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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)

EXCHANGE USA



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UNITY FOR SERVICE TO ACHIEVE

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February 17, 2005

February 21, 2005

NEXT MEETING:

WHEN: Monday, February 21, 2005, 6:30p.m.
 WHERE: Western Sizzlin
 MENU: Buffet, salad selection, tea, coffee, dessert

This meeting will be a business meeting with the presentation of the "Proudly We Hail" plaque to Gateway Tire for flying our American flag with honor, installation of Tim Sullivan, as our newest member, pinning Brenda Cox with the Past President's pin, and presentation of the "Exchangite of the Year 2003" plaque to Bill Hardy.

LAST MEETING:

Mr. Gilbert Metz gave an interesting account of his experience as a Holocaust survivor. Mr. Metz was born on January 29, 1929 in Alsace, France. He will be celebrating fifty years of marriage in November to his lovely bride Louise. He and Louise have three children and five grandchildren. His son Lawson and son-in-law Mark Johnson were able to join us as our guests also. He came to this country in 1946 at the age of seventeen to live with his Aunt in Natchez, MS. He went to Tulane University in New Orleans and received a degree in Business. He is a retired Manufacture Representative. He has been living in Jackson since the Spring of 1958.

Alsace, France was held by Nazi Germany from 1940 to 1945. Over six million Jews were killed by the Nazis. Over one million two hundred thousand Jews were killed in French concentration camps. The Jews were killed by a slow process of gas inhalation through pipes. The Alsace Concentration Camp was considered to be a five star camp for death and was started in 1941. The Germans would put seventy to eighty people in cattle cars and move them by rail to the Concentration Camps with no water to drink. When they arrived at the camp, the Germans would separate them into groups children under 15, women, men, young and old.

The Kapols ran the camps for the Germans. They were Polish or German criminals who did the dirty work or gassing the people and then cremating them. The Germans asked the teenager boys how old they were and if they were sixteen or older they would stay with the men and work in the gold mines, lay the tracks for the railway system, dig ditches, or do any other work that was ordered for them to do. Gilbert told the German soldier that he was sixteen and he was able to stay with his Father. His Mom and Sister were separated from he and his Dad and killed.

The gas chambers were run at night. The men that were in charge of the camp and the camp doctor would select the men to be killed. They would line the men up and examine their bodies if they looked to thin or weak they would order the men to go to the left and the stronger looking men would go to the right. The men that were selected to go to the left would be killed that night or in the very near future. Gilbert's father died after being in the camp for a year and a half.

Gilbert was tattooed with an identification number on his left forearm. He worked in the cold with no socks or coat. He spent two years in the camp in Alsace. He lost his Mother, Father, and Sister. His only surviving relative is a male cousin in Paris. He thanked us for allowing him to share with us some of his experiences. He normally is asked to speak to students in high school or college.

"Build Exchange" reaching higher growth in the Mississippi District through expanding our horizons by building new clubs. The Exchange Club of Booneville will be celebrating Saturday, February 19th with its Charter Banquet. Congratulations Booneville!!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Youth: Betsy Semko is working with University Christian School with the selection of our six "Youth of the Month" and "Youth of the Year" winners. She will be making presentations of award plaques starting on Monday, February 28th. If any members would like to help with the presentation of the plaques, please let Betsy know.

“Youth of the Year” award submission is due in by April 1st to Ms. Vicki Fioranelli, 603 Holman, Cleveland, MS 38732.

Book of Golden Deeds:

The committee is hard at work with the selection process. Be sure to mark your calendars for this special meeting to be held on Friday, March 18th.

Local Trooper of the Year:

Be sure to mark your calendars for Monday, April 18th.

Nominations Committee:

The President is asking for those members who would like to serve in a leadership role to please let her know so she can submit your names to the nominations committee.

Birthdays:

George Bragg, Feb.26th, Pam Whitley, Feb.27th, & George McCully, Feb. 28th

Anniversaries:

Emily & Al Dickens, Feb. 16th

Get Well Wishes:

Troy Nickelson is in Baptist Hospital. He is in room 5081. This is the first time that he has not been able to help with a parking event due to illness. Give him a call at 968-5081.

COLISEUM PARKING:

February 28th through March 12th High School Basketball Championship. There will be parking everyday twice a day and on March 1st there will be parking three times. Be ready to volunteer your time when called.

THANKS FOR PARKING:

Dixie National Rodeo

Thursday, February 10, 2005: L. W. Jones, Ken and Diane Sullivan, Maggie Babin, Adam Boutot; Clay Gould, Stan Martin, Rob Turner of Northwoods

Friday, February 11, 2005: L.W. Jones, James and Katherine Gould, Diane Sullivan, Adam Boutot; Clay Gould, Rob Turner, and Scott Booth of Northwoods

Saturday, February 12, 2005: Martin Butler, Diane and Ken Sullivan, Malaina Martello, Adam Boutot; Scott Booth, Dick and Michael Robertson of Northwoods

Monday, February 14, 2005: Kathy Jones, David Whitley, Diane Sullivan, Malania Martello, Stan Martin, Rob Turner, and Gary Fox of Northwoods

Tuesday, February 15, 2005: Martin Butler, James and Katherine Gould, Teresa Kemp, Diane and Ken Sullivan; Stan Martin, Rob Turner, and Gary Fox of Northwoods

Wednesday, February 16, 2005: Kathy Jones, Katherine Gould, Teresa Kemp, Diane and Ken Sullivan; Scott Booth, Rob Turner, and Gary Fox of Northwoods

We were able to hire some very fine people to help with the parking events every night. Thank you again !!

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:

We are on the backside of this leadership year. Thank you all for your help when you have been asked. We are working on many projects at this time. I wish to thank James Gould and his son for working on the “Freedom Shrine” at Parham Bridges Park so that we can rededicate it in May. With everyone’s help, we are growing Exchange.

***We can..We will..We must.. We BELIEVE!!
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February 21st: President’s Day Observed

Presidents' Day is an annual holiday observed in the United States to honor the nation's presidents, especially George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. It is celebrated on the third Monday in February. The birthdays of Washington and Lincoln fall near or on the holiday. Washington, the nation's first president, was born on Feb. 22, 1732, according to the calendar we now use. Lincoln, who served as president during the American Civil War (1861-1865), was born on Feb. 12, 1809.

A federal holiday called Washington's Birthday also occurs on the third Monday in February. It became a legal public holiday in 1971. Later, many states adopted Presidents' Day instead, to honor not only Washington, but other presidents as well, especially Lincoln. Presidents' Day is sometimes called Washington-Lincoln Day.