



# The Serving Tray

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**FLAGS:** Jeff Romine (pictured) said we have 117 flags to place for Labor Day. He said we have raised (even during the pandemic) in subscriptions and sponsorships over \$10,000 (cash or accounts receivable). If the flags last 4-5 years, we will have receipts of \$3,500-\$4,000 a year. Jeff said this has been a significant fundraiser rivaling the Chicken Q but with less manpower. Flags can be put up now and stay up until Monday, September 14 (after Patriots Day).

**MORE PROJECTS:** Randy Smith said they will be spreading topsoil on the next and possibly last **Playscape** workday 9/12 beginning at 7 am for 2-3 hours. He also said they expect to pick up **Duck Dash** adoption forms tomorrow. K-Life will begin selling at Hy Vee and Walmart on Saturday. He said the Duck Dash on 10/25 at 4 pm will be virtual with only eight people in the pool area.



**2018 WATER PROJECT IN PANAMA:** Jefferson City Rotarians Kit Freudenberg (pictured) and Nicole Slusser provided the program today (see introduction by Dale attached to cover email). On this weeklong Rotary mission to improve the health of children, funded by nine Rotary clubs in District 6080, a Rotary International grant and Panama Rotarians, They distributed Life Straws (filtration systems) to children in Darien Province of Panama, a dangerous jungle area bordered to the east by Columbia. Half of the water in Darien

Province is collected in tanks (it rains daily at 2:30 pm.) and the rest of their water comes from the river. Parasites are a big problem in this extremely poor area. Kit spoke about the schools where teachers teach for six weeks and then spend two weeks at home. (They do not live in the area.) School ends at sixth grade. The team (pictured in right photo) met many students who were all dressed in uniforms and very clean. The children have various health problems including anemia and have to be dewormed every three months! Kit showed us numerous photos on the screen. The children and adults at Darien Province appreciated having photos of themselves which they could keep. Kit said the project was a great experience that she would do again!



**50-50 Drawing:** Randy Smith did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$1,495.

**Guests:**

- Chris Tharp** (guest of club)
- Marcy Palermo** (proposed member)

**Upcoming Programs:**

- Sept. 9:** Service Recognition Program (Ralph Cupelli)
- Sept. 16:** Martin Stitzer/Sparklight
- Sept. 23:** Distinguished Service Awards Presentation
- Sept. 30:** Bill Castle/United Way Campaign