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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)

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April 11, 2007

April 16, 2007

NEXT MEETING:

Program Chairs – Maxine Sullivan and Kathy Jones
– Guest Speaker

WHEN: **Monday, April 16, 2007, 6:30 p.m.**

WHERE: Western Sizzlin
1011 Lake Harbor Drive
Ridgeland, Mississippi

MENU: Buffet style dinner, salad, tea, coffee, and dessert.

LAST MEETING:

James Gould led our invocation. Our newest member, Thal Athanasion, led our Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone enjoyed the Western Sizzlin’ dinner buffet.

April is Prevention of Child Abuse Month. This is our National Program of service and our Club is the pre-eminent Exchange Club supporter of the Family Support Center. The Center housed in the Hugh G. Ward memorial building on North Street serves the metropolitan Jackson area as well as being a resource for other community organizations that collaborate with us in the fight against Child Abuse.

Our guest speaker, Joe Bennett, Executive Director, Family Support Center, was introduced by President Sullivan. Joe spoke about the programs of service that are ongoing and the historical progress that has been made since its inception. We are celebrating our Silver (25th) Anniversary at the Center. The

Family Support Center has a responsibility of leadership in the prevention community. Joe reported there are many opportunities to serve. The Center is also capable of becoming a statewide lead organization for several different programs. Joe discussed the program that would be a natural fit. That program is a protective program for children with regard to predators over the Internet.

President Sullivan thanked everyone who has served and who has agreed to serve in the coming year as officers and Club leaders. There was a brief discussion of the upcoming fund-raising events and reminders to all of the importance of our fund-raisers. The Club was reminded to attend the Silver Gala on May 4, 2007 at the Old Capitol Inn. Social hour and silent auction begins at 6:00-7:00 p.m. followed by an elegant dinner and dancing. Host Club is the Exchange Club of Crossgates. Master of Ceremonies will be the incomparable, Noel Daniels. This should be a great evening and with excellent participation from all Exchange Clubs and Members, should raise a significant amount for the Family Support Center.

President Sullivan thanked all who have participated with our numerous fund-raisers.

President Sullivan reminded everyone of Officer and Board Member Training on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at the Richland Community Center. Upcoming District Convention is to be held at Lake Tiak O’Khata in Louisville. Dates are May 31 through June 2, 2007. Package price is \$138 for early registration. Room rate is \$70.00 plus tax per night. The National Exchange Club Convention is

scheduled for July 15-22, 2007 in Portland, Oregon. Officers for the coming year and members are reminded to let the current Officers know so plans can be made to advance convention fees as budgeted. Angela Butler reported on progress with our Youth of the Month/Year. James Gould reported on our progress with the State/Local Trooper of the Year Awards Program.

We were dismissed with our motto, "Unity for Service".

REPORTS:

Angela Butler is working on our Youth of the Month Project. Officer training as mentioned the Club will pay the fees for all incoming Officers and Board Member attendees. Lunch is included. Mark your calendar now so as not to miss this opportunity to fellowship and learn about Exchange.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thanks to those that helped fulfill our responsibility to this important fund-raiser. **Friday, May 4 – Silver Anniversary Gala.** Thanks for volunteering!

GET WELL WISHES:

Emily Dickens – great to see Ms. Emily back
Diane Sullivan – recovery continues
Kathy Jones – knee problems

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Happy Anniversary to Annette and Martin Butler on April 25th.

OUR PRESENCE ON THE WEB:

Our web master has returned from milder climes of Arizona. George will be updating the web site with current information of our program speakers and some of our fund-raisers. Go there and see yourself. The web address is at the bottom of this page of your bulletin. THANKS, GEORGE!!

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

I will be absent from the April 16th meeting as this is one of the last two days of tax filing season. Many of our planned programs are to be fulfilled just in time for us to celebrate another great year at our District Convention. We still need to file through our Secretary the activities of the Club so that we may be recognized for our accomplishments at our District and National Convention. If you have completed an activity and think we may have overlooked the reporting of that Activity, contact Secretary Susan Bragg and Diane Sullivan. We have some important events upcoming. Planning now is essential. Those include the Silver Anniversary Gala for the Family Support Center sponsored by the Exchange Club of Crossgates, Our Trooper of the Year, Youth of the Month/Year program, scholarship selection and award. Also exciting is the challenge of getting ready for and enjoying District and National Convention. So get ready. Invite a friend, associate or colleague to join our Club. We need two (2) new members before District Convention to qualify for the Big E again this year. Please volunteer.

We are having a very successful year. We can do it, with your help. Let's light the fire within! In fact we can't do it without your help. So commit now to grow Exchange by inviting or recommending your friends, family, associates and contacts for membership in our Club. And volunteering at every opportunity for service.

Ken Sullivan

