



The Serving Tray

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FLAG CREW BETWEEN THUNDERSTORMS: Seven Rotarians assembled flags on Saturday morning, May 6. Thanks, Melissa Stuart, for this photo. Pictured from left are Mason Garbs, Jeff Romine, Debi Boughton, President Marie Murphree, and Valena Fiscus. Seventy-five flags assembled, with 50-60 to go.

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS: Committee Chair Melissa Stuart said our club had 12 good applicants for scholarships this year which is unusual. For that reason, a \$250 honorable mention scholarship was awarded in addition to two \$750 scholarships. **Wesley McGinnis**, a Brashear HS senior, received one of the scholarships today. Wesley introduced his mother, Diane McGinnis (pictured), and said he plans to attend the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla to study mechanical engineering with a goal of working in the automotive industry. (Another \$750 scholarship will be awarded next week.)

Kaylee Bishop, daughter of Steve and Kelly Bishop, received the \$250 scholarship. Kaylee plans to study nursing at Missouri Area Community College, with a goal of becoming a traveling RN. She is pictured with her counselor, Kandice Robinson (left) as well as Melissa Stuart.



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50-50 Drawing: **Ralph Cupelli** did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$567.

Guests:

- Anshe Atrival** (proposed member)
- Ryan Huseman** (guest of Bill Lovegreen)
- Other scholarship guests as identified above

Upcoming Programs:

- May 17:** John Dungan/Red Cross Tornado Relief
- May 24:** KHS Valedictorian & Salutatorian
- May 31:** Randy Smith/Air Service
- June 7:** Katy Sevits/Wagmore Dog Training
- June 14:** Red, White & Blue Festival

NORTHEAST MISSOURI DRUG-FREE COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE



Dale Schenewerk introduced today’s speaker, April Dobrinske, the Drug-Free Communities program director for the Adair and Schuyler County health departments, as well as a Certified Missouri Prevention Specialist.

April oversees the programming, activities, and functions of the Northeast Missouri Drug-Free Communities task force, formerly the Adair County Opioid Coalition.

The NEMO Drug-Free Communities task force is in the first year of its five-year grant cycle and works with Adair and Schuyler county schools and communities to implement prevention programming, provide community outreach, tools for advocacy and education, and to bring a fresh perspective to the are about mental health and substance use prevention efforts with our youth.

April spoke about planned activities and provided literature on flavored and nicotine-free vapes, the truth about vaping, e-cigs and hookah pens, and safe storage of cannabis products. She spoke about alcohol usage in schools and the effect it has on young brains.

April said May 9 was National Fentanyl Awareness Day. She said fentanyl has been showing up in pills obtained on the internet.

For further information of NEMO DFC, contact her at <April,dobrinske@lpha.mo.gov>