



The Serving Tray

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Jeff Romine reported that over 300 flags have been enrolled in the Fly the Flag Program. President Marie Murphree announced that a new Fundraising Committee will be formed to develop additional fundraising projects. Marie is asking for volunteers to serve as committee members.



Angie Sullivan (left) received her new member certificate from President Marie (right). Angie was sponsored by Ron Gaber. Her classification is Juvenile Justice Administration. Angie and her family will host the club's German Rotary Youth Exchange student beginning this month.



Dan Martin has served as Director of the A.T. Still Wellness program and Thompson Campus Center since 1982. He is currently Chair of the Kirksville Planning & Zoning Commission. Dan earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Truman State University.

Program: Dan Martin, Chair of the Forest Lake Area Trail System (FLATS) Board of Directors, gave an update on trail construction. FLATS is an all-volunteer community organization that was formed in April 2009 to support the development, use, and maintenance of trails in Adair County. Its main goal is to connect the Kirksville Central Business District to the marina at Thousand Hills State Park via a 4-mile accessible hiking/biking paved trail. Phase 1, a 0.62 mile concrete path that connects Campground 2 to the marina, was completed in 2015. Phase 3.1, which extends 0.7 miles along Missouri Trail starting at the Rotary Nature Playscape on Osteopathy, was completed in 2021. Missouri State Parks is currently constructing Phase 2, a 0.79 mile path that connects Phase 1 to Campground 1.

To date, the Rotary Clubs of Kirksville have committed many hours of sweat equity and \$40,000 in funds to the Nature Playscape at the FLATS-Theta Psi Trailhead. Another \$30,000 has been provided by SB40 to develop a range of inclusive features. Future plans for the trailhead include construction of a parking lot, pavilion, restrooms, picnic tables, water fountains, solar lighting, and a bike repair station.

50-50 Drawing: Craig Shorten did not draw the Ace of Spades. The pot now stands at \$779.

Guests:

Mike Mitchell, prospective member,
first announcement

Stephanie Fore, prospective member

Upcoming Programs and Events:

Aug. 17: Dr. Craig Phelps, ATSU Update

Aug. 20: Workday at the Rotary Playscape, FLATS trailhead, 8-11 am

Aug. 24: DG Kent Shelman visit at noon; evening social and dinner at Thousand Hills Restaurant, time TBA

Aug. 31: Candice Riedel/KAA/Red Barn; mtg at Sue Ross Arts Center

Sept. 7: Classification Talks

Sept. 14: Anthony Nelson/U.S. Cellular/Internet Safety for Kids