



Adopt-A-Military Family Project

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The Exchange Club of Springfield provided some Christmas magic for three families of our local National Guard units. This project, now in its sixth year, is the club's effort to show how much we appreciate those who serve our nation in the military.

One family is chosen in conjunction with the Red Cross and each unit's Headquarters. Very often, it is a

financial hardship for the guardsmen when called up for duty overseas. One family adopted a child when a guard member could no longer care for the child. We hope they all know that while they guard us and protect us, we shall return the favor on the home front. Another family told us their children would have had no Christmas without our support.

Proudly We Hail

No symbol better signifies our nation's greatness than our American flag—the Stars and Stripes. The Proudly We Hail program encourages regular display of the flag by individuals, commercial establishments and industries. To honor them a specially designed plaque is presented at a club meeting. Every club member can participate in the program because it is the individual member

who watches for and nominates potential recipients. This outstanding program promotes Americanism as well as community recognition by the sponsoring Exchange Club.

We are now accepting nominations for a Large Business, a Small Business, and an Individual to honor, so keep your eyes peeled for those who fly our nation's flag daily, and properly!

Coming events –

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



Did you know...?

In the years 2004 – 2015, National Exchange devoted more than \$217,000 in college scholarships to students from various regions and demographics. Every year, an additional \$20,000 is added to that total.

Project Jericho

On December, 1st 2015 we welcomed Jeff Hawes and Joe Hunter from Project Jericho – Juvenile Court.

They related how circumstances seemed to lead them to this time, place, and project. The Lord works in mysterious ways.

Project Jericho youth created powerful, original songs with nationally renowned guitar virtuoso Michael Kelsey. These youth will LIFT you up with their musical message of gratitude, hope, and perseverance

They shared with us on their visit how rewarding their progress has been with many of the youths who have been in their program and benefited from the exposure to art, literature, music, and the like.

We appreciate how these gentlemen work to find innovative ways to create lines of communication with their charges, while presenting role models to the kids who have, through no fault of their own, not received the attention, discipline, and encouragement necessary to form a good self worth and moral compass.



President Hutchins presents Jeff Hawes and Director Joe Hunter from Project Jericho a donation of \$1,000

Exchange Birthday

The Exchange Club of Springfield Club celebrated not only the spirit of Christmas, but also the club's 94th Birthday on December 15th at the Springfield Country Club.

The club enjoyed not only the camaraderie of a great group of Exchangites, but an outstanding meal as well

Desert was provided in the form of a large cake, saluting the 94 years of service to Springfield and Clark County through programs dedicated to Youth, Americanism, Community Service and Child Abuse Prevention.

Entertainment was provided by the Global Impact STEM Academy String Orchestra providing a number of Christmas selections that were very well received. A good time was had by all. A toast was proposed to honor our member of fifty years and friend, Jonathon Holland, who passed this year.



Christmas 2015 and Springfield Exchange's 94th Birthday

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Great quote:

“The greatest way to live with honor in this world is to be what we pretend to be.”

- Socrates

January Meetings

January 5, 2016 – Andy Barlow & Eric Powell- Baker, Krizner
Discuss our Foundation Investment Strategy

January 12, 2016 – Youth of the Month

January 19, 2016 – Youth of the Month

January 26, 2016 – Youth of the Month

All Meetings at Noon, Linardos Villa.

No Evening Meeting in January

“Unity for Service”

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