



The Serving Tray

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VALENA FISCUS (center) AND ELIZABETH GREGORY (right) ARE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS! They are pictured with Foundation Chair Jeff Romine who presented the pins and certificates.

MEMBERSHIP: Ralph has three more in the works, to add to the three below.

MAKE-UP BOARD MEETING 6/20/24: It will be at 6:30 pm.

ROTARY YEAR 2023-2024 IN REVIEW



President Melissa Stuart had a great PowerPoint presentation loaded with photos. She said we had a net gain of 5 members (75 from 70 last year). We now have three institutional members, NRMC, Cleaver Dermatology, and Alliant Bank. She said we suffered the major loss of PRIP Ray Klinginsmith and Rotarian Dana Delaware, but some of our newer members have really stepped up. We have been active in the community - in pancake breakfasts, parades, Rotary Park projects, bell ringing for Salvation Army, and creative meeting-time service projects. She said we are generous as a club and as

individuals (see list). We received matching funds from a District 6040 grant for Rotary/FLATS Trailhead funding thanks to Randy Smith's great grant writing skills. We awarded a RKDS award to Bill Lovegreen and recognized members at another luncheon, including Larry Whitney with over 50 years service. Melissa thanked the Social Committee for the holiday party, DG Steinman social, and the annual soup social. She also thanked the program committee and Claire Lloyd for The Serving Tray. She said she had "A huge thank you for all Club Officers, Directors, Committee Chairs, Committee Members and volunteers." Melissa thanked numerous other members by name during the program including Marty for a parade vehicle and Elizabeth for the post-parade treats; Debi, Mark and Annette for youth activities; and Jeff, special thanks for the Flags Project, our biggest source of funding. The Flag Committee had a successful sponsor campaign that raised about \$6,000. Businesses and individuals provided support for the purchase of flags, poles and accessories. President Melissa read an extensive list of Rotarians who worked on this project. She thanked so many individuals by name, she asked that a pdf of names be included with the cover email. Thank you, President Melissa, for a great Rotary year!

Our Support in 2023/2024

- \$4000 TSU International Student Fund (Happy Bucks)
- \$1230 Shoes for Orphan Souls (Individuals)
- \$200 Polio Plus from Hy-Vee, plus individual donations
- \$2500 matching funds for FLATS District grant
- \$398 Dog Waste Stations
- \$1500 Ray K HS Scholarships
- \$1000 MO RYLA for Quin Dorrell and Heidi Lay for 2024 sessions
- \$1725 (\$25/club member) to Rotary Foundation
- \$1000 NEMO United Way
- \$425 Mobility Worldwide (cart)
- \$245 Mommy and Me Swing
- \$250 Kiosk in Rotary Park
- \$200 CAPNEMO clothing drive
- \$180 for homeless kits
- \$30 for nursing home Valentines bags
- \$400 for Literacy Project
- \$300 CAPNEMO First Day, Fresh Start

50-50 Drawing: "Dr. Uyi" did not pull the ace of spades or joker; pot now up to \$1,402.

Happy Bucks collected: \$41

Guests:

- Jackie Collett & Nate Fajkus** (proposed members- first announcement)
- Kevin Henderson (not present) is also a proposed member (first announcement).
- Don Bender** (prospective member)

Upcoming Programs:

- June 26:** NO NOON MEETING - EVENING INSTALLATION; 5:30 PM, Rotary Park
- July 3:** Red White and Blue Festival
- July 10:** President Ruth's Rotary Year Outlook
- July 17:** Jason Scempp/Air Evac Program
- July 24:** Brad Scott/Roy Blunt Reservoir near Milan
- July 31:** Alex VanDelft and Rich Green/Education in NE MO
- Aug. 7:** President Ruth/ Rotary International Convention in Singapore