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

Kathy Jones
Immediate Past-President

Directors:

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

BULLETIN EDITORS: Ken & Diane Sullivan



June 13, 2007

June 18, 2007

NEXT MEETING:

Program Chairs – Ken Sullivan and Kathy Jones – Mississippi District Exchange Club President Designate, John Blake: Installation of Club Officers for Administrative Year 2007-2008

WHEN: Monday, June 18, 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:

Ken Sullivan led our invocation. James Gould led our Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone enjoyed the Western Sizzlin' dinner buffet. As President Sullivan installed our newest member, Janie Thacker, she was presented a new member pin by her sponsor, Jack Thacker. Tim Sullivan was installed in his absence. President Sullivan presented our Exchange Education about the importance of membership growth, recruit and retain members.

Mississippi District Exchange Clubs held the Annual Convention on May 31, June 1 and 2, 2007 at Lake Tiak O'Khata in Louisville, Mississippi. Our Club had a tremendous representation with 50% Club attendance.

The members in attendance reported on the enjoyable aspects of the Convention where the National Representative was National President Kim Hodges and his wife Gaylin from the Rocky Mountain District and Provo, Utah.

George and Susan Bragg, Angela Butler, Al and Emily Dickens, James and Katherine Gould and Ken Sullivan made reports and acknowledgement of appreciation for support in attending the Convention. Kathy Jones and Diane Sullivan were unable to attend this meeting but did attend the Convention.

Newly elected Mississippi District Exchange Club Officers were: President John Blake (Poplarville); President-elect Denise Strub (Cleveland); Secretary Johnny Middleton (Ridgeland); Treasurer Freddy Ahrend (Richland); Division I Director Jimmy Dickerson (Batesville); Division III Director Harry Robinson (Houston); Division Director V Rebecca Middleton (Ridgeland); Division VII Director Alvin Brown (Brookhaven); Division IX Director Jimmy Johnson (Gulfport). Continuing Directors are: Division IV Director Roger Noller (Leavell Woods); Division VIII Director Scott Dearman (Perry County); and Division X Director Sam Lee (Oak Grove). Vacancy to be filled by appointment exists in Divisions II. Division Director VI Tom Ahrend (Pearl) was appointed.

Convention Sites for 2008 and 2009 were announced as follows: 2008 – McComb and 2009 – Cleveland. The Report of the Credentials Committee was that there were twenty-one (21) Clubs represented by fifty-eight (58) voting delegates. There was a total attendance including guests of sixty-eight (68) attendees.

Awards competition was spirited and exciting. The results are as follows:

Special appeal was made and the challenge met to raise enough funds to ensure the installation of Dave Moore (Uncle Sam – Northwoods) into the Court of Honor at the National Exchange Club headquarters courtyard in Toledo, Ohio

Special Recognition to Luther Roan for sixteen (16) years of service to the District as Treasurer

Louis E. Wilcox Club Membership Award – 1st Starkville; 2nd Cleveland; 3rd Batesville

Royal Gober Best Club Bulletin Award – Less than 50 members **North Jackson**; 50+ members Grenada

Edward R. North Scrapbook Award – Digital **North Jackson** Standard division – Oxford

Richard H. Bacon Outstanding Club Secretary – **Susan Bragg, North Jackson**

Thomas L. Bailey Youth of the Year – Lindsay Ward, sponsored by Gulfport

A.C.E. Award – Falisha Childers, sponsored by Saucier

Dorman B. Harvey Attendance Award – 1st Monticello; 2nd Gulfport; 3rd **North Jackson**

David D. Patty Outstanding Club President – LaDonna Worthington, Grenada

Billy Joe Sills Spirit of Exchange Award – **North Jackson**

Porter L. Fortune Exchangite of Year – Bill Goeff, Grenada

Steve Meisburg Award – 1st Grenada; 2nd **North Jackson**; 3rd Cleveland; 4th Oxford

Family Support Center Director Joe Bennett of the Exchange Club of Jackson presented reports of activities regarding the Prevention of Child Abuse. A donation was made in the amount of \$1,500 from the Monticello Club. A silent auction was held for the benefit of all Centers in the District.

Entertainment was a “Womanless” Beauty Pageant. The winner was Miss Trixie (Jimmy Johnson, Gulfport). Following the pageant which was emceed by I M Exchange (Johnny Middleton, Ridgeland) was dancing by the “Chippin’ Gals” including Denise Strub, Kathy Jones, Diane Sullivan, Katherine Gould, Jan Carter, Betty and Freddy Ahrend’s daughter and Lana O’Quinn. All enjoyed this. There was a memorable “One Nation Under God Breakfast” with the message delivered by Reverend Lonnie O’Quinn of the Poplarville Exchange Club and Assembly of God Church. Regional Vice President Dennis Norwood spoke about the status of the National Exchange Club and complimented and challenged the delegates and members to lead the nation.

National President Kim Hodges presented our Keynote addresses and conducted the official installation of Officers for the 2007-2008 Exchange Club Year. President Hodges was most complimentary and praised the effort of the Mississippi District Exchange Clubs, its leadership and membership in exceeding the goals set forth. Mississippi continues to lead the way. Mississippi is the Torchbearer District for the National Exchange Clubs. President Hodges encouraged everyone to attend the National Exchange Club Convention in Portland, Oregon during July 2007. President Ruthie Williams gave her farewell address to the Installation Banquet. Upon installation, President designate John Bake addressed the banquet. President Williams adjourned the Convention with reminders to attend upcoming Exchange events. We were dismissed with our motto, “Unity for Service”.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thanks to those that helped fulfill our responsibility to this important fund-raiser. **Friday, June 1 – Martina McBride Concert.** Angela Butler, Al Dickens, LW Jones, Diane and Ken Sullivan, Stan Martin (Northwoods) and Jamie Book (helper friend of Diane). Thanks for volunteering!

OUR PRESENCE ON THE WEB:

George did a tremendous job in preparing our Scrapbook. This is an excellent tool that you may use in recruiting new members. Ask for a copy. George will be updating the web site with current information of our program speakers, fund-raisers and Convention happenings. Go there and see for yourself. The web address is at the bottom of this page of your bulletin. THANKS, GEORGE!!

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Last meeting of this Administrative Year will be our installation of officers. We have the privilege of the Mississippi District President Designate John Bake to be officiating. This has been a tremendous year. We accomplished most of the goals we set for ourselves almost one year ago. Although we did serve our community well and provided services to many individuals and organization, we still have many challenges to enliven us and to charge us with our responsibilities. I thank each and every member for your efforts and contributions. Each of you is a true golden nugget for me. Your kindness, commitment, encouragement and support have been extremely gratifying.

2007-2008 is our 50th Anniversary Year. I challenge each of you to bring in one new member. Go to your friends, associates, former members. Ask people that you meet and interact with on a daily basis. Invite them to become involved in the greatest service organization in America, the Exchange Club of North Jackson. This action alone will make us stronger. We will be better equipped to provide our community service. We will be better able to carry out our Americanism programs. Our Youth Programs will thrive. Our struggle in the Prevention of Child Abuse will be strengthened. We will have more helpers for our fund-raisers. We will have more friends with which to share our successes.

As we move into our next exciting year, support our leadership. Pitch in to help where necessary. As we plan our year, have our President's Development Meeting and begin to plan some of our events, be sure to volunteer as you can. Each person helping makes a tremendous difference.

We have had a very successful year. We did it, with your help. Let's light the fire within! 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



The Chip'N Gals Entertainment for Family Night



Outstanding Club Secretary Award Susan Bragg



Outstanding Club Bulletin Award Diane Sullivan



Billy Joe Sills Spirit Award North Jackson Ken Sullivan