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Food Lion donates funds to Salvation Army

Staff Writer Kevin Reid - In front of dignitaries, including U.S. Rep. Howard Coble, Thomasville Mayor Joe Bennett, Lexington Mayor Richard Thomas and Thomasville City Councilman George Burton, Gloria Reid, manager of the Food Lion supermarket on Cooksey Drive, presented a check for \$2,500 to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Davidson County. "Food Lion has basically been in the community for over 50 years," Reid said during the check presentation held Wednesday morning. "In 2001, we created our charitable foundation, which was designed to improve the quality of life in our community by supporting organizations that worked on feeding the hungry and helping with secondary and primary education." Accepting the check was Scott Bannister, executive director of the local Boys & Girls Clubs. Bannister thanked Food Lion for "impacting our mission in working with children." Coble, who represents North Carolina's Sixth District in the U.S. House of Representatives, has been spending time in the district since Congress's recent recess. "This is a very special day for Thomasville, Food Lion and the Boys & Girls Clubs in connection with the Salvation Army," Coble said. "I'm sure the Salvation Army will find a worthwhile place to expend that money and it will go to a good ... [\[Click for Full story\]](#)

INSIDE NEWS STORIES

Board approves wellness program

LEXINGTON – An incentive-based wellness program for county employees was passed 4-3 by the Davidson County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday night. The program was launched when the Davidson County Safety Committee came up with the concept at an informational meeting in early August. With the objective of providing healthier ... [\[Full story \]](#)

Local veterans share stories from WWII

Roger Veatch and Larry Walser have some interesting things in common. They both are residents at Piedmont Crossing Retirement Community. Several decades ago, long before they knew each other, they both had connections with the atomic bomb. One was a researcher and the other was a witness. Both were in ... [\[Full story \]](#)

Slaten looks to complete four years of service

Don't tell Pat Slaten he's too old to serve on the Thomasville City Council. After having half of his liver removed because of cancer nearly a year ago, the 81-year-old Thomasville City councilman's health is better than ever. Born Clyde Eugene Slaten, the Georgia native and longtime Thomasville resident is ... [\[Full story \]](#)

SPORTS PAGE

Miracle-Makers: Hi-Toms Defend Cup

FLORENCE, S.C. — The only question was whether or not the ball would stay fair. As soon as Jorge Castillo made contact with the first pitch in the bottom of ... [\[Full story \]](#)

Thomasville club leaves lasting impression on town

Jorge Castillo couldn't help but stare. The soft-spoken, power-hitting left-handed slugger from Miami stood at home plate and watched as the last home run in Thomasville's historic season sailed over ... [\[Full story \]](#)