



The Serving Tray

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LITERACY UPDATE: Michelle Lawrence had paper forms today for reading via Zoom at Ray Miller Elementary and one class at Faith Lutheran. Also, the committee is working with Barbara Smith-Mandell to purchase sets of the Notable Missourian books at \$15/set, two for Ray Miller and one each for Faith Lutheran, Mary Immaculate, and a home school group.

DEADLINE FOR 2024/2025 DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS is March 1. Contact President Roy <noefarms@gmail.com> for details.



MOBERLY AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ("MACC")

Elizabeth Gregory introduced today's speaker, Dr. Jeff Lashley. He is a licensed professional counselor and a licensed marriage and family therapist, who has served as MACC's president since 2013, after an extensive career in the mental health field.

Dr. Lashley said MACC serves 16 counties and has five campuses: Moberly, Kirksville, Mexico, Hannibal and Columbia. It offers 40 areas of study with programs from four months to two years. Their Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees are designed to transfer easily to a college or university upon completion. Between 60-65% of their students are in these degree programs. In addition, however, their Associate of Applied Science and certificate programs prepare students to enter directly into the workforce after completion. Equipment for technical programs is quite expensive but the programs are supported by business and industry. They received a grant for a truck driving program which involved purchasing simulators and leasing trucks. They have a mechatronics program for advanced manufacturing. Dr. Lashley is particularly happy about the wind technology program here at the Kirksville campus, funded by a grant arranged through Carolyn Christman. MACC's nursing and health related programs are very popular and have produced many of the LPNs and RN's in our area. He spoke about concurrent enrollment agreements with various colleges, MizzouMACC, TruMACC, as well as agreements with Columbia College, Stephens College, and Central Methodist. There are also dual credit programs with 50 high schools. For more information about MACC generally, check out their website: www.macc.org.

50-50 Drawing: Michelle Lawrence did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$2,985 (7 cards left)

Guests:

Lance Ratcliff & Rachel Noe (via Zoom)
Elsie Gaber (Thousand Hills)
Tasha McKim (proposed member - see below)

PROPOSED ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERS:

MACC: T. McKim, D. Coleman, B. Weber, J. Nicole

Upcoming Programs:

Feb. 24: Shoes for Orphan Souls Committee
Mar. 3: Anthony Conn/Peace Pipe Proposal
Mar. 10: William Robb/Take Root Cafe
Mar. 17: Barbara Smith-Mandell/History of St. Patrick's Day; **Mar. 24:** TBA
Mar. 31: Mari Macomber/Update on City Projects
Apr. 7: Missouri National Guard Museum