



Last week's Youth of the Year Candidates

Youth of the Month/Year

The Exchange Club of Springfield has once again begun the search for the area's Youth of the Year. Students from the local high schools and vocational school are even now vying for that coveted title. We will complete the student visits this month and select a winner for the 2016 Student of the Year. We will provide a \$1,000 college scholarship to the chosen one. This year's essay

topic is, ***"Responsible Citizenship for a Strong America."***

We have had only one "Snowout" so far this year, so keep your fingers crossed!

Thanks are in order to Chairman Steve Klipfel and his Co-Chair, Jerry Sewell, for their efforts. Be sure to participate in the selection process for the Springfield/Clark County Youth of the Year. On to the District!

National Community Service Month

February is National Community Service Month. Of course, for the Exchange Club of Springfield, every month is filled with Community Service. These projects demonstrate our contribution and thanks for all the blessings we have received and vary from the Adopt-A-Highway Project, to donations to Special Wish, Project Woman, WellSpring, Community Soup Kitchen, Pregnancy Resource Center,

Shriner's Hospital Burn Center, Cancer Relay for Life, and Springfield Art Center.

We are always seeking additional opportunities to serve Springfield and Clark County. Do you have a passion for an organization or group that you would like to share with your fellow Exchangites?

Coming events –

- Youth of the Year
- Proudly We Hail
- New Member Induction Ceremony



Did you know...?

As a patriotic gesture in response to a directive issued by the Office of Defense Transportation, Washington DC, the 1942 National Convention of the Exchange Club was postponed indefinitely. Exchange did its part to win the war, in "Unity for Service."



Exchange Club of Springfield Board of Directors

Board Meeting

At the most recent Club Board of Director's meeting, President Hutchins presided and reminded us that our Exchange Year is half over. We have completed 14 Projects this year and are in the process of completing two more. The President expressed concern that some Committees have not been meeting and urges them to "get going".

President Hutchins reminded us that our macro goal is to once again earn the "Big E" Award this year. One of the hurdles remaining is Membership

Growth. At press time, our club has added two, but lost two members this year. Invite a prospective new member to an upcoming lunch or dinner meeting! At the Foundation Board Meeting, President Sewell reviewed the Budget passed in October. A report from our financial advisors at Baker-Krizner at a recent lunch membership meeting was discussed at length. They predict 2016 will be much like 2015, somewhat volatile and susceptible to national and international situations. The membership can be sure that the Foundation Board will monitor the situation and respond accordingly.

Servant Leadership

Servant leadership is both a leadership philosophy and set of leadership practices. Traditional leadership generally involves the accumulation and exercise of power by one at the "top of the pyramid." By comparison, the servant-leader shares power, puts the needs of others first and helps people develop and perform as highly as possible. While servant leadership is a timeless concept, the phrase "servant leadership" was coined by Robert K. Greenleaf in "The Servant as Leader", an essay that he first published in 1970. In that essay, Greenleaf says.

"The servant-leader is servant first... It begins with the natural feeling that one wants to serve, to serve first. Then conscious choice brings one to aspire to lead. That person is sharply different from one who is leader first, perhaps because of the need to assuage an unusual power drive or to acquire material possessions...



**2015-2016 National Convention will be in
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Great quote:

“You are never too old to
set another goal or to
dream a new dream.”

- C. S. Lewis

February Meetings

February 2, 2016 – Youths of the Month

**February 9, 2016 – Evening Meeting –Springfield HS Mock
Trial Team**

February 16, 2016 – TBA

February 23, 2016 – Youth of the Year Selection/Voting

Meetings at Noon 1st, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays, Linardos Villa.

Evening Meeting 2nd Tuesday Monthly at Linardos Villa.

“Unity for Service”

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