



# The Serving Tray

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

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**FLAGS!** Jeff Romine thanked the six Rotarians who helped him replace worn flags on June 22. They accomplished the job in little over an hour! Pictured from left are Uyilawa “Uyi” Okhuaihesuyi, Valena Fiscus, Mike Mitchell, Osariemen Okhuaihesuyi, Tom Stinson and Taylor Mullinix. Jeff said we have 488 flags up for July 4. He said additional tattered flags need to be brought in for replacement.



**MATT EICHOR WINS 50-50 RAFFLE!** He will share the \$1,440 pot. Congratulations, Matt! He is pictured with President Ruth Bowers.

**JULY BIRTHDAYS OF MEMBERS AND MEMBER SPOUSES AND CLUB ANNIVERSARIES ANNOUNCED**, including 38 years of service by Ron Brand.

**PARADE FLAG BEARERS AND RIDERS:** Jeff announced our meeting site is E. Buchanan between Marion and Franklin for the parade which starts at 10 am.

**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR SECOND AND THIRD QUARTERS:** He is a boy from Thailand interested in soccer. Emergency backup families are also needed, per John Dungan.

**BOARD APPROVED RANDY SMITH’S REQUEST** for up to \$2,500 matching FLATS funds for creek gravel, sign installation and landscaping, other purposes. The board will decide whether to include a \$1,000 bronze Rotary wheel for the sign which Randy thinks might be subjected to vandalism. He will submit the grant request to District 6040 by July 15. (See another board approval in cover email.)



## RED, WHITE AND BLUE FESTIVAL - JULY 5-6, 2024

Tourism Director Sharon Swehla (pictured) has been in her position a little over two years, replacing Debi Boughton. She holds a degree in Marketing and Management from Upper Iowa University and has over 20 years experience in event planning and conference and meeting management. She went through the festival schedule which can be viewed: <https://www.visitkirksville.com/t/all-american-red-white-and-blue-festival>. Attached to the cover email is information on other upcoming event. Sheila said Kirksville is being considered next week for a three-year contract for Special Olympics coming here in 2025/2026/2027.

### Guests:

**Sharon Swehla** (speaker)

**Jackie Collett & Nate Fajkus** (proposed members - **second announcement** with Kevin Henderson - not present) **First announcement:** Cindy Waller

**Denver Weichelt** (guest of Ramey Weichelt)

### Upcoming Programs:

**July 10:** President Ruth’s Rotary Year Outlook

**July 17:** Jason Scempp/Air Evac Program

**July 24:** Brad Scott/Roy Blunt Reservoir near Milan

**July 31:** Alex VanDelft and Rich Green/Education in NE MO

**Aug. 7:** President Ruth/Rotary International Convention in Singapore