



# The Northside Record

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THE EXCHANGE CLUB OF NORTH JACKSON, MISS. Chartered March 21, 1958

Meetings on 1st & 3rd Monday

6:30 p.m. Western Sizzlin (1011 Lake Harbor)



### Club Officers:

Diane Sullivan President	Maxine Sullivan Secretary
Al Dickens President-Elect	George Bragg Treasurer

Brenda Cox  
Immediate Past-President

### Directors:

Ken Sullivan	Lyn McCool
Martin Bragg	Susan Rentschler
Martin Butler	Betsy Semko

**BULLETIN EDITOR: Ken Sullivan**



## April 14, 2005

### April 18, 2005

#### NEXT MEETING:

**WHEN:** Monday, April 18, 2005, 6:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Western Sizzlin Restaurant, Lake Harbor Dr.,  
 Ridgeland, MS 39157  
**MENU:** Regular Buffet serving

James Gould, Chairman for Trooper of the Year, will be recognizing the Outstanding Trooper from Troop C. Ruben Rodriguez, President of the Downtown Exchange Club will be sharing information about the Exchange Golf Tournament to be held on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at Lake Caroline. The proceeds will be benefiting the Family Support Center. We look forward to seeing everyone Monday evening.

#### LAST MEETING:

On Monday, April 4, 2005, we held our first regular meeting of the month of April, **Child Abuse Prevention Month**, at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant on Lake Harbor Drive in a joint meeting with the Exchange Club of Northwoods. President Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with Troy Nickelson giving our invocation and Al Dickens leading us in our Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. President Sullivan recognized our guests Dr. Brenda Scafidi, Rebecca Middleton (Division Director), and Glenn Ward (guest and potential new member invited by Ken Sullivan). A fine buffet was enjoyed by all.

President Sullivan introduced our guest speaker Brenda Scafidi, Ed.D., Director of Children and Youth Services at the Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH). Dr. Scafidi has worked for more than 20 years in the education and mental health field specializing in children with SED (Serious Emotional Disorders). These children demonstrate serious behavioral and family difficulties. Dr. Scafidi is a published and recognized expert in the field.

She shared with our clubs the efforts of DMH to provide services to families and children. She commented on the collaborative projects of the Family Support Center (Exchange Club Parent Child Center) and DMH. She spoke highly of the programs, staff and Exchange Club support in the prevention of child abuse. Dr. Scafidi presented copies of the 2004 edition of the Children and Youth Services Directory for our membership to take home and become more informed about the resources available to families in the mist of dealing with SED in children.

Dr. Scafidi discussed the ideal model for mental health services for children and youth. The model is child centered and community based with advocacy and support networks impacting the design and operation of the system from identification, prevention, treatment, advocacy and protection. The Exchange Club effort in child abuse prevention fits well in this model in the areas of providing support services such as supervised visitation and prevention through education of parents. Several interesting questions were asked and answered. President Sullivan thanked Dr. Scafidi for her presentation and presented her a Certificate of Appreciation from the Exchange Club of North Jackson.

President Sullivan then recognized Division Director Rebecca Middleton to give us a report of District activities. Rebecca spoke well of the accomplishments of our club this year and encouraged us to participate in the District Award competition. She reminded us of the District Convention in June 2005 in Grenada and asked everyone to attend.

Regional Vice President Ken Sullivan, Nominations Committee Chair, was recognized by President Sullivan to submit names into nomination for election of our executive offices and directors for the 2005-2006 club year. The slate of officers were elected unanimously and are as follows:

**Immediate Past President-Diane Sullivan;**  
**President-Kathy Jones; President-elect-Al Dickens;**  
**Secretary-Susan Rentschler; Treasurer-George Bragg;**  
**One year Board Members: Ken Sullivan, Martin Butler,**  
**Maxine Sullivan; Two year Board Members: L W Jones,**  
**James Gould, Katherine Gould.**

## **“Build Exchange”**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Youth:** Ken Sullivan and the committee of judges from New Summit School are selecting our ACE Award winner.

**District Trooper of the Year:** Be sure to mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 17th at noon. Chair James Gould is doing a fantastic job with the Troopers Association, other Exchange Clubs and the Commissioner of Public Safety to assure that this project is a great success.

#### **Nominations Committee:**

Regional Vice President Ken Sullivan, Nominations Committee Chair, informed our newly elected executive officers and board members that training will be available at the National Convention in Salt Lake City and the District Convention in Grenada. If you want to attend as a delegate to either or both of these conventions, let your President know so that budget arrangements may be completed early to get the best package pricing.

**Anniversaries:** April 25<sup>th</sup>, Martin and Annette Butler

#### **Get Well Wishes:**

Remember our members Teresa Kemp who had to be re-admitted to Baptist Hospital for surgery on April 10, 2005 and is recovering in her hometown of Louisville and Betsy Semko who is home resting.

#### **COLISEUM PARKING:**

Upcoming events: Friday, May 13 (Bill Gaither Concert) Be ready to volunteer your time when called.

#### **THANKS FOR PARKING:**

##### **Saturday, April 9, 2005**

Michael W. Smith – Susan Rentschler, George Bragg, Nathan Whitehead, Diane Sullivan, and from Northwoods Stan Martin and Gary Fox (Stan’s son-in-law).

#### **PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:**

April is Blue Ribbon Month so wear your Blue Ribbons and support our Center. I wish to thank Teresa Kemp in helping us tie 28 large Blue Ribbon Bows for the Family Support Center to be placed on the doors of the “Y” Child Care Centers and other businesses. If anyone would like to serve on the Board for the Family Support Center, please let Ken Sullivan know so your name can be submitted.

*We can.. We will.. We must.. We BELIEVE!!*

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### **CONVENTION DATES:**

#### **MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT EXCHANGE CONVENTION**

June 2-5, 2005, Days Inns, 1796 Sunset Drive, Grenada  
662-226-2851  
Room rates start at \$60.00 for a double room.

#### **NATIONAL EXCHANGE CONVENTION**

July 13-16, 2005, Salt Lake City, Utah  
Little America Hotel 1-800-453-9450

Room rates are \$119.00 for a single or double.  
Reservations must be received by June 3, 2005.

Make your plans now to attend both of these great conventions!

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!**

## ***Child Abuse Prevention Month***

**What is child abuse?** Child abuse is any mistreatment or neglect of a child that results in non-accidental harm or injury and which cannot be reasonably explained. Child abuse can include: physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse and neglect.



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