



Change

President's Message

If it's February it must be Bowl-A-Thon month! Our annual Bowl-A-Thon will be held February 19th at Bertrand Lanes in Waukegan. Did you know that since its start back in 1996, the Bowl-A-Thon has generated over \$150,000 to service agencies throughout Gurnee, Warren Township, and Lake County that actively work for the Prevention of Child Abuse. Help make this year's event the best ever. We need bowlers, team sponsors, lane sponsors, and raffle item sponsors. Contact George Butler or Pat Gallagher for how you can help.

January's newsletter featured a President's challenge to identify all of the locations where we had a Freedom Shrine installed. As of the closing date for entries, I'm sorry to say we had zero entries. Either this means no one knows or, probably, no one reads this column! For the record, Shrines are located at:

Children's Advocacy Center
Great Lakes Recruiting Center
Gurnee Mills
Gurnee Park District – Aquatic Center
Gurnee Police Station
Gurnee Village Hall
O'Plaine School
Six Flags, Great America

Viking Middle School
Warren Newport Library
Warren Township H.S. – Almond Campus
Warren Township H.S. – O'Plaine Campus
Woodland Middle School
Woodland Elementary East, West

February will feature two excellent guest speakers, as well as our January "Student of the Month." On February 14th, we will recognize Ms. Maria Gencev as our January Student honoree and hear from Mr. Steve Robinson, President, Lake County Chamber of Commerce. On Tuesday, February 28, Mr. Mike Tully from the Lake County Forest Preserve District will address the club.

Our sister club in Round Lake is planning an exciting event to coincide with April as Prevention of Child Abuse Month. They will be sponsoring a two-hour training session for all childcare persons and interested community leaders (remember, as an Exchangite, you ARE a community leader) to alert them on how to recognize signs of abuse, whether physical, emotional or sexual. Instructors will include representatives from the U.S. States Attorney's Office, Lake County Sheriff's Office, and the Children's Advocacy Center. More information will follow next month.

Also a reminder that nominations are still being accepted to fill six vacancies for the 2006-2007 Board. The positions are for President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and three, two-year board members. Nominations will close the last membership meeting in February.

Yours in Exchange,
Bill Froese

**Breakfast
Exchange Club
of Gurnee**
Gurnee, Illinois



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Meetings
Second and Fourth
Tuesday of each
Month at 7:00 a.m.
at In-Laws Restaurant.

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Growing Our
FUTURE
Together



Field of Memories — Healing Field

The Breakfast Exchange Club is sponsoring a weeklong event to coincide with the Memorial Day holiday. This event will include a field of American flags displayed at Esper Peterson Park (corner of Grand and old Grand Avenue)*. Each flag will represent a lost loved one, neighbor, friend, co-worker, or veteran as noted by the flag's sponsor. Sponsors will be encouraged to display photos, mementos, and other accompaniments at the foot of their flags. Flags are available on a first-come basis and are yours to treasure upon the closing of the event. The price is \$25. Checks should be made out to GBEX and mailed to Gurnee Breakfast Exchange Club, P. O. Box 494, Gurnee, IL 60031, or dropped off at any Great Lakes Credit Union location. Please call Mary Caselli at 847-578-8877 with any questions or concerns.

Location, dates, and times are pending Gurnee Village Board approval.

Heroes of Freedom Memorial Park

Heroes Freedom Memorial Park located at 4500 Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, IL (site of the old police station) was established to honor the memory of the American service people who gave their lives in Iraq or Afghanistan. Funds are currently being raised to support this memorial with the sale of bricks. Each brick is imprinted with the name of a K.I.A. "Killed in Action" service man and will become part of a pathway leading to the memorial. The Heroes of Freedom has collaborated with the GBEX club and can now offer you a brick and a Field of Memory (Healing Field) flag for the price of \$100. Please contact Mary Caselli at 847-578-8877 with any questions.



Bowl-A-Thon

Brother and Sister Exchangites,

As you may know, our annual Bowl-A-Thon is coming up on Sunday, February 19, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It is being held at Bertrand Bowling Alley located across from the old St. Therese Hospital on Washington St. in Waukegan. I know this event has been a big success in the past and with a little work, we can make it even better. We need lane sponsors, raffle item sponsors, or bowling teams. Challenge your friends or fellow business owners to a little wager. Whoever gets the least from their raffle item buys the other dinner, or the winner in the bowling game gets a free dinner from loser, or better yet makes a donation for that amount to our event. You get the idea. Make it a fun day to help kids and charities that need our American style support!! Please contact George W. Butler or Pat Gallagher with your overwhelming support I know we will get. Remember, let's try and prevent as much child abuse as we can in any way we can. God bless America and God bless you.

Sincerely,

George W. Butler

Day cell 847-445-6609 * Evening home 847-263-3636 * Email gwb663@sbcglobal.net

Help Wanted:

- Member(s) to help with distributing email and fax alerts
- Club members who would be interested in working on the Healing Field committee
- Interested members who want to help out on the *Salad in the Park* committee (May 9)

Contact Bill Froese to "exchange" ideas on any of these opportunities.

Mystery Member

Our February Mystery Member set two pole vaulting records while in High School. His/her first job experience was at Jewel Foods, and then onto 7-up, Coke, and 38 years at Natural Gas Company. He/she enjoys the Discovery Channel and sporting events. This member has been married for 42 years and first met their spouse on a double date. He/she has two daughters, one son, six grandchildren and one on the way! He/she is a scratch golfer and has a passion for antique cars. In fact, this member is the President of the Chain O Lakes Model A Club and is the owner of two antique autos. He/she would love to share a 1,600 mile long trip in his/her Model A Ford with interested fellows.

Marge Keenan-Denniston

January Mystery Member Answer!

Mystery Member for January was **Kaylne Boyles!**

Birthdays

February

- William Denniston – 2/27
- William M. Froese – 2/10
- Douglas R. Groat – 2/26
- Barry Henby – 2/10
- Brad Jenks – 2/4
- Laura Notson – 2/6
- Chris Shaw – 2/28





*Guest Speaker
Judge John Phillips
explained the new drug
rehabilitation program
now in place through
the Drug Court System.*

Board Doings:

Here is a quick recap of Board actions during the January 3 meeting:

- Approved expenses of \$1,225.11 from Community Service (primarily Freedom Shrine, Youth of Month and Holiday Train (N. Ill Food Pantry) donations/expenses) and \$218 from General Fund (Mailbox rental, storage locker rental and District meeting)
- Accepted the following as new members: Joy Swoboda, Kirk Morris, Bill Deniston, Ward Miller, Marian Bradshaw
- Scheduled tentative installation of new member for Tuesday, January 24
- Approved formation of a Major Donor committee to prepare club background presentation for use in soliciting major (in excess of \$1000) annual donor contributions. Dan Klockowski to chair
- Approved donations to the following organizations: Help Them to Hope (News Sun) Annual Campaign (\$250)

Your 2005-2006 Board Members

Your Board is here to serve you. If you have a question, comment or need some information on a program of service or general club information, please contact the appropriate Board member:

President: Bill Froese

President-Elect: Mike Oster

Immediate Past President: Pat Gallagher

Secretary: Kalyne Boyles

Treasurer: Michelle Fairbanks

Board Members

Americanism: Glen Ryback (Class of '07)

Club Activities: Roberta Pfeiffer (Class of '06)

Community Service: Mary Jo Kollross (Class of '06)

Ray Smith (Class of '07)

**Prevention
of Child Abuse:**

Gayle Neumann
(Class of '06)

Youth Activities: Hanna Blockinger
(Class of '07)

Party with the Puppies



Please join us on Saturday, April 22, 2006, 6:00 p.m. at the Dairyland Greyhound Park, Kenosha, WI. The evening will include private skybox, buffet dinner, free admission, parking, mutual teller and bartender, program, race dedication, and lots of fun with your Exchange friends. The cost is \$24 per person (cash bar). Space is limited. For reservations, please call Roberta Pfeiffer at 847-680-0331, by April 11, 2006.

2006-2007 Board Now Forming — Call for Nominations

The Nominating Committee is accepting recommendations for our 2006-2007 Board. The following positions will need to be filled:

- President-elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Board (three positions)

If you would like to step forward or offer the name of a fellow Exchangite, please contact Bill Froese, Mike Oster or Pat Gallagher or use the Nominating Form (below) and mail to the Exchange mailbox (P.O. Box 494, Gurnee, IL 60031).

The Breakfast Exchange Club of Gurnee Nominations

President-Elect
(One) _____

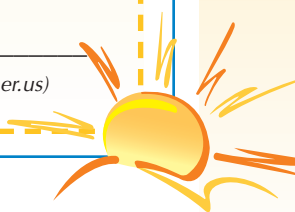
Treasurer
(One) _____

Secretary
(One) _____

Board Members
(Three) _____

Foundation Seat
(One) _____

Fergal P.J. Gallagher, Past President (fergal@gallagher.us)



We wish to thank the following for their generous support of time, talent and resources in helping the Breakfast Exchange Club in the prevention of child abuse and support of other children and family services throughout Gurnee and Lake County

Major Sponsors for 2005-2006

Member
 Marian Bradshaw
 George Butler
 Jeff Carr
 Marge Keenan-Denniston
 Penny Dagley
 Gayle Neumann
 Bill Denniston
 Josette Griffith
 Kirk Morris
 Marge Keenan-Denniston
 Mike Oster
 Tiffany Patterson
 Joy Swoboda

Sponsor
 Kalyne Boyles
 Dorothy Desmond
 Marge Keenan-Denniston
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 Induction of new members by
 Marge Keenan-Denniston and
 Fergal Patrick Gallagher



**Congratulations
 to our New Members
 and Their Sponsors!**



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 Gurnee, IL 60031

2005-2006 Officers

Bill Froese
President
 Mike Oster
President Elect

Kalyne Boyles
Secretary
 Michelle Fairbanks
Treasurer
 Fergal "Pat" Gallagher
Immediate Past President

News



February 7, 2006. Board Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

February 14, 2006. HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
Membership Meeting In-Laws Restaurant
 (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue) Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.
 Guest Speaker, Steve Robinson, President
 Lake County Chamber of Commerce.

February 19, 2006. BOWL-A-THON Bertrand Lanes 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

February 28, 2006. Membership Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m. Guest Speaker, Mike Tulley,
 Lake County Forest Preserve. Close of nominations
 for 2006-2007 Board positions.

March 7, 2006. Board Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

March 14, 2006. Membership Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m. Guest Speaker, Mayor Krysti
 Korvarik (tentative) – Election of 2006-2007 board
 candidates (tentative)

March 28, 2006. Membership Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

April 4, 2006. Board Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

April 11, 2006. Membership Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

April 22, 2006. "Party with the Puppies"
 Dairyland Greyhound Park, Kenosha, WI
 6:00 p.m.

April 25, 2006. Membership Meeting
In-Laws Restaurant (Rt. 21 and Grand Avenue)
 Gurnee, IL 7:00 a.m.

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

Flash

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