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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:

Ken Sullivan President	Susan Bragg Secretary
Kathy Jones President-Elect	George Bragg Treasurer

Directors:

James Gould	Diane Sullivan
Katherine Gould	Al Dickens
L. W. Jones	Martin Butler

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January 6, 2007

January 20, 2007

NEXT MEETING:

Program Chairs – Maxine Sullivan and Kathy Jones –
Mid Winter Educational Conference – District President
Ruthie Williams, Guest Speaker, Katie Smith, VFR,
Minnesota District Exchange Clubs and The National
Exchange Club

WHEN: Saturday, January 20, 2007, 9:00 AM
Registration at 8:30AM

WHERE: Eagle Ridge Conference Center
Hinds Community College Campus
Raymond, Mississippi

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

REGISTRATION PAID BY CLUB – Must turn in
reservation and commitment by
Monday, January 15, 2007

LAST MEETING:

James Gould led the Invocation. Jack Thacker led the
Pledge of Allegiance.

President Ken Sullivan presided. Correspondence was
shared with the Club. Wade Armstrong sent a thank you
letter and advised us of his success in school and
expressed his disappointment in not being able to attend
meeting due to work conflicts. Margery & George
McCully expressed their appreciation of the fruit basket
sent during their recent medical difficulties. Guests,
Mary Bates and Brad Jones were acknowledged and
welcomed. Thank you note received from Family
Support Center. Newsletter was received from Gateway

Missions. Members were acknowledged with health
issues – Emily Dickens still recovering from a virus,
Angela Butler not feeling well. Members traveling were
acknowledged – George and Susan Bragg arrived safely
in Arizona and will be enjoying the weather there
through March 2007. Susan may travel by airplane back
when a grandchild is born. Fund-raising volunteers were
acknowledged for Mississippi State Basketball. The
Club was reminded of the need for volunteering during
our most labor-intensive events of the Dixie National
Rodeo and Mississippi State High School Basketball
Championships in February and March respectively.
Those Club members assisting in our Christmas Families
benefit and our Annual Banquet were acknowledged and
thanked.

President Sullivan presented our annual Tax Seminar.
Club Members were made aware of some of the changes
and opportunities to reduce our tax liabilities during the
tax-filing season. A big benefit to all will be the tax
credit for long distance taxes that have been charged
from March 2003 through August 2006. The Courts
have ruled this tax to be non-collectable. All taxpayers
that had telephone long distance charges during this time
frame are eligible for the tax credit. Many other
interesting issues were raised.

President Sullivan then introduced our Jeff Carter
Scholarship Recipient, Brad Jones. Brad is pursuing a
degree in computer and information systems at Holmes
Community College in Ridgeland. President Sullivan
presented the scholarship check for the Spring 2007
semester. Brad thanked the Club.

President Sullivan then introduced our Main
speakers, Kim Stover and her husband Wes Stover.
Both work in the legal field, Kim as a paralegal with the
Jackson Law firm and Wes as Managing Partner in the
firm Bond, Botes and Stover. Kim started with an

interesting presentation about Exotic Birds. There were two beautiful birds brought. Ande the Amazon and Cinco a Macaw. Both birds are members of the parakeet family. This species is identified by the physiological trait of having feet with two toes pointed forward and two toes pointed backwards. This configuration allows the birds to use their feet in much the same way as humans use our hands. The birds' names are rather generic because Kim and Wes have not had the birds "sexed", so the sex of the birds is indeterminable. Ande could be Andy or Andie. Cinco is rumored to be the fifth bird hatched in a five egg laying on the fifth of May (Cinco de Mayo), thus the name. These birds are native to Central and northern South America. Most birds in captivity have been born in captivity. The animals are very social creatures and require human attention when living in a household as pets of anywhere from an hour to four hours per day. The birds sleep standing and require 12-15 hours of sleep daily. The birds eat principally a vegetarian diet but are carnivorous and will eat meat (chicken, beef or table scraps) when offered. These birds are long lived ranging from 70-90 years. It is important for owners to make provisions for care of the animal in their last will and testament. The Amazon parrot is the smaller of the birds and the Macaw is the larger. Although the two exist peacefully, they should be separated to eliminate any territorial issues. In the native environment these birds are pack animals. The birds seem to be monogamous and choose a single mate for life. This was a most interesting program and several questions were asked and answered. Ken thanks Kim and Wes for a great program.

James Gould won the handshake dollar.

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

REPORTS:

Next Meeting in January will be our Mid Winter District Meeting to be held on Saturday, January 20, 2007 at the Hinds Community College Conference Center in Raymond. The Club will pay the fees for all who attend. Lunch is included. Special Guest is VFR and dynamo from the great frozen tundra of Minnesota, Katie Smith and her angelic twin "Lena". Katie is on fire for Exchange and this will be a great meeting. Our RVP Dennis Norwood from the great Tennessee District and the Chattanooga Exchange Club is also expected to participate. Mark your calendar now so as not to miss this opportunity to fellow and learn about Exchange.

UPCOMING PARKING EVENTS:

Thursday, February 8 – Wednesday, February 14, 2007 Dixie National Rodeo

Monday, February 26 – Saturday, March 10, 2007 Mississippi State High School Basketball – Chair Diane Sullivan is working with L W Jones to get a good plan together for these important fund-raisers. We will be working with Richland and Northwoods to fully staff this labor-intensive commitment. Where shifts cannot be filled we will be hiring people to assist us. This expense will reduce our ability to continue some of our service projects. Thanks for volunteering!

BIRTHDAYS:

January

Angela Butler (10th), Jeff Conly (16th),
Brenda Cox (29th), and Katherine Gould (31st).

GET WELL WISHES:

Diane Sullivan – recovery continues
Emily Dickens at home recovering from a virus
Margery McCully at home after a mini-stroke

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

January is our Mid Winter District Educational Conference. This year we have a great guest is Katie Smith. We are expecting our RVP Dennis Norwood. We need to make a good appearance and brag about our Club accomplishments and plans for the remainder of this year. We will also learn about Exchange on a District, Regional and National basis. You could also invite a friend to join the Club and then we'd have more people to share the responsibility. We will be starting our Youth of the Month program and we need to begin our Proudly We Hail project. Please volunteer.

Ken Sullivan



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