

Exchange Chatter December 2025



Exchange Welcomes Project Woman Director!



The Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio met Tuesday, October 28, 2025, 6 PM, at Wittenberg's Shoulin Center, for its regularly scheduled evening meeting, with 15 members and one guest present. Guest Speaker was Emily Kulow, Executive Director of Project Woman. Emily shared her wide experience in the industry, beginning in the northeast, then to Columbus, and finally to Springfield. She stated the

cooperation and collaboration from and with local organizations and within Project Woman has been outstanding. Domestic Violence, Emily reported, has significantly increased in the last five years, a very troubling statistic. Director Kulow accepted a \$1,000 Foundation donation from Jackie Downing, club board member.

Homes for Heroes Fundraiser

The Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio held its third annual Homes for Heroes Fundraiser, in conjunction with the Tunnel to Towers Foundation Tuesday, November 11th, 2025, at participating local shops and restaurants. There are some 30,000 homeless veterans and their families across the country, with several of them in Clark County. The little houses raised over \$116.00 this year in only one day.

Coming Events -

- Giving Tuesday
- Season of Giving
- Red Kettle Project
- Christmas/Club Anniversary Party



Homes for Heroes with Tunnel to Towers

National Day of Service!

National Day of Service – Saturday, October 25th, 2025 – Tuttle Road cleanup. Twelve hearty members of the Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio braved the chilly temp and met at 9 AM to sweep the grounds clean, collecting 7 bags of litter. Many thanks to Carin, Scott, Jill, Mark S, Karen H. Dave, Karen L., Larry, Skip, Tim, Mark L, and to Chair Andy Kittles. The group then slaked their thirst and assuaged their hunger at the local Frisch’s restaurant. Unity for Service!



Exchange Welcomes Springfield Promise Neighborhood!

The Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio met Tuesday, November 11, 2025, with 13 members present. Guest Speaker was Wayne Myers, Springfield Promise Neighborhood. Wayne spoke about the many programs and services offered, such as:

Youth – in Springfield need safe places to learn and play. They offer many programs throughout the school year and summer.

Community partnerships – are essential in mid-size legacy cities like Springfield. Springfield Promise Neighborhood was founded as a collaborative dream between multiple institutions, with the common goal of supporting Springfield’s most vulnerable children and families.

Healthy families – children need healthy and supportive families to be successful. In partnership with many organizations, we offer programs, educational sessions, and events for families throughout the year.

Healthy food – good food and getting physical exercise are essential for our health. Communities need local gathering places where parents can meet other parents and children can play together. All these projects seem to align quite well with our mission.



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Great Quote –

**“A room without books is like a
body without a soul.”**

- Marcus Tullius Cicero

December Events

**December 2nd, 2025 – Giving Tuesday at Second
Harvest Food Bank 3 PM**

**December 5th, 2025 – Season of Giving Salvation
Army Luncheon – Downtown Marriott- 1130 AM**

**December 9th, 2025 – Member Meeting – Noon –
Adopt-A-Military Family Project – Benham-Pence
Student Center Alumni Room**

**December 13th, 2025 – Red Kettle Bell Ringing –
Kroger East Main Street – 11 AM – 7 PM**

**December 16th, 2025 – Christmas/Club
Anniversary Party – Sauter Residence – 6 PM**

**December 23rd, 2025 – No Member Meeting due
to the Christmas Holiday – Merry Christmas!**

“Unity for Service!”

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