  
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## LEADERSHIP

President	John Brown
President-Elect	Wayne Newsome
President Nominee	Danny Braddy
Immediate PP	Kim Walden
Treasurer	Teri White
Secretary	Angela Williamson
Foundation	Fran Milberg
Membership	Janet Liles
Public Image	Mike Bixler

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