

The Serving Tray

Rotary 4



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MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND CLUB ANNIVERSARIES read including 25 years of service by Jodie Gordon.

MASON GARBS AND JOSH FARMER ARE PROPOSED MEMBERS (second announcement).

VOLUNTEER HOURS: Secretary Mark said 87.5 hours were reported in February, bringing the total since July 1 to 1,448 hours.



PARADE FLAG BEARERS: Jeff Romine had sheets on tables for us to express our interest in parade participation this year.

MARCH FOOD DRIVE 3/15/23: The item is oatmeal in canisters (not packets).

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS! Club President Marie Murphree (center) presented Paul Harris Fellowship pins to Craig Shorten (left) and Dale Schenewerk (right). Craig is a first-time recipient and Dale, a PHF + 3.

CLASSIFICATION TALKS RAMEY WEICHELT AND ERICK HANSON

Dale Schenewerk introduced newer member Ramey Weichelt, 27, a Truman grad, manager of Thompson Campus Center at A.T. Still University for five years. She grew up on a S. Illinois farm that raised horses and crops and has had a lifelong interest in a variety of sports. In high school she was a member of a Select Volleyball team traveling the U.S. and was an All American Soccer player (goalie). She has been married for almost four years to her former Hy-Vee boss Cody Weichelt. She



likes to give back to her community. She recently served as drive chair for the Adair County United Way and is also involved with FLATS as well as being an active member of our club. Ramey later introduced Erick Hanson who has been a member longer (Continued on Page 2).

50-50 Drawing: Ron Gaber did not pull the ace of spades; pot now stands at \$43.

Guests:

Uyilawa Okhuadesey (prospective member)

Silvan Wiles (guest of Justin Wiles)

Upcoming Programs:

Mar. 8: Robert Webb/Kirksville School Update

Mar. 15: Mayor Zac Burden/Marijuana Sales Tax on April Ballot

Mar. 22: Curtain Call/Preview "The Murder Room"

ERICK HANSON has been married to Trish, a speech pathologist, for almost 29 years. She is an instructor in communication disorders at Truman and also supervises the speech and hearing clinic on campus. Their son, Tyler, age 26, is a youth minister at the LaPlata Christian Church. He is about the 5th or 6th generation of Truman (or predecessors) graduates dating back to about 1905. Erick moved to Kirksville in 1986 to attend Truman, leaving in the fall of 1988 to enter business where he managed Kelly Furniture for several years, retiring in December of 1997. He began his youth ministry career in 1999 and stayed until the economy went bad in 2008-2009. In the spring of 2010, Larry Whitney approached him about pursuing a real estate career. He became licensed in the summer of 2010 and began working with Larry in August of 2010. Erick said he became a realtor, not just a real estate agent. He serves on the board of directors of the Missouri Association of Realtors (25,358 members) as well as serving a second term as president of the local board which has 200 primary members. He provided some interesting Missouri market statistics (copy attached to cover email). Erick spoke about the future of real estate going into the Spring. He said interest rates have come down to the 6% range but said many people won't give up a 3% rate on their current home to do something new. He said inventory is a huge challenge. First time home buyers are starting to come back who were squeezed out for the last two to three years because of higher interest rates. He said there are no spec homes and only a few custom home builders. Inventory is a huge challenge. There are still a lot of cash purchasers as people have pulled out of the stock market in the past two years.

Erick Hanson and Ramey Weichelt are pictured on Page 1 with President Marie Murphree (right).