



# The Serving Tray

Rotary Club of Kirksville -- Charter 371 -- District 6040

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**FLY THE FLAG:** Jeff asked us to submit our flag subscriptions and start selling to our neighbors. Bill Lovegreen obtained a license for us to solicit door to door. You might want to check the list of “no visit” homes just to be sure. Jeff had white flags for us to place 8-10’ from the street in front of our houses. Someone can do it for you if you prefer. Jeff needs 4-5 volunteers to assemble our first 100 flags on Saturday, March 21. If possible, the work will be done at our Kirksville Mini Storage unit. Contact Jeff <[jeff.romine@gmail.com](mailto:jeff.romine@gmail.com)> for details.

**ROTARY MINUTE:** The District Conference will be held in April at the former Tan-Tar-A Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks. The question was what is the new name of the resort. Several answered that it is Margaritaville Lake Resort.



## CITY MANAGER MARI MACOMBER

Randy Rogers (not pictured) introduced Mari Macomber, a Truman graduate who obtained a Master’s degree in Education in 1986. Mari has been a City employee for 20 years, including 17 years as city manager. She spoke about city planning and had a draft copy of “Think 2040” for us to review. The comprehensive plan was a public process with input from 40 steering committee members. At this time, various city services are being enhanced. They have hired a new recreation coordinator. They are working on receiving utility bill payments by phone and entering a new four-year contract for commercial flights. Airport improvements include a new fueling system as well as runway and terminal improvements. Other

infrastructure advances include a new one-million gallon water tower at Patryla Park. The old downtown water tower will be removed. A new concession stand is being built at North Park. Police and Fire Department improvements will be made, including the purchase of a new pumper fire truck. Planned street improvements for 2020 include sidewalk projects and repairing seven miles of city streets. Asphalt is being made in-house and concrete streets are being replaced. The City of Kirksville has partnered with various groups for the betterment of the City. She showed photos of the downtown facade project. She encouraged us to complete the 2020 Census forms which go out on April 1 since accurate data is important to local as well as other levels of government. Mari is pictured above with Past President Randy Smith who conducted the meeting today in the absence of President Debi Boughton.

**50-50 Drawing:** Ralph did not pull the ace of spades or the joker; pot now up to \$1,010.

### Guests:

- Sarah Delaware** (guest of Dana Delaware)
- Marcy Palermo** (guest of Ralph Cupelli)
- Susie Perkins** (guest of Roy Noe)
- Rick Steele** (Thousand Hills club)

**Make Up Meetings** at 1000 Hills club - NE Regional Medical Center cafe (Thursdays at 7 a.m.) or North Star club - Wooden Nickel (Tuesdays at 5:15 p.m.)

### Upcoming Programs/Events:

- Mar. 9&12:** RLI, Part II, Lee’s Summit
- Mar. 11:** Elizabeth Polowski/Rotary Literacy Project/OASIS
- Mar. 18:** Raneey Brayton/Hospital Update
- Mar. 25:** Shirley Riley, Myra Baiotto/US Cadet Nurse Corp.
- April 1:** County Commissioner Mark Shahan
- April 8:** Ray Klinginsmith Distinguished Service Award
- April 27:** RLI, Part III, Kirksville (need not be taken in order)