



# The Northside Record

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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:

Angela Butler  
President  
President-Elect

Katherine Gould  
Secretary  
Diane Sullivan  
Treasurer

Ken Sullivan  
Immediate Past-President

## Directors:

James Gould  
LW Jones  
Jack Thacker

Jeff Conly  
Al Dickens  
Martin Butler

**BULLETIN EDITORS:** Diane Sullivan/Katherine Gould

# Happy New Year!

December 31, 2008

## NEXT MEETING: Stand Up America Brunner Huddleston and Jeff Carter Scholarship

WHEN: January 6, 2009, Tuesday  
6:30 P.M.

WHERE: Western Sizzlin  
1011 Lake Harbour Drive  
Ridgeland, Mississippi

MENU: Buffet, tea, coffee, dessert

Program Chairs, January:  
Angela Butler and L. W. Jones

## LAST MEETING:

### Christmas Party, Friday, December 12, 2008

North Jackson Exchange Club members and their guests met and mingled at a gaily-decorated Colonial Country Club for Christmas fun. Gifts for the Hudspeth Center were collected, and Angela Butler, President, began the festivities, calling on Martin Butler for the invocation and Katherine Gould to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pearl High School Minstrel Chorus was then introduced, seventeen talented young people who entertained us with a variety of Old English style Christmas tunes, including a quite humorous rendition of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." They were dressed in period costumes, and their hard work was evident in their performance. A standing ovation and rounds of applause were well earned. Thanks to the chorus and their Director, Donna McCommon.

Afterward, everyone enjoyed the meal and excellent service provided by the Colonial Country Club staff. Angela welcomed our guests and District representatives, John Covington, President-elect; Rebecca Middleton, Division V Director; and Freddy Ahrend, Treasurer. She reminded us of the time for the Salvation Army bellringers tomorrow—Jack, Janie, James, Katherine, Al, and Ken. She also had sign-up

sheets available for the Trans-Siberian Orchestra and MSU basketball parking. Diane and Susan have December birthdays.

Angela called on the District representatives for any comments they might have, so John Covington reminded us of the Mid-Winter Conference at Richland on Saturday, January 24. (It snowed last year!)

Angela then presented Jack Thacker and James Gould with plaques for leading the successful parking week for Mistletoe Marketplace. Membership awards went to Ken Sullivan, 35 years, and James Gould, 44 years. (Other members received their awards previously.) Membership Service Award recipients were Susan Bragg and Diane Sullivan. Faithfulness and Dedication of Service certificates were given to Charles Butler, Jeff Conly, George Bragg, James Gould, Katherine Gould, Martin Butler, Susan Bragg, L. W. Jones, Janie Thacker, Al Dickens, Jack Thacker, Diane Sullivan, and Ken Sullivan.

After Ken Sullivan presented Katherine Gould with her plaque for the 2007 Exchangite of the Year, James Gould came forward to announce of the Exchangite of the Year for 2008. He told about the willingness of this person to serve the club in many of its projects during the year, helping with parking, faithful attendance at meetings, and especially serving as Chairman of Mistletoe Marketplace parking. He asked Jack Thacker to come forward to accept the Exchangite trophy. Members greeted Jack with applause and a standing ovation for a well-deserved honor.

Angela thanked everyone for coming and reminded us that our next meeting would be in the New Year. Everyone had a numbered Christmas ornament to take from the tree, which was part of the decorations Susan Bragg planned for the party. They are a collection from

the Smithsonian Catalog. Thanks, also, to Susan for arranging to bring the talented singers!

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

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Friday, January 16 – Sunday, January 18  
Monster Motor Nationals - Coliseum Parking  
Mid-Winter Conference – Richland, MS  
Saturday, January 24

### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:**

#### **January Birthdays:**

Angela Butler, 1/10

Jeff Conly, 1/16

Katherine Gould, 1/31

#### **No January Anniversaries:**

### **IN THE HOSPITAL:**

No one now; however, Jack Thacker has had knee surgery, and L. W. Jones also had surgery.

Diane's father, Jack Tickle, recently has been in the hospital, is home waiting to have more tests run next week.

We also hope Maxine and Emily are continuing to improve.

### **PEARL CHAMBER SINGERS**



Chamber Singers, the madrigal performance ensemble of Pearl Singers, is the highest honor for a choral student at Pearl High School. Auditions are held each spring for any available spots in the 22-member group. Once selected, each student is required to design his or her own costume and have it made to bring a truly medieval feel to the group. Each costume is unique, unlike any other. It is the student's own design and belongs to the student.

Chamber Singers consistently earn superior ratings at all events and Sweepstakes awards at the Gulf Coast Choral Festival. In addition to festival performances, the Pearl Chamber Singers frequently perform throughout the

Jackson metropolitan area for various community events. Past performances of the Chamber Singers have included occasions for Union Planters Bank, Walker Corporation, Eastover Corporation, The Orchard, the Jackson Exchange Club, the Mississippi Association of Gifted Teachers, the Mississippi Department of Education and numerous small neighborhood or club functions.

Other significant achievements of Chamber Singers include a performance at the Mississippi Governor's Mansion for a luncheon hosted by First Lady Pat Fordice. The Chamber Singers also performed at a dinner party hosted by Governor and Mrs. Kirk Fordice. They also performed for Governor Fordice's private reception during the opening festivities of the world famous *Palaces of Versailles* exhibit.

The repertoire of Chamber Singers consists of music from the medieval and Renaissance periods. They primarily perform madrigals works from Italy and England that exhibit characteristics of this time period. Some of the most famous composers of madrigal music are Orlando di Lasso, William Byrd, Thomas Morley, Orlando Gibbons and John Wilbye.



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February, Diane Sullivan

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