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Calendar

Feb. 8th **Ken Pyatt,**
Garland Heliport
You Make A Difference
Capt. Bob Smith, GFD
Feb 15th **Heart Association**
Youths of the Month –
South Garland High
Feb. 22 **Donna Bentley**

*Thank
you*



Marcela and Derek for allowing us to invade your home for the Super Bowl Party Celebration. Also “Thanks” to those who supplied refreshments. Jeffy and Will, Jeff’s son, handled the Super Bowl Squares. By the Quarter it went: **Jenny** (Jeff’s daughter), **Exchange, Dennis, & Marcela**
Congratulations to the winners!

Mid-Winter Conference Report

I would say it was a “**Roaring**” success. There were 60+ in attendance. Of those nine were from Noon Garland. The main speaker, **Dr. Don Newbury**, was very humorous and kept us laughing. Dr. Newbury is a philosopher, university president author humorist and teacher After Dr. Newbury and a short break the President and CEP of ClubExpress, **Dan Ehrmann** gave a very interesting and simplistic overview of ClubExpress. This is a website developed for non-profit organizations with a very easily affordable fee. It was a **RUSH** after lunch – a Mardi Gras Rush Party. We went from the “Second Line” dance into a scavenger hunt. As explained later the rush party can take any theme or idea but it needs to be **FUN** and we need to **FOLLOW UP**.

Jan Furtick presented Dave Weeks with the **Top C.A.P Cat** cap for the first quarter award and then drew a name from the participants for the second quarter award. The Gatesville Club was the lucky winner and Mike Meier received the Top C.A.T. Cap.

Jan also talked about the Noon Garland’s program with **Jonathan’s Place – GAKABTR**. Marcela and Ken helped Jan out by giving testimonies on their experiences.

Due to a law suit brought by the ACLU the Boy Scouts have had to find locations other than public schools to hold their meetings. **George Finch** from the Austin Club has helped support scouting for a number of years. George and the Scout Director from Austin talked about the cost and benefits of becoming involved.

The Newsletter Patches were awarded during lunch. The Outstanding Club Bulletin Award for clubs with 50+ members went to Copperas Cove. Along with the Gatesville Club, we received 220 out of 225 possible points. Not a bad deal.

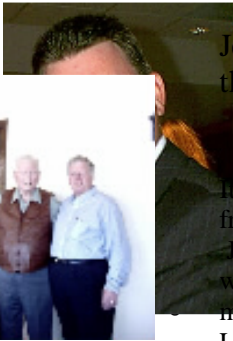
The next get together for District will be the Texas (Louisiana) District Convention June 23 – 25. The National Representative for the Convention will be National Treasurer Claude Carmack. I, and I feel sure all who have attended the last several conferences, encourage you to attend the June Convention. There will be great speakers, Youths & A.C.E. Awards, interesting and informative break-out sessions and officer training. And thrown in for free you will be meeting great people and having great fun.

Mission Statement of National Exchange Clubs

Exchange, America’s Service Club, is a group of men and women working together to make our communities better places to live through programs of service in Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities and the Prevention of Child Abuse

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Jerry DeFeo asked Jim Leavelle to speak to the membership about his experiences during "Those Days in November 1963"

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at I feel need to be mention. One is Jerry Dapharoe. Did you all see Jerry and Mary in the national Exchange Today. any Exchange can receive. His name was inscribed on the granite pylons at the National headquarter in Toledo. of Honor. That is a big deal. Jerry did not get there by sitting around and waiting for someone to call on something. Jerry has for Exchange. Does Jerry make me mad sometimes? Sure he does. Does Jerry make the wrong way from someone who actually took part in it. I for Exchange with a national title for Jerry Oswald club would have over 100 members and we would have a SHPO. Congratulations Jerry and son congratulations to Mary too. She is always by Jerry's side with a smile. many interesting details to share with the members. Leavelle told the members that "Fiction was more interesting than Fact"

Sympathy

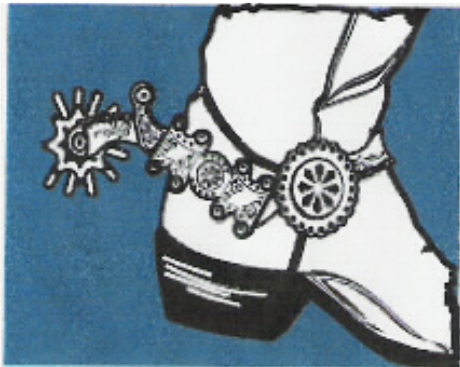
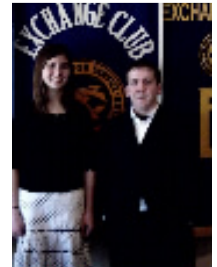
ling for someone like Patricia on a member of Rusty Bryan's staff passed away suddenly. Nellie was a very friendly and likable lady. She will be missed by all who knew her.



State Representative Joe Driver

The guest speaker for the January 25th meeting was State Representative Joe Driver. He spoke on Education Funding. He anticipates another Special Session to be called in April to solve this problem. **Good Luck.**

Megan Ehrhardt and Kevin Taylor, Seniors attending Naaman Forest High School were honored as Students of the Month for January.



24th Annual
Boots-n-Bar-B-Q
March 24, 2006 starting at
6:30 p.m.

Don't forget **Auction Items**. Bring them to the meeting or drop them off to Marcela at Texans Credit Union. We still need **Event and Table Sponsors** and Many Many people buying Raffle Tickets for the **HUGE TV**

After the work preparing for this event we can have **FUN**



GAKABTR
The third Thursday of the month. Sign up with Jan Furtick.

February 16th

February Birthdays

Dana Ruppert	Feb. 1st
Michael Gothard	Feb. 25th

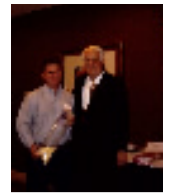
Membership Anniversaries

Tommy Townsend	1996
Don Tinius	2001
Gerald Cooper	2003
Ken Fifield	2004
Randy Caldwell	2004



Jeffy's Muessings

And Jeffy's Hot Air



Well hello everyone and welcome to my world. It is late and time to start writing about stuff that has happened in our lives the last week or so. Would you like to hear about my personal stuff or Exchange stuff. OK I guess I will stick to Exchange stuff.

We had our Mid Winter Conference in Austin this last weekend. I did not know what to expect. The four amigos went down together on Friday morning and after a long drive we decided to go to a rest area. It was a beautiful rest area. There were lots of rolling hills and beautiful scenery. We would *drive* here and *drive* there. We saw deer running all over the area. The deer did not even pitch a fit when we were close to them. They would just *putter* around the area. There were woods all around us and we would just visit and try to *iron* things out when we needed to do so. We had a *ball*. We talked a lot about Exchange and tried to find a *fairway* to plan events with all our *clubs*. We could not take in all of the beauty at one time. It was just too much for four men to handle all at once. So we decided to stop every once in a while to enjoy and reflect. When we were finished we counted that we stopped about 18 different areas of the rest area and enjoyed the greenery. We occasionally enjoyed a *bird* or two but we did not let our minds get *carted* off from the reason we were in Austin. Finally after about four hours or reflection we had to stop a 19th time and enjoy the spirits of a teamwork of four friends.

We continued our journey and arrived at the hotel Park Plaza. Don some how closed his eyes and the next thing we knew we were at the hotel. It was a nice hotel with a beautiful bar. It must have been a very conservative and private bar because it closed at 8pm on a Friday night. They told us Saturday that the bar was having some trouble not as many people were coming in. Do you think that's because you closed at 8pm on a Friday night with two conventions there? Do you see an answer to the problem. OPEN THE DOORS TO THE BAR!!!! That may solve your problem.

Sorry, I digressed. Our meeting on Saturday was very good. We had about 60-63 members in attendance. I had not seen that many people in quite a while. Our guest speaker was Dr. Don Newbury. He is the retired president of Howard Payne University. Dr. Newbury was very fun and entertaining except when he talked about substance and hot air. You had to be there for that one. I do not want to talk about it. Anyway, Dr Newbury told us that we needed to keep things fun and exciting about Exchange. He noticed we were into Americanism and was proud about being concerned about the safety of our kids today. I hope we can get Dr. Newbury to come and speak to our club sometime.

It looks like we are going to get into a program called ClubExpress. It is a local website for our local Exchange club. We will be able to interact with each other on our computers and also pay our dues on line. We will be able to go on at anytime to check up on what is going on and with whom. It will cost the club 40 cents per member per month plus a start up fee. That is a bargain. We will let you know when we begin this program so you can get on the website and put in your personal information. All the data will be protected and **never** sold to any company for any reason.

That afternoon we had a MardiGras party. It was fun and the room looked great. The reason the room looked so well was because the Garland Noon Club decorated it. There were balloons and party hats and horns. We had MardiGras beads and music as well. Laura was dressed like a court jester and others were dressed up as well. They were trying how to throw an Exchange rush party to get new members. The teacher in Laura poured out all through the room. We had notes and ideas and knowledge about how to increase membership. Laura you made it fun and interesting. If I sound partial to Laura I am so deal with it. Laura you and your staff should be proud. It was one of the best mid-winter conferences I have ever been to at Exchange. You are the best!!! Jan did us proud that afternoon when she told everyone there about our program with GIVEAKIDABOOKTOREAD program at Jonathans Place. That was a really good session. Good work Jan!

Thanks to all the members from our club who came. We had Don, Ken, David, Jan, Micheal G., Johnnie D. and wife Lila as well. There was Marcella and Rosie the Rock. Laura called her that and that just supported what I said about Rosie a few weeks ago. I'm glad the district sees it too.

We hope that the fire lit under us this weekend comes to our club and sparks the rest of you members. Let's try to get our club fired up for the Boots and Bar-B-Q in March. Go out and get silent auction items and sell tickets to the event. I will see you on Wednesday. Come and Share the Excitement. **Unity for Service...Ding!**