



# 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	



## May 25, 2005

**June 6, 2005**

### NEXT MEETING:     **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

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

### ***INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS***

Please be present as we install our newly elected officers and directors for the 2005-2006 Exchange Administrative Year. We will also have Convention Reports from delegates and attendees to the Mississippi District Exchange Convention held June 2-5, 2005 in Grenada as well as the Annual Report to the club by the President detailing our accomplishments and successes for the year. Mrs. Thomas Catching has been invited to attend our meeting to receive a memorial donation to her family in her time of loss due to the slaying of Officer Catching during the pursuit of a car jacker.

### LAST MEETING:

#### ***Trooper of the Year***

We had excellent attendance as we recognized the Trooper of the Year as determined by the Trooper Association to a Trooper of the Department of Public Safety. President-elect Al Dickens presided. Decorations were very nice as President Sullivan, President designate Jones, Board Member designate Katherine Gould, and member Teresa Kemp, arranged flowers in very attractive containers. The flowers were given to individuals at the conclusion of the program. Al introduced and turned the program over to James Gould, who has done an excellent job in coordinating this program with other Exchange Clubs, the Commissioner's Office and the Trooper's Association. Commissioner of Public Safety, George Phillips addressed the gathering and encouraged Exchange to go to their legislators and lobby in favor of an increase in compensation for law enforcement personnel. There were ninety-six (96) people in attendance including media personnel representing the newspaper and two

television stations. Each local Trooper of the Year was introduced along with their guest. Commissioner Phillips then introduced and spoke highly of the career accomplishments of the Statewide Trooper of the Year. That Trooper is Sargent Dennis Leo Darby of Troop E from Batesville Headquarters. Sgt. Darby has always been a "road man" and after a challenging four-year time to be accepted into a Highway Patrol Cadet class, he was eventually successful. Sgt. Darby has 22 years of service to the Mississippi Highway Patrol and the citizens of the state of Mississippi. He accepted the State Trooper's Association plaque. In the absence of Mississippi District Exchange Club President-elect John Miller, Region Six Vice President Ken Sullivan presented Sgt. Darby the plaque from the Mississippi District Exchange Clubs. This was a very ceremonial meeting with an impressive presentation of the colors by the MHP Color Guard and the signing of the National Anthem by a State Trooper. RVP Sullivan led in an invocation and President-elect of our club, Kathy Jones led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests were recognized including the dignitaries of the Department of Public Safety and Rebecca Middleton, Division Director V, representing the Mississippi District Exchange Clubs. The Chaplain for the State Trooper's Association then led in a closing prayer. We were dismissed with our motto, "***Unity for Service.***"

President Sullivan reminds everyone 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. Tournament Director Chris Baker then shared some of the opportunities to participate as Exchange Members in helping with the tournament, being a sponsor and/or being a player in the event. To get involved call Ruben at 601/856-9523 or 601/351-7043.

New Board Members and all New Members joining after July 1, 2004 enjoyed an Officer Training and New Member Orientation on Monday, May 16, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant. RVP Ken Sullivan presented the training and orientation.

### **"Build Exchange"**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Awards for District Convention:** President Sullivan is completing our awards applications for competition at the District Convention in Grenada.

#### **Convention Attendees:**

Regional Vice President Ken Sullivan, Nominations Committee Chair, informed our newly elected executive officers and board members that training would be available at the National Convention in Salt Lake City and the District Convention in Grenada. Delegates have been selected to attend both of these conventions. Order your Convention Packages now to get the best pricing.

**Freedom Shrine:** Tuesday, May 24, 2005 Rededication of Freedom Shrine at Parham Bridges Park was attended by many members.

#### **Installation of New Member:**

Regional Vice President Ken Sullivan installed Glenn E. Ward.

**Birthdays:** June 5, Lyn McCool; June 6, Tim Sullivan; June 16, Glenn Ward; June 18, Teresa Kemp; June 28, Al Dickens

**Anniversaries:** June 6<sup>th</sup>, Margery and George McCully

#### **Center News:**

Our Club has donated money for the lighting and the signage to identify the Family Support Center as an Exchange Club supported project. Be aware that a reception recognizing the contribution of Joe Ann Ward and our club and others will be held in June 2005. Joe Bennett Executive Director of the Family Support Center will be recognizing guests. All Exchangites, who can attend, should attend.

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

Betsy Semko is currently recovering from her second chemotherapy treatment. Keep her in your prayers. Paul Heflin is at home after a stay in Baptist Hospital. Keep him in your prayers.

#### **COLISEUM PARKING:**

Upcoming events: **Saturday, June 4.** L. W. Jones will be chairing this event. Volunteers are Thad Roberts and Glenn Ward. The event is "Larry, The Cable Guy" and begins at 8:00 p.m. Be there at 6:00 p.m. to start parking. Be ready to volunteer your time when called.

Thanks to everyone [L. W. Jones, Al Dickens, Glenn Ward, Ken and Diane Sullivan] who parked May 13 (Bill Gaither Concert). Thanks to everyone [George Bragg, Susan Rentschler, Charles Butler, Al Dickens, Diane and Ken Sullivan] who parked for Lynard Skynard on Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **THANKS FOR UPGRADING OUR WEB SITE:**

Check it out! Our own Web Master George Bragg in collaboration with computer wizard Martin Bragg have got our site updated and looking really good. Go to the web address listed below and see what's happening if you haven't visited the site in a while. THANKS, GEORGE AND MARTIN!!

### **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

June is District Convention Month. We will be represented with a strong contingency of officers, directors, delegates and guests in Grenada. We have had an excellent Exchange year thanks to your personal commitment to our club. We have done some tremendous things for our community, our fellow citizens, and the growth of Exchange. We take pride in these successes. Although, we are not seeking recognition entirely, it is important that our successes and achievements be recognized. We have prepared entries for the awards for which we are eligible. We hope to bring back several awards to share with everybody. 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 Jackson has enjoyed is not due to my efforts but those of all our club members. Thanks!

*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!**

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