



Getting to Know our Members....



Gary Hoffman

Basically, I joined the Exchange Club to help people. Whether if that is an individual or a family I am here to help. Individuals move boulders, organizations move mountains.

I am a strong leader and very organized. Self-motivated and lead by example. Throughout my career at Dominick’s and Home Depot I established myself as the “go to person to get projects done”. I have always surrounded myself with good people. Number 1 key in business.

The number 1 person in my life is my wife Sharon. Married for 20 years. I have 2 children from my first marriage. Justin is 39 and Lisa is 35. Justin has given Sharon and I a cute grandson Lucas, going on 4 years old. Hopefully, my daughter will be engaged soon.

My wife and I are huge football fans. My wife and I go out for dinner as often as possible. A nice perk when your retired. We also enjoy traveling. We are both involved in various organizations. We are both social butterflies. We are blessed with a ton of friends.

The pandemic has changed a lot of things, however unlike some people we still try to be as normal as possible. You must be careful; however, you don’t have to be a prisoner of this pandemic. I have learned to appreciate what we have and motivates my wife and I to help people less fortunate.

Board Update

The Board of Directors met on November 12th via Zoom. Highlights from the meeting:

- Jaime Olson was appointed as Treasurer. Maripat & Paul Oliver were both appointed to fill the open Board positions – Welcome to all!
- Our club is partnering with Naperville to build a club in Wheaton. If you are interested in helping, please let Christine Mayer know.
- Welcome new member Reem Townsend.

Vision

A strong America, safe communities, and unified people

Mission

Exchange, inspiring communities to become better places to live.

Motto

Unity for Service

2020-2021 Officers

Jim Fink
Christine Mayer
Jaime Olson
Lori Fink
Bill Mayer

Board Members

Ken Burgess
Petra Burgess
Bob Jaskiewicz
Debi Savage
Maripat Oliver
Paul Oliver

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Exchange at Work

Youth of the Month was awarded to Megan Maloney from Plainfield East HS! She was on our general zoom meeting and shared with our group that she will be attending college for Physical Therapy. Congrats!



The board donated Jewel gift cards to DuPage Township Food Pantry to help offset their cost of holiday pies to be distributed during their annual Thanksgiving meal baskets on Tuesday November 24th.

Child Abuse Prevention Committee's Fundraiser has been a huge success. Thank you to all that have participated – keep inviting your friends.

Exchange Previews

December Community Service Project –

Meadowbrook Manor in Bolingbrook residents need our help! The seniors are bored to tears and so limited in what they can do. Let's collect all we can to give as many residents as possible a Merry Christmas that's lasting.

They have a traveling movie cart with a large projector, so they need DVD movies of all kind for the seniors to enjoy. The seniors most need things to keep them busy but everything is per person since no sharing unless it can be cleaned with bleach. Here are some ideas:

- Little handheld games such as Yahtzee, Poker, BlackJack, Slots, Bingo (in their original packaging)
- Adult coloring books and individual sets of crayons or colored pencils
- Greeting cards to write to family
- Puzzles
- Large print word search and crossword puzzle books
- Large print books
- Craft things to make ornaments or other crafts (packaged for each individual)
- New Dolls or Stuffed Animals for the dementia residents to "adopt and care for"
- Adult Memory boards for dementia residents
- Stress balls or putty for tactile stimulation for dementia residents

Items can be dropped off at Debi's home on east side at 522 Castle Court or Christine's home on the west side of Bolingbrook at 721 Lenox Ave. If needed, we can pick up your donations. We would like to deliver to Meadowbrook Manor by 12/21 so we will need donated items by 12/20. Debi can be reached by text/call at 847-877-7722 and Christine by text/call at 630-546-6855.



Prevention of Child Abuse
Chair: Petra Burgess

Community Service
Chair: Debi Savage
Dec 2 at 6pm via Zoom

Youth
Chair: Christine Mayer
Dec 16 at 6pm via Zoom

Americanism
Chair: Ken Burgess

Program Planning
Chair: Bill Mayer
Text ideas to
630-673-5522

Public Relations
Chair: Open

Board Meeting
Dec 10 at 6pm via Zoom

General Meeting
Dec 17 at 6:00pm via Zoom

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Exchange Club of North Will County **Flash Fundraising Event**

BENEFITING CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

Right in time for the holidays, claim a spot for the chance to win amazing prizes at a fraction of their cost! This is a limited time raffle event meant to support the Exchange Club of North Will County's Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) program.

The Exchange Club of North Will County's mission to stop child abuse & end family violence would not be possible without you! Like our Facebook page @exchangenorthwillcounty to learn more about Exchange Club of North Will County.

www.facebook.com/groups/exchangeclubcapflashfundraiser/

