DUCK DASH: Committee Chair Sam McClure announced that “Food for Kids” has been chosen as the recipient of our share of the proceeds. Duck adoptions will begin next week. Dave Erwin still has three slots to fill and he was also seeking people to pick up tables and deliver money at the end of each day.

IT’S OFFICIAL - JEFF ROMINE was inducted as District Governor Elect at a recent ceremony.

CLASSIFICATION TALKS ANNETTE SWEET AND MARK HAGER

Annette Sweet grew up in Abilene, KS but spent her last two years of HS in Jefferson City, MO. After attending college at Southwest Missouri State University, she started working for Missouri Power and Light, which was taken over by Union Electric and is now AmerenUE. She was originally hired to do safety programs, energy audits, and size electric heat and cooling for customers. The job has changed over the years and she now works in community relations, economic development, and with larger customers on their systems over Northeast Missouri. She married Raymond Sweet and they had two daughters, Samantha and Mariel, both now college students at Truman. Besides raising her girls, her interests included books, playing piano and dance. She learned about Rotary when Don Poe recruited them to host an exchange student in 2005 and they were invited later that year to the top 10% student banquet. The Rotary banquet was the first time she heard any organization say “Good Job, Parents” as well as “Good Job, Students” and it meant a lot to her - so when Gary Lloyd asked if she was interested in becoming a Rotarian, she already knew it was a great organization!

Mark Hager was born in St. Louis and raised in Lincoln Co., MO, one of seven children in a military family. His father was a short stop for the “St. Louis Browns” for a time and also played bass on the Gaslight Square! After serving in the Air Force and attending St. Louis Community College, he became a police officer in 1980 and was later assigned to the St. Louis Major Case Squad for a few years. Mark’s first marriage produced three sons but ended in divorce; Mark and his second wife of 24 years, now a counselor at Preferred Family, had three more sons. He is a grandfather to 13! In 1993 Mark changed careers. He earned a B.A., M.Div. and Doctorate of Practical Theology at Master’s and is currently in the PhD program with Trinity Theological Seminary. He has provided professional type biblical counseling to people in Miami, Arizona, Seattle, St. Louis and now here, where he is pastor and counselor of Kirkville’s Church of the Nazarene. The Church of the Nazarene was formed in 1901, breaking away from the Methodist Church. It targets people in need with programs such as Love, Inc., a food pantry, which feeds 400-600 families monthly with over 24,000 lbs. of food each month. Mark’s life was transformed when his second marriage was failing and he sought counseling which changed his life and saved his marriage. He and his wife have been providing counseling ever since and he believes they have helped over a thousand people! They were both impressed by how welcoming everyone has been in our community and Mark is happy our club has chosen to hold its meetings at his church.

Guest:
Zachary Kern (guest of Blaine Kern)

Announcements:
Charitable Fund Comm. Mtg. August 5, 1:00 p.m.

Announcements (cont’d):
Air Festival is now at $23,275 and they may now have a title sponsor bringing more funds!

Upcoming Programs:
JULY 29: Dr. Elizabeth Horton/Dementia
AUG. 5: TBA (DG John Gill visit delayed until Sept. 2)