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Calendar

June 21st

Nancy Ellis
Nutritionist

June 23 - 25

Texas District Convention
Renaissance Hotel, Richardson

June 28th

Noon Garland's Installation
Taste of Italy

Proudly We Hail

By Jeff Muessig

Well hello everyone in Exchange land. I hope your weekend is going swell. I'm sorry about the rain going away. It was almost here and being the type "A" person I am and having the organizational skill I possess, I got up early and put fertilizer on my lawn. By the time the spreader was in the storage shed the sun came out. Oh, it got cloudy and even sprayed the yard for sixty seconds but that's about it. My son Will put the clincher on the rain by stating, "dad I am going shopping with mom and grammy. It is going to rain and we will not be able to mow our yards today." Where are you now Will? The sun is shining and we have four yards to mow. Right now he is in depression in some mall.

Let's get down to some bidness. We had a meeting last Wednesday. If you all did not know, we have a meeting every Wednesday at Eastern Hills Country Club at noon. That is why we are called Noon Exchange Club of Garland. Put that on your calendar for the next 30-40 Wednesdays and you should be in good shape. Anyway, last Wednesday was no different. Well, it was a little different. We had our "Proudly We Hail" luncheon. This is a special lunch that Exchange has once a year to recognize some one or some family that proudly flies our flag in their yard every day of the year. There has to be a flag pole in the yard. Any way we all gathered at Exchange last Wednesday and had some lunch. If you were there you know where I am going with this. If you were not there you missed a very special day. This is why you need to come to the meetings every Wednesday. You never know what is going to happen. This was one of those meetings. Don't get me wrong. Don has done a great job this year with speakers and programs. We have had the dude that was in Washington DC in the 70's. We have had the coffee girl and the Super Supper babes. There has been a lot of good stuff. I even got to meet a new member a few weeks ago. Her name is Stacy. Anyway, this Wednesday was neat/torpedo.

We started off with the pray and the pledge of course. Then we had the Star Spangle Banner played by Micha Bond. He is a great talent from Rowlett High School. We were then treated to hear from a young lady or soldier who spent 14 months in Iraq. I do not know about you but I probably would have a hard time staying 14 hours in Iraq. Her name is Natausha Swavey. She brought pictures of what was going on over there. She told us why she loved the Flag and what it meant to her. Ms. Swavey told us about the intense heat over there and day to day conditions. How do you take a shower with two bottles of water? It did not sound very fun. Natausha went on over 150 missions while she was there. there.

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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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June Birthdays

Bret Packer June 13th
Lance Luna June 15th

Member Anniversaries

Kim Simpson	20 yrs
Marcela Minahan	3 yrs
Eddie Krasniqi	1 yr
Javier Solis	1 yr
Barbara Hoover	1 yr
Mary VanCleave	1 yr
Robert Thomas	1 yr
Jack Gorman	1 yr

Exchange Clubs Covenant of Service

Accepting the divine privilege
of single and collective responsibility
as life's noblest gift,
I covenant with my fellow Exchangites:

To consecrate my best energies to the
uplifting of social, religious,
Political and business ideals;

To discharge the debt I owe
To those of high and low estate
Who have served and sacrificed
That the heritage of American
citizenship
Might be mine;

To honor and respect law,
To serve my fellow men, and
To uphold the ideals
And institutions of my country;

To implant the life-giving,
Society-building spirit of service and
comradeship
In my social and business
relationships;

To serve in unity
With those seeking better conditions,
Better understandings, and
Greater opportunities for all.

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She mentioned the only thing larger than the 16 legged spiders were the rats they ate. That was a good topic at lunch. Pass me the cheese please. Anyway, she mentioned about the friends she had made and about the friends that did not come back. She proudly mentioned that they are doing something special over there and the people in Iraq are glad they are there. The soldiers are doing good things and helping to make a difference. We are all proud of her and all the brave men and women over there.

After that we had Angela and Arielle Nichole Stanford. They were the ones with the wonderful flagpole in their yard. I thought they also had one in the back yard but it was the neighbors yard. He moved it to his backyard because theirs was so much bigger. Go figure. Anyway, Angela let us know how pleased she was to be asked to speak. At first they worried about the stalker, me, leaving notes on their front porch each day. After I convinced them I was never "convicted" of any felonies they talked with me. I was just kidding about the convictions. Well, I mean I have not ever been convicted of anything. I digress. She told us that her husband Phillip always wanted a flag in his yard because when he was a boy he remembered at 1AM the last thing on the TV was the Star Spangled Banner, The Flag, and the jets flying over somewhere in our great country. Of course after that there was just snow on the screen till 6AM. That is why they do it. Angela said there was not family member in the service or anything. It was just because of something special for Phillip when he was younger. She then mentioned to us that they were involved with the troops that were returning to Iraq. That is where Arielle comes into the picture. She is 15 years old and very talented. The two of them would go every week to DFW and Arielle would sing to the troops. They just wanted to maybe make their day a little brighter and let them know someone cares. It was very touching. We were lucky to find such caring people. Arielle then sang "God Bless the USA" to our group gathered together last Wednesday. As she sang I looked at Natausha and Angela and you could see how special and committed these three were. They all had a love and passion for our country we wish everyone had. Needless to say there was not a dry eye in the house. I know I had a vision problem for a moment or two. It was a moving experience and special time for all.

We thank Natausha for her service and thank Angela and Arielle for their time and commitment to our brave troops. We are going to have the Stanfords back another time so Arielle can put on a musical program for our club. I hope you will make it then.

Well, that's about it for now. My fingers are very tired and I have to go find my son so we can mow some lawns....Yea....Enjoy Fathers Day all you dad. Kids, and Exchange members too, tell your dads thank you and you love 'em. See you all on Wednesday and always remember to say....**Unity for Service....Ding!**

**A Special Thanks
to all who attended and to all our guests**