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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

BULLETIN EDITORS: Ken & Diane Sullivan

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May 2, 2007

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NEXT MEETING:

Program Chairs – James Gould and Angela Butler –
Local Trooper of Year, Troop C
Youth of Year and ACE Award Winner

WHEN: **Monday, May 7, 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. George Bragg led our Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone enjoyed the Western Sizzlin' dinner buffet. Diane Sullivan, Past President, conducted the meeting in President Ken Sullivan's absence. She welcomed our guests John Blake, MS District President-elect, and Rebecca Middleton, MS District Director, Division V.

Rebecca Middleton, Division V Director, spoke about the upcoming District Convention located at Lake Tiak O'Khata in Louisville. She stated the importance of reserving your room now as there are only 50 rooms being blocked for the convention and only 15 rooms being blocked at the Best Western. The deadline for reservations is April 30th. She then shared with us the itinerary for the convention and said she looked forward to seeing us there. She reminded us of the Officer training to be held on Saturday, April 21, at the Richland Community Center from 10:00AM until 11:00Am.

Rebecca thanked us for committing to donating items for the goodie bags for the District Convention.

President-elect John Blake spoke to us about membership and recruitment of new members. He said that Mississippi is number one in the Nation with membership up with 101 new members. John stated that Mississippi has built several new clubs this year and has a few more to build before the year is over. He has talked with his Division Directors for next year and has set out his goals to build at least one new club in each division. Mississippi has added another division so there is a total of ten divisions now.

John talked about how to grow club membership. He reminded us that we all know bankers, pastors, insurance agents, educators and principals, grocery store managers and other professionals. He said we have to ask them to join and let them know what Exchange is and what we do for the community. If we don't ask we won't grow our club. He encouraged us to ask someone to join us for our next meeting and then invite them to become involved and join our Club.

Past President Sullivan thanked Rebecca and John for joining us and sharing their messages. She then thanked everyone who has participated with our numerous fund-raisers and projects. She reported that Kathy Jones could not be with us due to working on a community service project with the "Give a Wish Foundation". Kathy was at Chuck E. Cheese helping with a send off party for a child and his family.

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

REPORTS:

A proposal was made and seconded for our Club to sponsor a youth from French Camp Academy to attend the celebration weekend from May 11-13, 2007, at Jamestown, Virginia. The French Camp Choir has been the only school from Mississippi invited to attend the celebration of Jamestown which is held once every fifty years commemorating it for being the first English settlement in the New World.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 4th "Steps of Inspiration" Gala,
May 21st Mississippi State Trooper of the Year Luncheon
May 31st – June 2nd Mississippi District Convention
July 18th – 21st National Exchange Convention in Portland, Oregon.

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 Katherine and James Gould on May 29th.

OUR PRESENCE ON THE WEB:

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:

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 or Diane Sullivan.

May is "Freedom Shrine Month". We need to re-dedicate a Freedom Shrine at Jackson Prep or University Christian or install one at New Summitt School before the end of the school year. Anyone who would like to help the Americanism Committee on this project please contact George or Susan Bragg, Al Dickens or Charles Butler.

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 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.

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.

Ken Sullivan



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