



The Serving Tray

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POLIO: Debi said we will have a program for World Polio Day 10/24/25 on October 29. She will be sharing polio facts each week this month. First, globally as of August 21, there were 13 cases of wild polio in Afghanistan and Pakistan in 2025. Wild polio has been eradicated in 99% of the world.

NEW PROPOSED ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBER: HANNIBAL REGIONAL Ron Gaber is their sponsor.



JEFF LA FOUNTAIN, AIRPORT DIRECTOR: In Matt Eichor's introduction, we learned that Jeff moved to Kirksville from South Hadley, Massachusetts in 2014. He started work as an airport operator in 2015 and became the airport director in 2023. Jeff spoke about the exciting improvement to the airport, a new airport terminal! He said ground breaking began in April and he expects the facility, which is 100% funded, to be completed by the end of May, 2026. He said Contour Air Lines, which provides service to Chicago from Kirksville, has had only two cancelled flights/month, compared to Cape Air's 25/month. On July 1, Burlington IA is now serviced by Contour and, as of November 1, Quincy IL is also getting Contour. Based on seat availability, they can pick up Kirksville people and vice versa when flights are cancelled. He said many of our Kirksville

business leaders regularly use Contour. A.T. Still University and Truman State University fly Contour Airlines, particularly by international students. There was an Honor Flight this year and another is scheduled for March 18, 2026, transporting 60 veteran to Washington D.C. The new terminal holds 60 people, twice the size of the older terminal.



50-50 Drawing: Annette Sweet did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$170. Happy Bucks \$31.

Guests:

None

Announcement: Entry to Ruth's upcoming retirement party will be one pair of children's shoes. Date to follow.

Upcoming Programs:

Oct. 8 - Nathaniel Holte, DPM: Podiatry
Oct. 15/22: TBA; Oct. 29: Polio
Nov. 5: Jim Rowland: World Cup Preview
Nov. 12: Amanda Brand & Jeff Romine: Charitable Fund
Nov. 19: Melissa Stuart & Jeff Romine: RI Foundation
Nov. 25: Joint Service Club Thanksgiving Luncheon
Nov. 26: NO MEETING