

## The Club Buzz

### The DeFeo Dynasty

I believe – Noon Garland, the Texas District, Region 5 and National President Jerry DeFeo has the first new member of the 2004-2005 year. Mary DeFeo's membership card was mailed in on July 1. Jerry is wearing the new "One for Exchange" pin. Thank you Jerry and Welcome to Mary. She will be a great addition to the club.

### It's A Boy!

Troy and Jaime DeFeo are expecting another bundle of joy – and this one will be a boy. Congratulations to all the DeFeo family.

### Star Spangled Fourth

Rosie Neely's granddaughter, Kim Grubbs, and two of her friends, Bridgett Ditmore and Shane Dear, volunteered to help in downtown Garland at the Star Spangled Fourth. On the volunteer form they put that they represented the Exchange Club. Thank you for volunteering and thinking of Exchange.

### Scolding – with Love

Do you remember being told "This will hurt me worse than it hurts you"? Well it is true. I am asking the members to PLEASE eliminate personal conversations during club meetings. It is distracting to the other members around you and also to those trying to hold a discussion or do a presentation. Thank you for your co-operation.

### New York City Salsa

Celia and Charlie Conrad spent the July 4th weekend in New York City – not looking for the salsa factory. They were visiting with their daughter, Amy, who has been there for over a year and really likes being in "The Big Apple".

### Member Survey

The member survey is ready for mailing. As soon as the roster is checked and questions added regarding the newsletter the surveys will be in the mail. After that it is up to you, the members, to complete and return them.

### National Exchange Convention

Be watching for "Tales from the Convention" Convention goers be careful – there is no 100-mile rule this year.

### The President's Planning Meeting

We are sorry to have missed those who could not make it to the planning meeting this past June We looked at the programs and projects we currently do and also at a variety of other possible programs and projects. Time prevented us from completing all the committee's programs and projects.

Some things we will need help with in the first quarter are:

1. **GIVEKIDAFLAGTOWAVE** – Labor Day Parade September 6th. Contact Terrence Hamilton, Americanism Director
2. A **Blood Drive** in August or September. Contact Kaye Schaum, Community Service Director.
3. **Baby Safety Month** September Hand out brochures at day care centers.
4. **Box Tops for Education**. Collect to give to a school to help purchase needed items.
5. Use **September's Fifth Wednesday** to do a brown bag lunch at a Senior Care Center

### June 23 rd Meeting

We were pleased to have **Margaret Patterson** from the **CAP Center** with us. We presented her with a check to help out with the centers needs. Margaret showed the members a mock up of the book covers that we helped purchase to be used in several middle schools in Garland.

**Scott Simpson** gave a power point presentation on the **Texas Fire Museum**. He has kindly loaned us fire truck for the Labor Day Parade and the Christmas Parade. Celia asked if for the Christmas parade this year we could have the red and the green trucks.