

# Exchange Chatter March 2026



## Youths of the Month!



The Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio welcomed four students of the month and their counselors Tuesday. Youth Chair Karen introduced Justina Welch representing Springfield Career Technology Center and Counselor Michael Rice, Tori Schlueter representing Emanuel Christian Academy and Counselor Alicia Kidder, Sara Kottmyer representing Tecumseh and Counselor Kristie Talley, and Sophia

Ripley representing Northeastern and Counselor Shawn Adkins. Each student of the month received a \$100 stipend and Certificate and the opportunity to enter the Youth of the Year contest and win a \$1,000 college scholarship, 1st Runner-up will win a \$750 college scholarship, and the 2nd Runner-up will win a \$500 college scholarship.

## Exchange and Scouting; A Great Combo!

Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio members Melissa, Dave, Scott, Skip, and Don, presented a \$1,000 Foundation donation to Business Member Scout leadership Rob and Matt, at the 2026 Friends of Scouting event, Hollenbeck Bayley Center. Keynote address speaker Jo Ann Blondin, former Clark State College President, provided a great framework for understanding the lifetime benefits that Scouting and education has on the youth of our country.

## Coming Events -

- Happy St. Patrick's Day
- Youth of the Year and A.C.E. Banquet
- Happy NEC 115<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary!

*We do it all  
together,  
in Unity for  
Service.*



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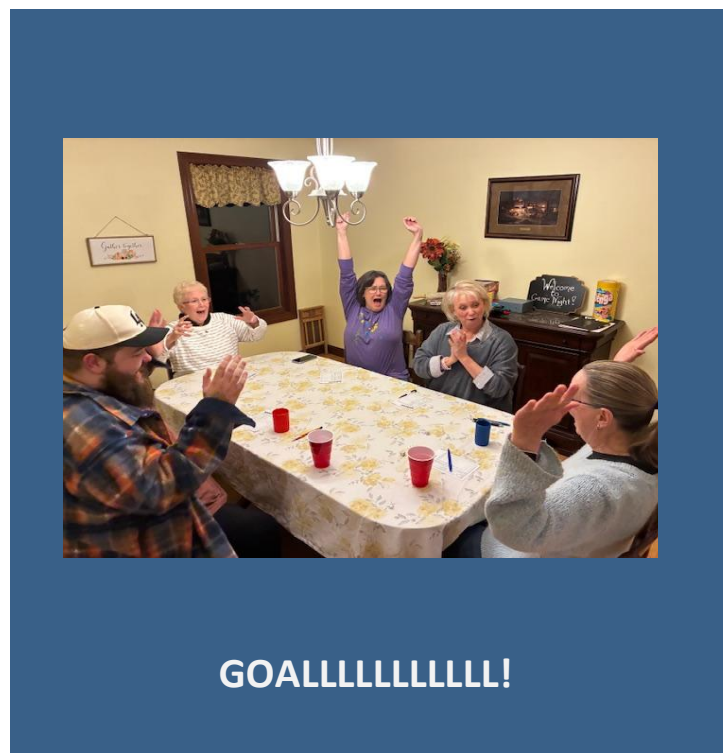
## **Youths of the Month Part Two!**

The Exchange Club of Springfield, Ohio met Tuesday, February 10th in Wittenberg University's Benham-Pence Student Center Alumni Room. Youth Chair Karen Sullivan presented six high school seniors and their Counselors: Youths of the Month Jackson DeWitt representing Global Impact STEM Academy, Iris Raffensberger representing Springfield HS, Alyssa Ekey representing Shawnee, Hannah O'Laughlin representing Southeastern, Andrew Grieser representing Northwestern, and Mila Trulock from Kenton Ridge. Each senior student received a \$100 stipend and Youth of the Month certificate and will be eligible for the Youth of the Year contest. Good luck to all the contestants!



## **Fellowship and Fun!**

Fun and Fellowship night for the Springfield Club. The dreariness of February in Ohio has led the club to hold a fun night for members and potential new members on the third Tuesday of that wretched month each year. It appears that the United States won a Gold Medal, someone won a drinking contest, or perhaps it was the YAHTZEE! call. Great fun. That's us, "Having Fun, Doin' Good!!"



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## Great Quote –

*“To succeed in life, one needs a Wishbone, a Backbone, and a Funny Bone.”*

- *Reba McEntire*

## March Events

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Member Meeting – 6 PM – CC  
Public Library Park Shopping Center Branch

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – YoY/ACE Banquet – 6 PM - 105  
Shouvlin Center

March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Member Meeting – 6 PM –  
Benham-Pence Student Center Alumni Room

March 27, 2026 – National Exchange Club 115<sup>th</sup>  
Charter Anniversary – 6 PM Fun/Fellowship - TBD

### District Connection

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