



# The Northside Record

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THE EXCHANGE CLUB OF NORTH JACKSON, MS -- Organized March 21, 1958  
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Meetings on 1st & 3rd Monday 6:30 p.m. Western Sizzlin (1011 Lake Harbor)

### Club Officers:

Kathy Jones President	Susan Rentschler Secretary	
Al Dickens President-Elect	George Bragg Treasurer	Diane Sullivan Immediate Past-President

### Directors:

James Gould	Ken Sullivan
Katherine Gould	Maxine Sullivan
L. W. Jones	Martin Butler

BULLETIN EDITOR: Ken Sullivan

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## July 27, 2005

### August 1, 2005

**NEXT MEETING:** Speaker: **Joe Bennett, Jr., Executive Director, Family Support Center**

WHEN: **Monday, August 1, 2005, 6:30 p.m.**  
 WHERE: Western Sizzlin Restaurant, Lake Harbor Dr., Ridgeland, MS 39157  
 MENU: Buffet service

Please be present as we hear from Joe Bennett, Jr., Executive Director, Family Support Center, on the Open House and Dedication of the Dr. Hugh G. Ward Memorial Building, update on the "Birdies for Charities" event and drawn down plans.  
**Board Members** please plan to stay afterwards for a meeting.

### LAST MEETING:

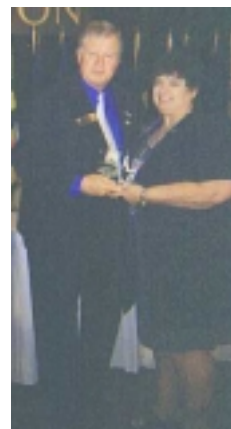
### *87<sup>th</sup> National Exchange Club Convention Salt Lake City, Utah Attendees Reports*

The meeting was called to order by Immediate Past President Diane Sullivan with the Invocation being given by Ken Sullivan and the Pledge to the American flag by L. W. Jones.

Immediate Past President Sullivan recognized birthdays for July: L. W. Jones (7<sup>th</sup>) and Tammy Bragg (27<sup>th</sup>). Jeff Conly and Valera would have celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

Immediate Past President Sullivan called on James Gould and Ken Sullivan to give a report on the National Convention recently held in Salt Lake City. James talked about his experiences at the convention including the Opening Entertainment, Rich Little, and the educational nature of the Convention Sessions. James, Katherine and their grand daughter had a wonderful time and enjoyed the festivities while learning a lot of new things that can make our club more successful.

RVP6 Ken Sullivan then shared about the Convention elections and spoke briefly about the nominees and the election process that yielded our leadership team for the next administrative year. The Executive Officers will be President Steve Douglas from Boothwyn, Pennsylvania; President Elect Kim Hodges from Provo, Utah; Immediate Past President Jerry DeFeo from Garland, Texas; and Treasurer Claude Carmack from Mechanicsville, Virginia. Region Vice Presidents will be 1-Ron Lashmett (Orange County, CA), 2-Chuck Abernathy (Tacoma, WA), 3- Lou Molitor (Kenosha, WI), 4-Rob Davidson (Tucson, AZ), 5-Doyle Blasingame (Bossier City, LA), 6-Ken Sullivan (North Jackson, MS), 7-Greg Harrant (Midland, MI), 8-Barb Harmony (Mansfield, OH), 9-John Schoen (Irondale, AL), 10-Margie Miller (Charleston, SC), 11-Bob Sharp (Millville, NJ), 12-Ron Basile (Glastonbury, CT). Ken also spoke of President Steve's theme of "Building Exchange for a Stronger America. We can do it. You can help."



*President Diane Sullivan with National President Jerry DeFeo receiving the "All American Achievement Award"*



*Ken Sullivan, Regional Vice President, VI, receiving the "All American Distinguished Achievement Award"*

Steve described the tools of builders and how we can use them in Exchange – screwdriver to tighten and connect things, hammer to focus our energy, wrench that’s adjustable and flexible to fit many situations, tape measure to know that we’re staying on plan and meeting expectations, and cell phone for communications. Ken spoke of Steve’s plans and goals including a bi-monthly DVD for educational purposes, new member orientation booklet, special membership recruitment pins. Steve’s goals include Leadership Development, Growth (60 new clubs, 5% growth in membership and increase retention percentage) and Communication (upgrade web site, develop a “WE CAN” attitude. Ken expressed his thanks for the club’s support over the years and a look forward to exciting times and a great future for us all in Exchange.

Diane then reminded everyone about the Open House and Dedication of the Family Support Center between 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2005 at 826 North Street. Everyone is invited and should attend, as we will be providing the invitations, hors d’oeuvres and other catering. We donated the funds for the signage and lighting and we need a good representation at the Center.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**New Club Building:** Diane Sullivan went to Louisville on Tuesday, July 5, 2005 and began our new club building project by signing up three new members. This project will continue with the assistance of Franklin Williams and Harry Robinson.

#### **Convention Attendees:**

The Exchange Club of North Jackson was well represented in Salt Lake City including Regional Vice President Ken Sullivan, Past President Diane Sullivan, President Kathy Jones, Treasurer George Bragg, Secretary Susan Rentschler, Delegates James and Katherine Gould and their grand daughter, Allison Cook.

**Birthdays:** August 3<sup>rd</sup> Betty Butler, August 21<sup>st</sup> Martin Bragg and Charles Butler. August 14<sup>th</sup> would have been Paul Heflin’s birthday. Keep Paul’s family in your prayers.

**Anniversaries:** August 21<sup>st</sup> Diane and Ken Sullivan

**Thoughtfulness:** Member Betsy Semko reports that her chemotherapy continues and she is making some progress. Please keep Betsy in your thoughts and prayers. President Kathy Jones is recovering from knee surgery. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

#### **COLISEUM PARKING:**

**Friday, July 22nd.** Thanks to David Whitley, Nathan Whitehead, James and Katherine Gould, LW Jones and Northwoods members Troy Nicholson, Bob Green and Stan Martin who helped park for the Baptist Youth Night Concert. Be ready to volunteer your time when called for future events.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Americanism** – George Bragg-completed two projects  
**Bar-B-Q** – George Bragg, Al Dickens, Martin Bragg, Nathan Whitehead

**Community Service** –Katherine Gould-completed one project

**Fund Raising** – Coliseum: Diane Sullivan, L.W. Jones

Stadium: L.W. Jones; Mistletoe: James Gould

**Prevention of Child Abuse** – Diane and Ken Sullivan, Teresa Kemp-completed four projects

**Publicity** – Diane Sullivan, George Bragg,

**Social** – Decorations, Teresa Kemp, Diane Sullivan

**Youth** –Ken Sullivan & Betsy Semko-completed one project

#### **PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:**

July is the first month of this exciting Exchange Club year. We have already completed all of the requirements for the National Service Award. Way to go Team! You are doing great things. Keep up the great work. Due to my knee surgery I have asked Diane Sullivan to shoulder some of the responsibilities of the office of President. Please do your best to help when she calls you to volunteer some of your precious time and resources. Things are coming together nicely for the Annual Bar-B-Q under the leadership of George Bragg and his committee. The theme is country western. So put on your bandanas, jeans, boots and come prepared to have a great time as we bring several club together for an impromptu Inner Club meeting. Remember to bring a gift for the “Let’s Have A Drawing”!! We received a Memorandum of Understanding from the Department of Finance and Administration that allows us to park vehicles at the Farmer’s Market for the upcoming football season. So be ready to volunteer as LW Jones chairs this important fund raiser for the Family Support Center. We had a great attendance for the celebration/dedication of the Dr. Hugh G. Ward Memorial Building with over 130 members of Exchange, community minded individuals and local elected officials attended with news coverage by WLBT-TV3 and soon to be published articles in the print media. We have a great challenge in front of us to achieve the goals and objectives of making our community a better place to live. With your personal commitment to our club anything is possible. Thanks for your assistance when asked to help whether that be a parking assignment, decorations, calling committee, or any other club responsibilities. The success the Exchange Club of North Jackson has enjoyed is not due to the efforts of any single Exchangite but those of all our club members. Thanks!

**Kathy**

**We Can Do It... You Can Help**

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Keep a close watch on The Northside Record. Listen up for calls from our calling committee. Annual Bar-B-Q at LeFleur’s Bluff State Park, Brunner Huddleston Scholarship award, Jeff Carter Scholarship award, Stadium Parking and the National Service Award.

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