



# The Serving Tray

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

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**PRESIDENT ELIZABETH AND MATT EICHOR ARE PHF+3!**  
Former Foundation Chair Jeff Romine (left) presented their pins today.

**NEW CLUB MEMBERS PROPOSED:** Jay Bulen (second announcement) and Kim McClanahan (first announcement).

**CORRECTION:** 45 cans of soup donated last week, not 32 cans.

## TRICIA REGER, KIRKSVILLE R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Tricia Reger officially became superintendent on July 1, 2025, after 26 years in education. She said there are 2500 students in Kirksville R-III school district and, with 450 employees, it is the fourth largest employer in Kirksville.

Ms. Reger spoke about the improvements begun since the bond issue passed in Spring 2024. (They have \$37M to spend):



A new parking lot will be completed this summer.

An 18-month \$21M project for a Performing Arts Center is projected to be completed by Christmas 2026. There will be an orchestra pit in the 740-seat auditorium, new band and choir practice rooms, and dressing and props rooms.

A secure vestibule will be constructed at Ray Miller Elementary. Security is being enhanced at the high school as well. A safe connector will be created between the Kirksville Area Technical Center and Kirksville High School. Another parking lot is also planned. Additional improvements will be undertaken during Phase 2.

Academically, the goal is to raise our 2026 math and reading scores 5% above the state average. Another goal is to increase attendance this year.

**50-50 Drawing:** Ron Gaber did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$742.  
Happy Bucks \$30

### Guests:

- Crystal Morris** (guest of Marie Murphree)
- Theresa Pagliai** (guest of Danny Pagliai)
- Elsie Gaber** (Thousand Hills club)
- Kim McClanahan** (proposed member)

### Upcoming Programs:

- Jan. 28:** Gracey Gordon/NEMR/Sapam Class
- Feb. 4:** Chris Bailey/The House of Hope
- Feb. 11:** ATSU MO Campus President Gayla Sublette/ATSU Medical and Dental Schools
- Feb. 18:** Theresa & Trevor Malone/Global Transmissions
- Feb. 25:** Rotary's 121st Birthday Celebration
- March 4:** Classification Talks
- March 11:** DG Jodi Sundaram Official Visit