FAREWELL MURILYN: Murilyn Koutstaal has resigned from our club to take advantage of a wonderful educational travel program. She will take three courses offered by the University of Virginia as part of a Road Scholar “Semester at Sea” program on board the MV Explorer. It will involve hands-on projects on the Amazon River and also in Ghana and India. We wish you a great adventure, Murilyn, but we will miss you!

GSE TEAM MEMBER REPLACEMENT: Carolyn Chrisman is unable to participate in this program. If you know someone who might be interested in replacing her, see details in the cover email.

JOHN GARDNER proposed for membership (second announcement).

OUR CONDOLENCES TO SANDRA WILLIAMS on the loss of her mother (a card was circulated today).

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT EVENT, FEBRUARY 23, 5:15 or 5:30 to 7 p.m.: Membership Chair Dale Schenewerk announced this event to be held jointly with the 1000 Hills club upstairs at the Dukum Inn.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: RYLA and Scholarship committees met after today’s regular meeting, and Shoes for Orphan Souls committee will meet next week (David Nichols will provide details.)

CITY MANAGER MARI MACOMBER - KIRKSVILLE ADAIR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2012 UPDATE. The Governmental Affairs group formed the first strategic plan in 1993 and completed its goals in 1994. The strategic plan was subsequently updated in 1998, 2001 and 2002. The plan was updated through various processes (community wide meetings, committees appointed, and individual evaluations and input). Plans have focused on the following (alphabetically): Central Business District, Community Betterment, Economic Development, Health & Human Services, Housing, Recreation & Leisure Services, Schools and Education, Telecommunications, Tourism, and Transportation, Utilities & Infrastructure. Accomplishments include housing for seniors, transportation improvements (Hwy. 63 projects), public transportation services (Cape Air and Kirk-Tran Bus), downtown improvements and beautification (facades, theater parking lot, sidewalks). For a 2012 update, committee chairs were selected in Feb-March 2011 and a 38-page plan has been developed. It is available for review at www.kirksvillecity.com. A public event is scheduled for January 31 from 7-8 p.m. at the Kirksville Middle School to address any comments or concerns you have. If you are unable to attend, you are welcome to share written comments with Mari Macomber@mcomber.com. [Mari is pictured with Nate Walker who introduced her.]

50-50 DRAWING: Tim Tucker did not pick the Ace of Spades (or the joker worth $200). The pot increased by $229 today (highest to date) and is now at $2,643!!

**Upcoming Programs:**

January 25: TSU Strategic Plan (Troy Paino)
February 1: Classification Talks?
February 8: Polio Plus (Tim Tucker)
February 15: TSU Statistical Consulting Program

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**Guests**

Courtney Bonnell (guest of Jill Williams)
Carol Kellum (1000 Hills club)
Douglas Wood & David Wayne (guests of Matt Heeren)