



The Serving Tray

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

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NEW MEMBER: President Elizabeth inducted Jaqlyne “Jackie” Jackson today. Jackie, TSU Vice President of Advancement, is pictured on the right with her Rotary sponsor, Marie Murphree.

GRADE SCHOOL READINGS: Mike Mitchell said the March readings have been postponed until the second week of May. He did not have the volunteers needed to proceed with the March readings.

THANKS, MA BANK, for pledging \$250 for Shoes for Orphan Souls!

ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE ZAMBIA AND ZIMBABWE - July 9-22, 2025



Ruth Bowers introduced Schuyler County Rotarian Linda Blessing, a team member on this friendship exchange. Linda has been a Rotarian for 20 years, was club president, and for 9-10 years has served as club secretary. She was a member of a missionary team to El Salvador. Along with two fellow Rotarians, Linda obtained a Rotary Global Grant. Ten Rotary clubs teamed up to raise over \$69,000 for an active clean water well for the community of El Tanque, El Salvador. She retired after a 28-year career at the Schuyler County Court House and

is now a substitute teacher at Schuyler R-1 and Head Start. She and her husband, Steve, have three grown children as well as several grandchildren.

Linda Blessing, along with Team Leader Ben Martin, both pictured above with President Elizabeth (left), spoke about their wonderful experiences at their Friendship Exchange in Zambia and Zimbabwe last summer.

Linda brought home many interesting African items, some as shown in right photo.



50-50 Drawing: Matt Eichor did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to \$1,173.

Guest:


Theresa Pagliai (guest of Danny Pagliai)

Announcements: See Page 2

Upcoming Programs:

March 25: Austin Miller/April Ballot: Tax Proposal
April 1: Dr. Stephen Lyons/About Colon Cancer

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Dates to Remember!

Announcements

- Rotary Zone 30/31 Membership "8-in-8" Challenge starts March 1st!
 - Try to get 8 new members in 8 weeks!
- Program committee meeting - immediately following today's program
- Flag Updates - Jeff

Events!

- Grade School Reading **March 19**
- **United Way Trivia** - Elizabeth will sponsor a Rotary Table, **March 28th, 7-10PM @ The Moose Lodge.**
- Shoes Caravan in Kirksville - **April 20th, 4:30 - 6:30 PM, @ MA Bank**
- Earth Day cleanup on **April 25th**
- District Conference ! **April 24-25th** at Rotary Youth Camp in Lee's Summit.
 - 25th Anniversary of the Shoe Roll Call
- Easter Prayer Breakfasts, Rotary hosts on **March 30 (See Flyer On Next Page)**

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