



Honored Speakers – Captain Robert Postera and Lt. Joseph Dolsak.

Senator Geo-Karis, Captain Robert Postera, Lt. Joseph Dolsak, and



Gurnee Community Church Scout Troop.



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October 4, 2005. Board Meeting, Oceana Café 7:00 a.m.

October 11, 2005. Membership Meeting, Oceana Café 7:00 a.m. – Gurnee Fire Department – Fire Update and Hurricane Support.

October 21, 2005. Breakfast/Noon Club Birthday Celebration, Midlane Country Club, *Tentative*

October 25, 2005. Membership Meeting, Oceana Café 7:00 a.m. – Phil Hintz – Internet Safety & District 56 program development.

October 29, 2005. Benefit for Gurnee's Officer Jack Lemaster, Antioch V.F.W., 75 W. North Avenue, Antioch, IL 12:00 pm to 10:00 p.m. For more info contact Bob Janusz – 847-599-7123.

November 8, 2005. Membership Meeting, Oceana Café 7:00 a.m. – Ward Miller – Lake County Storm Water Management Commission.

November 22, 2005. Prayer Breakfast, Gurnee Community Church, Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, IL – Chairmen John Goodwin and Nancy Tunburg.

December 13, 2005. WTHS Ensemble – more info to follow.

Chuck Balling and Lee Bongaars are seeking membership recommendations for future speakers. Call Chuck at (847-623-7788) or Lee at (847-662-7755) with your ideas.

Don't forget to bring a guest to our next meeting!!

Did you know?

Both the Gurnee Police Department and Gurnee Fire Department sent volunteer teams to assist local police and fire departments in New Orleans and other Gulf cities. Learn more by attending the membership meeting on Oct. 11th.

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October 2005





Eggs



President's Message

On September 11, our 4th annual 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony was held at Viking Park. Despite unseasonably hot weather, yes, even for this summer, over 300 fellow residents attended this moving ceremony. Special thanks to Chief Fred and his committee members Chuck Balling, Dorothy Desmond, Pat Gallagher, Hank Schwarz, Ben Martindale, and special committee member (and we hope new member!!) Mike Pennich.

Toward mid-month, the BEC and Noon Clubs joined forces to help prepare our *File for Life* card packets in preparation for our National Day of Service on October 22nd. More than 750 packets were stuffed, collated, and stickered by over 20 members from both clubs. These packets are ready for distribution to area seniors. Paul Williams deserves the credit for stepping up once again to chair this project and coordinate activities with the Noon Club. Thanks Paul!

Spilling into October was our *Adopt-a-Highway* Fall clean-up. Those beautiful stretches of Grand Avenue are courtesy of Hank Schwarz and fellow members who started their weekend the way we always dream of . . . with a bag of highway trash along their side.

Since October is Fire Prevention Month, our first membership meeting on the 11th will feature Chief Fred and fellow firefighters recapping their support role in New Orleans and along the Gulf coast over the past month.

Region Director and fellow BEC member Pat Gallagher has invited all of us to the Round Lake Club's second annual Chili Supper on Oct 17th. The fund-raiser is in partnership with the Round Lake area schools "Character Counts" Program. The dinner will be at the Round Lake High School Cafeteria.

For our membership meeting on the 25th, we have invited Phil Hintz, District 56 Technology Director to address Internet safety. Phil has received special training by the Justice Department, Juvenile Division on safety concerns specific to Internet use by children and teens. Tuesday's discussion by Phil follows the Monday night internet safety parent meeting hosted by the BEC and District 50 at Woodland Middle School, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Adam Krieger and Gayle Neumann have worked for more than six months to coordinate this program and a parallel program for District 56 in November.

Although Thanksgiving still seems a long way off, John Goodwin and Ray Smith are coordinating with the Noon Club on this year's Prayer Breakfast scheduled for Tuesday, November 22nd. If you're interested in working on the planning committee, contact John or Ray. Mark your calendar now to attend this community-wide event.

Finally, special thanks to fellow Exchangite Elmer Fallos for volunteering his time and talents as a driver in the recent *Gurnee Express* relief efforts for Hurricane Katrina victims.

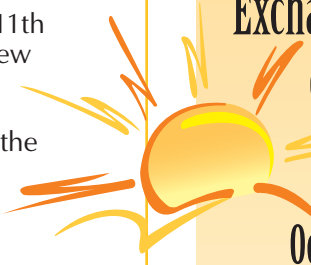
Yours in Exchange, **Bill Froese**



American Flag flying from the firetruck at the 9/11 Remembrance ceremony.

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Meetings
Second and Fourth
Tuesday of each
Month at 7:00 a.m.
at the Oceana Café.



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9/11 Remembered

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Flag Guard.

Hurricane Relief Fund

As you know, Hurricane Katrina has devastated the Gulf Coast and the people who live in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Your National Exchange Club and National Exchange Club Foundation are working to set up a disaster relief fund to help our Centers and fellow Exchangites that have been affected by the hurricane. We will have more detailed information to you in the future. In the meantime, if you would like to contribute to the relief fund, please send your check payable to the National Exchange Club Foundation at 3050 Central Avenue, Toledo, OH 43606-1700. Please note on your check that it is for the hurricane relief fund. All contributions are fully tax deductible.

Party with the Puppies

Our party at the Dairyland Greyhound RaceTrack in Kenosha has been rescheduled for April 22, 2006. Please mark you calendars! The event will include private skybox, buffet dinner, free admission, parking, mutual teller, bartender, program, and race dedication. The cost is \$24 per person (cash bar). Space is limited. For reservations please call Roberta Pfeiffer at 847-680-0331.

The **ATTIC PLAYHOUSE**, 410 Sheridan Road, Highwood, IL is presenting John Loves Mary, by Norman Brasna. A romantic comedy about a brave WWII soldier returning home. The play runs August 26 - October 9 with discounts offered to seniors, military members, and groups over 20. For more information call 847-433-2660.

You're Invited

The Round Lake Area Exchange Club is sponsoring their 2nd annual Chili Supper on Monday, Oct. 17th. This fund-raiser is in partnership with the Round Lake area schools "Character Counts" Program. The dinner will be at the Round Lake High School cafeteria. Come out and support your fellow Exchangites.

Mystery Member

Can you guess our mystery member, remember one item is untrue about our member. Bring your guesses to the next meeting and win a prize!!!

Can you guess who this member is?

Our Mystery Member was born on January 2nd and has been a member of Exchange for 10 years. He/she moved across the world at age 14 and would love an airline ticket to Australia. This member met their spouse at an International Restaurant and has two children. He/she loves Spanish food and has been on a diet their whole life. He/she enjoys customer service positions and their first job was as a waiter/waitress. Favorite hobbies include traveling and photography. **Marge Keenan-**

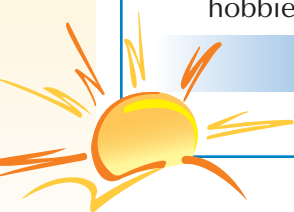
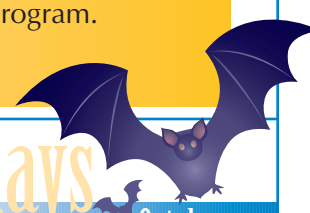
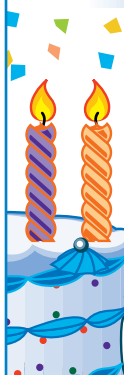
September Mystery Member Answer!

Mystery Member for September was **Rita Oster!**

Birthdays

October

- Carl E. Ball – 10/1
- Lee R. Bomgaars – 10/17
- Dorothy P. Desmond – 10/15
- Jeannie Domerchie – 10/28
- Mae Fleming – 10/11
- John Goodwin – 10/22
- Michelle Huffine – 10/9
- Andrea Jordan – 10/9
- Daniel Kloczkowski – 10/13
- Tiffany Patterson – 10/23
- Verna Rocheleau – 10/15
- Glenn Ryback – 10/15
- Mae Fleming – 10/11
- Mark Wimmer – 10/12



Foundation News

As your current chairperson, I'm honored to tell all of you that the Foundation (on behalf of the clubs) has awarded \$18,000 in grants this year – the most awarded in any year! We have once again completed the grant review and distribution process for the 2005-2006 year. If you've been at your meetings over the past couple of month, it's likely that you have seen at least one agency receive their award and tell you about the project for which they applied. What you don't see is the process that goes on behind the scene.

Looking over applications in June and July, the members of the review team decide which programs best address the issue of child abuse prevention. Working with the contributions from the clubs and profits derived from the Bowl-A-Thon, the funds are allocated to the applicants based on the needs of the program. During the months of September and October, the clubs each distribute checks to the recipients. The intent of having the clubs do the distribution, as initiated in 2003, is that the members will have more direct contact with the agencies to which their resources are going.

The recipients of awards for 2005-2006 are among this counties finest and most dedicated organizations. Listed below are the agencies and the programs for which your clubs contributions and hard work are going to support:

- Children's Hope United** – \$1,000, Parent Support Group
- Big Brother/Big Sisters** – \$1,000, Abuse Prevention Materials for families
- Lake Co. Council Against Sexual Assault** – \$2,500, Child Assault Prevention Program
- Arden Shore** – \$2,000, Community Education Program
- The Family Circle** – \$1,000, Parent Drop-In and Educational Speakers
- Allendale Association** – \$2,500, Community Counseling to families
- The Catholic Charities** – \$2,000, Abuse prevention services to woman at Samaritan house
- Boys and Girls Club of Lake County** – \$1,000, Teen Reach Program
- CASA of Lake County** – \$2,000, Abuse Prevention
- Gurnee Park District** – \$1,000, Scholarships
- NICASA** – \$2,000, Abuse Prevention

I would particularly like to thank the Grant Review committee and their chairperson, Frank Sabor, for the excellent job they did this year. If you know of any organization not listed this year and would like to encourage them to apply in the future, please send me their information and an application will be sent to them.

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Finally, if you are interested in being involved in the Foundation, please talk to your club president or call me. We've restructured the Foundation to function much more efficiently and now meet only 5 times a year, over lunch at In-Laws.

If you wish to provide direct input, please communicate your ideas to your Foundation committee members or feel free to contact me at akrieger@warrentownship.net.

For the future, for the children, we appreciate your commitment.



Board Doings:

Here is a quick recap of Board actions during the September 6th meeting:

- Heard preliminary reports from:
 - Ribfest committee regarding '05 receipts in excess of \$40,000, net income over \$20,000. Final report will follow
 - Americanism committee on Gurnee Days Parade participation and flag distribution
 - 9/11 committee on schedule of events and speakers
 - Child Abuse Prevention committee on preliminary plans for October Internet Safety program
 - Board president on potential Field of Honor program for November or May scheduling
- Authorized Membership committee to finalize member privacy preferences to indicate no member objection to release of name and/or photo unless instructed otherwise
- Approved rescheduling of Night at the Races fun night if minimum attendance not met
- Accepted the following for membership: Jeff Carr, Jules Traut, Penny Dagley, Josette Griffith-Michaels; Mae Fleming for reinstatement
- Received resignation notices from Jack Emerick, Linda Brogren
- Approved August monthly Community Service, General Fund bills; authorized up to \$800 in expenses (to be split between BEC ad Noon Club) for File for Life program expenses
- Recognized Past-President's gift of \$500 to the American Syringomyelia Alliance Project (ASAP)
- Deferred final discussion on new Dues Policy until October meeting
- Authorized donation of:
 - \$200 to the American Syringomyelia Alliance Project (ASAP)
 - \$100 to Salvation Army for Hurricane Katrina relief

