



ROTARY EXPRESS

Rotary Club of Harrisonville, Missouri | March 4, 2020 | Service above self. One profits most who serves best.

Today's program



Karen Allen, Harrisonville branch manager for the Cass County Public Library, will speak about the proposed tax levy increase on the April ballot.

Future programs

March 11 - Chuck Weedman's guest will be **Supt. Paul Menching** speaking about the two school propositions on the April ballot.

March 18 - Sam Styron

March 25 - John Coffey

April 1 - Mark Wiegers

April 8 - Keith Mills classification talk

April 15 - Jeanette Flanner

April 22 - Laurence Smith

Birthdays

March 11Brittney Sexton

March 12Kevin Shelton

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Last week's meeting

Homeland Security chemical inspector guards against threats

One of the many roles played by the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency is working with high-risk chemical facilities to ensure they have appropriate security measure in place. In so doing, the agency helps reduce the risk of chemicals falling in to the hands of terrorists.

How the agency goes about its work was the subject of Dahlia Lewis's talk last week. She is a chemical security inspector charged with monitoring facilities that store,



manufacture or distribute high-risk chemicals. Each facility must have a security plan in place. While most farms are exempt, the oversight does include a wide array of industries including mining, paints and coatings, food processors, farm co-ops, laboratories, and even water parks, race tracks and aerial sprayers.

Dahlia said her agency works closely with first responders and state

emergency planning agencies to identify facilities that fall under the agency's guidelines. There are 202 regulated facilities currently in the four-state region that includes Missouri and some 3,300 facilities nationwide. Dahlia distributed several brochures that further explain the agency's work and responsibilities.

In announcements before the program:

- Making their third visit from Hope Haven, a prospective corporate member, were Jenna Neumann and Dessie Long. Jenna also won the Secret Greeter dollar coin.
- Sam Styron contributed to the Happy emoji benefiting Polio Plus, announcing that his won had been contacted for a tryout with the Canadian football League.
- John Foster's guest was Kerry Warman, who recently joined the staff of the South Cass Tribune. He previously worked for the Pleasant Hill Times.
- Glenn Aversman distributed sign-up sheets for the 2020 flag program. Registration is also available on Sign Up Genius.
- Lynn Laffoon distributed sign-up sheets for new Rotary polo shirts, The club is covering half of the cost for anyone who orders a shirt.
- President Nancy distributed ballots for officers and directors for 2020-21, who were elected by acclamation. See slate on back page.

