



The Serving Tray

Rotary Club of Kirksville -- Charter 371 -- District 6040

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RUBY GREEN- FRANK BALDWIN FREE ENTERPRISE AWARD PRESENTED TO PANCAKE CITY (OWNERS: CHUCK AND CINDY LEWELLEN)



Chair Ron Gaber (left) introduced this special program. Matt Eichor (right) then spoke about former member Ruby Green, a seed company owner and one of the two namesakes of the award. Matt said, among other things, that Ruby's driving brought him closer to God! Dale Schenewerk (lower right) then spoke about Frank Baldwin, an office supply and equipment business owner who was also an active Rotarian. (Additional information about Ruby and Frank is provided attached to the cover email.)



Ron Gaber thereafter announced the recipient of this prestigious award, Pancake City, a Kirksville restaurant business operating since December of 1983, and its owners Chuck and Cindy Lewellen. (More about Pancake City is included in an attachment to cover email.) Pancake City was one of 10 nominations for this award!



Pictured from left in right photo are Ron Gaber, Chuck Lewellen, Cindy Lewellen and Club President Ruth Bowers.

Owners Chuck and Cindy Lewellen thanked us for selecting Pancake City for this award. Chuck said that most of their employees have been part of their family for many years.



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50-50 Drawing: Mike Mitchell did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$2,025.

Happy Bucks: \$121

Guests:

Elsie Gaber and **Marilyn Romine** (1000 Hills club)
Teresa Pagliai (guest of Danny Pagliai)
Rebecca Perrigo & Jeremy Crick (g/o Kevin Butner)
Marty Bachman (Kirksville Daily Express)

Upcoming Programs:

May 21: Linda Treasure/Kirksville Arts Association
May 28: **NO MEETING** Dist. Conference 5/30&31
June 4: Signe Coomes, Truman Athletic Director
June 11: Robin Harden/Parks and Recreation
June 18: President Ruth/Year in Review
June 25: Gina Fowler/Shoes from The Heart



CHECK PRESENTED: A \$375 check representing matching funds was presented to A.T. Still University's SAMOPS Club (Student Association of Military Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons) to support their efforts in raising funds for Retrieving Freedom, an organization that trains service dogs for veterans and children with special needs. These funds were part of a matching gift for SAMOPS K9 1K fun walk held on May 3rd on the ATSU campus. SAMOPS member Megan Woods (left) is pictured with Rotarian Ramey Weichelt.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED: Rotarian Chair Melissa Stuart presented a \$1,000 Ray Klinginsmith Graduating High School Student Scholarship to Kirksville High School student Cruz Mendez. Cruz, who wants to become a paleontologist, will be attending the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, majoring in Earth Sciences. Pictured from left are his mother, Katie Mendez, Melissa, Cruz Mendez and Club President Ruth Bowers.



NEW MEMBER WELCOMED! Susan Knox (center), library director with Adair County Public Library, was inducted by President Ruth today. She is pictured with her sponsor, Debi Boughton (left) and President Ruth (right).

FAREWELL PARTY FOR QBIC, MAY 21, 6 PM: It will be held at Marty Jayne's home. Directions are included in an email sent by Annette Sweet. If you didn't receive, let me know. All are welcome. Bring a side dish, dessert, chips, etc. Marty said he has plenty of chairs.

TREE PLANTING, MAY 14, 5:30 PM, Rotary Park. Some of the markers will also be placed.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING - following today's meeting.

JEFF NEED HELP! He needs someone to substitute for two members of the flag team. Contact him if you can help [<jeff.romine@gmail.com>](mailto:jeff.romine@gmail.com)