



The Serving Tray

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LAST HOST FAMILY FOR QBIC: Annette announced that our exchange student is now with Dr. Uyi and his wife. Looking forward to hearing from Qbic at our April 9th meeting.

SHOES FOR ORPHAN SOULS: Stacie Riley reported she has two large boxes filled with shoes and socks and over \$1,000 in donations.



FOUNDATION CHAIR MARIE MURPHREE ON THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

In Jennifer Chrisman’s introduction, we learned that Marie first joined Rotary in Springfield in 1999 and our club in 2018.

Marie Murphree reported that The Rotary Foundation has a four-star rating on Charity Navigator and that 88% of funds collected are spent on program awards and operations. She showed us The Rotary Foundation’s 2023/24 Number of Global Grants by Areas of Focus: 104 for Basic Education and Literacy; 154 for Community Economic Development; 629 for Disease Prevention and

Treatment; 102 for Maternal and Child Health; 57 for Peace Building and Conflict Prevention; 191 for Water Sanitation and Hygiene; and 59 for the Environment. Marie reported on our giving in 2024/25: Three Paul Harris Fellows: Elizabeth Gregory, Marie Murphree and Melissa Stuart. Polio Plus Giving: \$3,575 as of March 25, 2025 (per Rotary website).

Our Foundation giving goal this year is \$14,000 and we are at \$9,271 as of March 25, 2025. (Our average giving per capita is \$119.60.) Giving to The Rotary Foundation is easy. Go to rotary.org for a one-time donation. Also visit myrotary.org. You can have contributions taken directly from your checking account. Marie has forms for this purpose. Remember that some of our donations come back to us after three years through grants.

Pictured above from left are President Ruth, Marie Murphree and Jennifer Chrisman.

50-50 Drawing: Larry Whitney did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$1560. Happy Bucks \$31. Shoes for Orphan Souls \$21.

Guests:

None

Upcoming Programs:

April 2: Ruth Bowers/District Conference in Kirksville

April 9: Qbic, Thai Exchange Student

April 16: Ben Martin/District Friendship Exchange

April 23: Marie Murphree/New Businesses in Kirksville

April 30: TBA; **May 7:** Jeff Romine/Club’s Flag Fundraiser

May 14: Ruby Green-Frank Baldwin Free Enterprise Award