

New England Exchangite

January 2015



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Bob Harb Receives The Ultimate Honor In Exchange

"Buffalo" Bob Harb, past president of both, the Plaistow, NH and Haverhill, MA Exchange Clubs and 1999-2000 National Exchange Club President, was honored at the 2014 Court of Honor Induction Ceremony, held at the National Exchange Club Headquarters, Toledo, Ohio on October 18th, 2014. The Court of Honor is the highest and most lasting recognition of dedication to the ideal of "Unity for Service." It was established as a way to honor and pay tribute to Exchange Club members who have shown outstanding commitment to the ideas and mission of The National Exchange Club.

(Above, thanks to Larry Kennedy and Carriage Towne News)



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Robert D. "Buffalo Bob" Harb's accomplishments include:

- Exchange Club member since 1985
- Member, Exchange Clubs of Haverhill, MA, and Plaistow, NH
- National President, 1999-2000
- National Board member, 1994-2001
- Served in many offices at club and District levels
- National Exchange Club Foundation President, 2000-2001
- Volunteer Field Representative since 2003
- Awarded Volunteer Field Representative of the Year, 2005-2006
- Helped build four new Exchange Clubs
- Sponsored 25 new Exchangites

The Court of Honor, framed by the three wings of the National Headquarters building, was established

Ken Leone "The Koala"
N.E. District President
2014 - 2015



2014-2015 National Theme:
"Investigate the Possibilities!"

Investigate how you can even better serve your community. Investigate power in numbers – continued growth means more opportunities to serve America's communities!

**Next
Exchangite
Deadline
Mar. 7th**

If your club is not represented in this issue, it's because we haven't received any photos, captions, stories or flyers from your club!

**Send your news items to
info@NEDistrictExchange.com**

**Youth of the Year and A.C.E.
Submission Deadline is April 1st**

Y.O.Y. Form is pages 14 - 17

**Youth of the Year
Chairperson
Linda Buell**

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A.C.E. Form is pages 18 & 19

**ACE of the Year
Chairperson
Jeff Richard**

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Submit forms by to committee chairs

Message from The Koala



Happy belated Holidays to all of my fellow Exchangites.

Hate to use the old line but it is hard to believe that our year is half over. You have accomplished a lot but there is always so much more that can be done. New members, new Clubs (both traditional and Excel), new ways to serve the community, new opportunities to let people know what Exchange is all about.

I have not been able to visit all of the Clubs yet, but I will get there. Please, please make sure that your Club is reporting all of your Programs of Service to National. Keep

sending stuff to me and to Editor in Chief Doug Seed. If you haven't seen your Division Director in a while invite him/her to a meeting or function. If you need help with anything just reach out...we'll be there!

District President-Elect Terry Rivard and I will be attending the National Mid-Winter Conference in Ohio for training, education and an assessment of our District. It will be a pleasure to once again tell them that the New England District is vibrant and active.

Thanks for all that you do!

Koala Ken Leone

New England District President, 2014 - 2015

**Save the
Date!**

Spring Convention
May 1, 2 & 3, 2015
Red Jacket Resort • No. Conway, NH

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in 1957 in tribute to the great men and women of Exchange. The majestic statue, "Birth of the Atomic Age," created by the renowned sculptor Marshall Fredericks, stands in a reflecting pool with fountains. Seven large granite pylons display the inscribed names of inductees.

There are more than 90 names inscribed on the Court of Honor pylons, including Charles Berkey, the founder of Exchange; Dr. Edward R. North, Jr., founder of the National Exchange Club Foundation for the Prevention of Child Abuse; Thomas L. Bailey, author of the Covenant of Service; and Herold M. Harter, who served as Exchange's national secretary for 44 years.

Cover photo and story reprinted from National Exchange Club's *Exchange Today* magazine



2014 Court of Honor Inductees:
Robert Davidson, S. Kim Hodges, Margie Miller,
Lou Molitor and Robert Harb.

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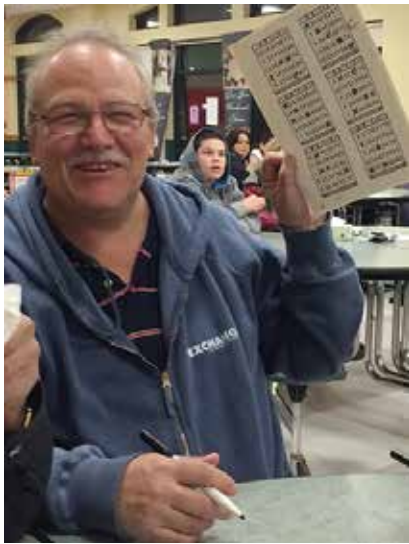
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Wetherbee Excel Club Tidbits

The Wetherbee Jr. EXCEL Club ran a BINGO fundraiser on Friday, Nov. 7 to benefit "Kelvin's Club" to help a Lawrence family who lost two little boys in a fire, along with everything else. they had.



Lawrence Exchange Club members attended the Wetherbee bingo fundraiser. Bruce Baril was the first to yell BINGO!

Wetherbee students also visited the Lawrence Exchange Club's meeting to tell about their "Kelvin's Club" fundraisers.



The kids filled the room with such emotion, singing songs and rousing the crowd, that they raised \$158 just passing a hat around the room.

The Excel Club members are planning to create informational signs and benches along the river walk.



Breakfast Exchange Club of Greater Haverhill Tidbits



Breakfast Exchange Club of Greater Haverhill's **fund-raiser poinsettias** graced the altar of United Riverside Church in Lawrence, MA for the Christmas season. (Photo by Lucinda Nolet, club secretary). The club thanks all who purchased poinsettias helping us to provide heating assistance to the elderly.



Members filled 10 **Thanksgiving bags for Seniors as Caregivers**. L to R: Nancy Thornton, Diane Galvin, Monica Corcoran, Agnes Leonard, Jaclyn Wasmer, Celeste Begley, Charlie Manzi, Corrine Corso, Lucinda Nolet, Jennifer Orlando.



Anchor of Hope Diaper Bank is hosting another **Pancake Breakfast** on January 24th (see the flyer on page 11 for details). All proceeds will go towards diapers for families in need, free of charge. This is a fun opportunity to give and get. An Amazon Kindle Fire tablet will be raffled at the Jan. 24th event! The Breakfast Haverhill club also sponsored a a previous diaper drive on December 6th.

(See flyer on page 13)

November 19, Haverhill Breakfast Exchange completed the **rededication of the Freedom Shrine** in Haverhill City Hall.



The Haverhill Gazette ran a great article and editorial to cover this event. The Freedom Shrine sponsor is Pentucket Bank located in Haverhill.



Club President, Celeste Begley delivered a case of rubber gloves to Community Meals Director John Herook at the Citizens Center in Haverhill.

✓ November 12th Resource Fair

Needham Tidbits

National Day of Service

What a great turnout for the **National Day of Service** this past Saturday at Claxton Field Tot Lot. We had over 20% of the Club membership volunteer as well as four Park and Forestry employees who significant participants.



Those who took part in the work were:

Jo-Ann Burnett, Cindy Chaston, Greta & Jon Davis, Bill & Cathy Dermody, Bill Fidurko, Denise Garlick, Moe Handel, Tom Harkins, Sam Hart, Jerry Kidman, Rich Lawless, Ann McFate, Mark McDonough, Bob Parks, Peter Roggeveen, Steve Rosenstock, Steve Sauter, Myron Seiden, Roland Stern, Dennis Sullivan & his son Will, Bill Tilburg, John Timmerman, and from the Park & Forestry Department, John Boyle, Zack Duffield, Doug Mangine and Dave Vanini. Many, many thanks for you help!



The town employees had cleared all the leaves from the area prior to arrival of the Exchange members. We then reestablished the boundaries around the Jumping Stools and Stationary Bicycle, spread 8 cubic yards of safety wood chips under and around the four play structures and rebuilt the stone dust path to and from the Climbing Structure.

In addition, the park bench wood components were replaced, the Climbing Structure and its safety pad were given a thorough cleaning, and the Turtle Sand Box was cleared of leaves.

Citrus Sale

Each year, the Needham Exchange Club plans, promotes and conducts a **Holiday Citrus Sale** fundraiser to support the club's projects. This year the

fruit arrived on Friday morning, December 6 at 6am and was distributed on December 7.



Gifts for Kids



The Needham Club collected holiday gifts for children in need. The gifts were then given to the Needham Community Council and the Walker Home and School.

Methuen Tidbits

November 18, 2014- The Methuen Exchange Club's Annual Recognition Dinner and Awards program was held on Tuesday November 18th at the Merrimack Valley Golf Club.

Firefighters Adam Suliveras and Jesse Kattar were named **Firefighters of the Year**. They were recognized for their actions and going above and beyond the call of duty during an incident at a local restaurant involving a woman who was a choking victim.



Police Officer Joseph L. Rynne Jr was recognized as the **Police Officer of the Year** for his actions as a first responder during an incident at a restaurant involving the choking victim.

The **Book of Golden Deeds** award was presented to Judith Scannell who is currently the Superintendent of schools in Methuen.

Honored Methuen resident Joseph Sterner with the resident **Proudly We Hail** award for properly and regularly flying the American flag in front of the fire station on the corner of Hampstead and Howe St. Mr. Sterner bought the flag pole, flag and paid to have it installed along with landscaping the island himself.

DeLucca Fence Company Inc. was also awarded the **Proudly We Hail** award for flying the American flag properly and regularly in front of their business located at 5 Old Ferry Road in Methuen.

✓ November 25, 2014- The members of the Methuen Exchange Club assembled and distributed **Thanksgiving Baskets** which consists of a turkey with all of the fixings for 12 families in the Methuen Arlington neighborhood. This year Mike Pollard from the Pollard Funeral Home donated 5 Turkeys for the Thanksgiving.

✓ October 25, 2014- The **Methuen Family Fall Festival** was held at Greycourt Park. The club sponsored the event by providing hot dogs, beverages and dessert. Club members prepared and distributed the food to those in attendance.

✓ November 13, 2014- Methuen Exchange Club members assembled a tree for the **Methuen Festival of Trees**. Our club is one of the Festival's founding participants as we have donated a tree every year since the Festival's inception. The theme was "*Christmas is cooking*".

✓ October 21, 2014- The **Arthur Hutton Memorial Family Fun Night** was held at Jay Gee's Ice Cream and Family Fun Center.

✓ November 3, 2014- **The dedication of the Freedom Shrine** at the Methuen YMCA.

✓ August 23, 2014- The club sponsored the M.A.N. Inc. **Back to School Project** which is organized by the First Church Congregational Church.

Lawrence Tidbits



Students of the Month: Lawrence celebrated Wetherbee school students Vidalyz Delacruz, Adrianna McClintock and Benjamin Mac, as Students of the Month for November and December. The announcements were made by the president and vice president of the EXCEL Club.

- ✓ Club members helped feed both Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner to the kids at the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club.



Give a kid a flag to Wave on 11/12 at the Thompson School in North Andover. Great event where we pass out flags to students as they honor Veteran's. It is quiet a sight to see the gym full of kids waving flags honoring our Vets.



- ✓ **Latin Dancing Social** once a month, starting soon. Come and take a lesson and dance away your stress!
- ✓ **Glo-Ball night golf** tournament at Murphy's Garrison Golf in Haverhill was a fun time and financial success on Sept. 26th.
- ✓ **Fire Safety Day** at the Central Fire Station on Lowell Street on Saturday, October 4th.



Faith Walsh, of Enterprise Bank was the lucky winner of the **\$1,000 worth of scratch tickets**...luck walked away with the fistful of tickets.

Lawrence held their **Exchange Information Night** at Jaime's in North Andover. "We got a nice crowd with a handful of prospective members. We even inducted a new member!! This fine gentleman was doubly sponsored by Larry Yameen and Christine Santacroce, so you know he must be quality. A big welcome to Ron Santacroce, joining our ranks."

The Information Night consisted of Paul Morton talking about the Aviation Program, the Larrys talking about community service and scholarships and Bob Wescott giving some history of Exchange. The food and location were terrific and a great time was had by all.

New member, Ron Santacroce, arranged for the Lawrence High School Girls' Ensemble to visit and perform at two local nursing homes during the holidays.



In addition to their fabulous singing, and without being asked, they took it upon themselves to serve refreshments and chat with each of the residents. It was an awesome sight! The respectful demeanor of the girls warmed the hearts of everyone, and the girls have been invited back to perform a springtime show!!



It was a fantastic day for the Ensemble and residents.

Dan Murphy and Dave Ferguson were coaches at **Play & Read** this year. Kids were given a reading list that is a half grade higher than their current level, challenging them to read more difficult books and develop stronger reading skills and develop a larger vocabulary. Meeting twice-a-week for four weeks, the kids warm up running laps, stretching, doing calisthenics, strength exercises, and developing hockey skills. After warm-up and a run, the kids play indoor street hockey.



Plaistow, NH Tidbits



Plaistow XC participated in the **Plaistow Festival of Trees** held at City Hall to raise money for projects in Plaistow.



New Plaistow member, Carla Moro (center) being awarded her membership certificate by Club President Sam Cafiso and Cindy Harb who is a past Plaistow club president, past N.E. District president and now, National Exchange Club Region 12 Vice President.



Past National Presidents Sid Mobley and Bob Harb, with Tracey Edwards at national convention in Detroit.

National Day of Service

Plaistow XC Members **delivered mums to Plaistow senior citizen complex**. This marks the 8th year of this program in Plaistow.

At right: Val Haggett (Club Treasurer), Sam Cafiso (President) Cindy Harb (member and Region12 Vice President) and Buffalo Bob Harb (member and Past National Exchange Club President).

Photo courtesy of Diane Cafiso, Club Secretary



Greater Gardner Tidbits



Claude Marchegiani, 98, of the Exchange Club of Greater Gardner was honored as the last surviving member of the **undefeated 1932 Athol High School football team**. Claude was inducted into the AHS Sports Hall of Fame on Nov. 29 at the Elks Club in Athol.

He was presented by Stuart Deane of the Exchange Club of Greater Newburyport Exchange Club, whose father was an assistant coach on Claude's senior-year team in 1934.

Claude was the center of attention at an earlier gathering at his residence in Gardner of representatives of the four undefeated teams in school history as part of a story to publicize the upcoming induction ceremonies.



Claude Marchegiani and Stuart Deane share a moment at the 2012 "Scholars Banquet" in East Templeton.

Breakfast Nashua Tidbits

Right: Breakfast Exchange Club of Nashua member, Amanda Cornellier-Gray, center, serves soup to residents of the Coliseum Avenue senior housing facility in Nashua, NH.



The **club-sponsored luncheon** featured soup and sandwiches, dessert and entertainment by Amy Conley, a local performer. 90 Coliseum Avenue residents attended the luncheon.

With a focus on providing programs that program area seniors, the Breakfast Exchange Club of Nashua meets on the second and fourth Friday of the month at Langdon Place of Nashua. Email BXCNashua@gmail.com for more information.



Salem Tidbits



Above: Club President, Nicole Shepley with Sue and Andy Nelson.



2013-'14 president, Andrew J. Nelson was honored at the Salem club's annual **Past President's Night** at Merrimack Golf Club. In usual Salem fashion, comedy entertainment was a main feature of the event.

Andy was worked over by professional comedian/ventriloquist, Al Getler. Al and his several sidekicks ribbed Andy with one-liners prepared by Salem club members. It was a fun and unusual evening!



The club ran its annual **Food Drive** in the Salem Holiday Parade. Members, friends and family walked the 2-mile parade route, pushing 10 shopping carts and collected food and cash from parade spectators. Over 550 pounds of food, plus \$637 dollars were collected.



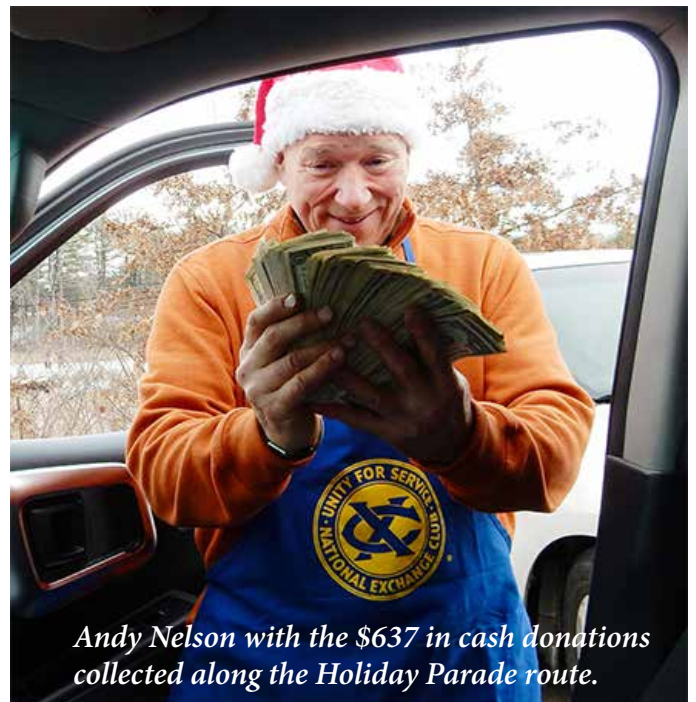
Tree Sale

Salesperson extraordinaire, Lydia Eustice, daughter of club secretary, Cristen Eustice makes another sale to a happy customer.

The **record tree sale** netted over \$14,400 for the club's activities fund. Salem High JrROTC cadets also do a great job selling trees.



Setting up the racks for Salem's **46th annual Christmas tree sale**. Boy Scout troops from Salem, Windham and Andover, MA help with setup and tree sales.



Andy Nelson with the \$637 in cash donations collected along the Holiday Parade route.

Newburyport Tidbits

Busy Newburyport Holidays!

- Dec. 5: **Bell Ringing** for the Salvation Army, 4 – 9 p.m.
- Dec. 9: **Dare House party** for teen-aged mothers, 5 – 7 p.m.
- Dec. 14 **Club Open House**
- Dec. 16: **Group Home party** in Amesbury, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Wife Susan and daughter Ashley join Steve Hines in celebrating the Christmas holiday with food, gifts from Santa, and songs of the season.



Above: An unforgettable moment at the Dare House party.

Five-New-Member Frenzy!



Newburyport Club President, Ben Iacono swears in new members Jane Piatelli, Christina Jones and Lynda Fitzgerald. Ben also inducted correctional officer Alex Bergen, who was attracted to the club by the “Field of Honor.”



Hosts, Claudette Beerman and Chris Allen pose in their home during their holiday open house.



Club made a \$150 donation to Salvation Army for Thanksgiving turkeys.

Club Facebook page is up and running.

The club heard some eye-opening statistics from guest speaker, Fran Larkin of *Pennies for Poverty* "As many as 200 students in Newburyport, Salisbury, and Amesbury are homeless – in shelters, motels, cars, or staying with friends. We have five food pantries and seven soup kitchens in the area. I'm trying to increase awareness. Too many kids are hurting in this area." he told the group.

New England District President Ken Leone of Methuen welcomes new Newburyport Exchange Club member Gloria Poirier.



October 27 club delegation went to Pease International Airport to welcome home 350 reservists from their fifth deployment to Afghanistan. Club donated \$400 to the event.

Recap

Merrimack Valley Golf Club,
Methuen, MA
Nov. 8th 2014



2014 Fall Educational Conference

We had a great social hour before the 9:00 AM opening bell. Old friends got caught up, new members introduced and attendees mingled while enjoying coffee, juices and pastries.

Keynote speaker, Judge Mark Newman from the Essex County Juvenile Court, recalled moving stories and outcomes from his previous 72 hours on the bench. He had everyone's attention while he explained how reality can be different than appearances. One particular story he told of was of a child who had been in several foster homes, and the effects that had on the child. Another story was about a child he had seen in his court room many times over a period of years, and now the child was coming of age, and the challenges he faces. What was amazing was that these were just a few of the cases he had dealt with in the previous 72 hours. Judge Newman was an interesting, and moving guest speaker.

Connie Ricketts of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) spoke about the advocates program.

During lunch, Stuart Deane showed a video about the Newburyport Field of Honor.

There was a "roundtable" discussion period when Bob Wescott spoke about the Foundation, Doug Seed gave tips on club newsletters and how to submit items for the New England Exchangite. Yadira Betances, from the Eagle Tribune, spoke about getting things into the newspaper and the challenges that newspapers face today.

Cindy Harb gave us a Powerpoint tour of the National Exchange Club website and the many resources it offers to clubs and individual members.

The event was catered by Sam Ambra, of the Haverhill Exchange Club. A fabulous and delicious meal, as always. Thanks, Sam!

Many thanks to Conference Committee chairfolks, Lauren Gamache, Paul Attridge and Bonnie Breen for a great day!



Left:
Keynote speaker, Judge Mark Newman

Below:
N.E. District President Elect, Terry Rivard



Above and right:
Past District Presidents, Bob Wescott and Cindy Harb



Wetherbee Excel members



Yadira Betances of the Eagle Tribune



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Annual Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, January 24th

8:00 am – 11:00 am

Breakfast includes:

Choice of toppings, bacon, coffee, juice & milk.



Tickets:

\$5 in advance

\$6 at the door

(age 2 and under are free)

**Riverside Church
278 Groveland St.
Haverhill, MA**

We will be raffling off a Kindle Fire HD

For raffle tickets or breakfast tickets,

Please call Ellen at 978-420-6094

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Youth of the Year Entry Form



THE DISTRICT AND NATIONAL YOUTH OF THE YEAR AWARD OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

The entry form is divided into five parts. Sections 1 and 2 address the candidate's achievements during five of his or her final six semesters in high school. This information is normally obtained from school records. Sections 3 and 4 are to be prepared by the candidate. Section 5 must be filled out in full. All grading should be based on a five semester period beginning with the sophomore (10th grade) year and ending with the close of the first semester of the senior (12th grade) year. Make sure to enter a score for each semester in each appropriate activity column as well as a total.

Section 1a — Activities

Student Government/Class Government - Report on highest office held per group each semester.

Newspaper/Annual School Publication - Report on highest position held per publication each semester.

Musical Organization - Band denotes any musical group which is school-sponsored. Choir denotes any vocal group which is school-sponsored. Orchestra denotes a formal symphonic musical organization which is school sponsored, but not included in band activities. Drum major/majorette must be part of school-sponsored activity.

Debate Activities - Winner denotes any recognized award achieved as an individual or as a member of a team in either an inter- or intra-school competition. However, only one such victory may be counted per semester. Team denotes any group representing either a high school class or the high school as a whole. If the candidate receives a score as a winner and is part of a team, he or she should also receive credit for team membership.

Stage Production - Performer denotes active participation on stage as a member of a theatrical or similar school-sponsored production. Production Crew

denotes participation in an activity necessary to support a school performance (i.e. stage hand, projectionist, makeup, etc.). Only one performance may be counted per semester.

Athletic Teams, Club Membership - see explanation on entry form.

Section 1b — Community Service Activities
Community Organization Membership and Volunteer Service Hours - see explanation on entry form.

Section 2 — Grades

Grade point average is for semester period beginning with the sophomore (10th grade) year and ending with the close of the first semester of the senior (12th grade) year. Multiply the student's G.P.A. (using the 4.0 system) by 50 to get the score for Section 2. G.P.A. may not exceed 4.0.

Section 3 — Special Achievements/Awards

List 10 special achievements and awards, specifying if local, state or national. Attach a typewritten paragraph describing most outstanding achievement. This section, which can be awarded up to a maximum of 160 points, will be scored by the national judges.

Section 4 — Essay

Follow instructions as indicated on form. The subject of the essay will be announced by letter from the National Exchange Club. The essay will be scored by the team of national judges who can award the essay as many as 300 points. The essay should be attached to this form as indicated.

Section 5 — Certification/Information Form

Fill out as indicated. Advise candidate that he or she may be contacted by a representative of the National Exchange Club to obtain additional information for publicity purposes.

The 2013-2014 Youth of the Year Theme:

"Parading the Spirit of Community Service with Passion and Commitment."

District Youth of the Year Candidate
 Submitted by the Exchange Club of _____ club # _____

National Youth of the Year Candidate
 Submitted by the _____ District

Section 1a – Activities

Student Government/Class Government

- President (4 points)
- Other Officer (3 points)
- Representative (2 points)
- Committee Member (1 point)

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30 points max.

Newspaper/Annual School Publication

- Editor (4 points)
- Manager (3 points)
- Staff (2 points)

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30 points max.

Musical Organization

- Band (2 points)
- Choir (2 points)
- Orchestra (2 points)
- Drum Major/Majorette (2 points)
- Receiving Individual Music Instruction (2 points)

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30 points max.

Debate Activities

- Winner (2 points)
- Team Member (1 point)

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Stage Production

- Performer (2 points)
- Production Crew (1 point)

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Athletic Teams

Captain or Co-Captain (2 points), Team Member (1 point). List no more than two (2) per semester, with points earned for each. Do not include intramural sports.

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20 points max.

Club Membership

(Clubs authorized and sponsored by the high school.) Officer (2 points), Member (1 point). List no more than two (2) per semester, with points earned for each.

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20 points max.

Section 1a Total _____
 160 points max.

Section 1b – Community Service Activities

Community Organization Membership

(Including youth groups, religious or service organizations which meet at least once a month.) President (3 points), Officer (2 points), Member (1 point). List no more than two (2) per semester and no more than 20 hours per semester. Include list of activities performed.

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20 points max.

Volunteer Service Hours

(Such as hospital or nursing home service, Salvation Army bell-ringing, etc.) 1 point for every five (5) hours. List no more than two (2) activities per semester and no more than 20 hours per semester.

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20 points max.

Section 1b Total _____

40 points max.

Section 2 – Grades

Grade Point Average (on a 4.0 scale) _____ x 50 = _____

Section 2 Total _____

200 points max.

Section 3 – Personal Achievements/Awards

Each nominee should list his/her 10 most outstanding achievements and awards, including those for athletics, scouting, talent, etc. The nominee should select the achievement he or she considers to be the most outstanding and describe why in a typewritten paragraph of not more than 200 words. (Attach paragraph to this form.)

| Date | Description | Local | State | National |
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Section 3 Total _____

160 points max.

(Please attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Section 4 — Essay

Each nominee will be responsible for preparing an essay on a subject selected by the National Exchange Club. The essay must be 800 - 1,200 words. Although grammatical correctness and proper use of accepted rules of composition will be considered, points will be awarded primarily on the basis of the overall impact of the essay on the judges. Therefore, logical and clear development, as well as the persuasiveness of the argument are most important. The purpose of the essay is to provide the judges with a deeper insight into the character and beliefs of the nominee, and the nominee's ability to clearly communicate with the reader. Based on these impressions, judges may award the essay up to 300 points. (Please attach the typewritten essay to this form.)

Section 4 Total _____
300 points max.

TOTAL _____
860 points max.

Section 5 — Certification and Information Form

Candidate's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ Date of Birth _____
High School _____
Contact Person _____ Phone _____
Parents'/Guardians' Names _____

We certify that the above-named student has participated in Section 1 activities, achieved Section 2 grades, and earned Section 3 awards and achievements.

Signature of High School Official

Signature of Parent/Guardian

I certify that this candidate was selected as the Youth of the Year from among at least three (3) Youth of the Month winners selected by my club during the administrative year beginning _____, and is in strict keeping with the rules and regulations of the Youth of the Month program as provided by the National Exchange Club.

Signature of Club President

Exchange Club of

(To be completed for national nominees only)

Submitted by _____
Name of Sponsoring District _____
Name of District President _____
Name of Exchange Club originally sponsoring candidate _____

Coordinating Responsibility

Candidate must be able to accept the award in person at the scheduled event at the National Convention in order to win. Verify with candidate **before submitting entry form to National.**

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (H) _____ (B) _____

Any additional communication regarding this application will be directed to the Exchange named above unless the National Exchange Club is otherwise instructed.

In accordance with the program requirements, I confirm that all information contained herein is accurate and conforms to the rules and regulations as established by the National Exchange Club.

Signature of District President

**Please attach a 5" x 7" photo to be used for publicity purposes.*

Accepting the Challenge of Excellence Award A.C.E.

The District and National A.C.E. Award Official Entry Form

Purpose:

The A.C.E. (Accepting the Challenge of Excellence) Award recognizes high school students who have had to overcome great physical, emotional, or social obstacles and are now eligible for high school graduation.

This is a positive program with two key objectives. First, it helps encourage students to overcome their hardships and get back on track toward a high school diploma. Second, the award recognizes those students who are often overlooked for their accomplishments. This special recognition serves as a powerful example to all students that hard work and perseverance really do pay.

The submission deadline for the National A.C.E. Award is June 1. The winner will be presented the A.C.E. Award and a \$10,000 scholarship at the National Convention. Travel accommodations will be provided to the winner and his/her parents/guardians.

Instructions:

1. Contact your local high school for a potential candidate for the award. A partial list of difficulties overcome could include physical, language, child abuse, delinquency or substance abuse.
2. Ensure that the candidate will graduate from high school this year, OR complete GED classes by the age of 19, by the time of submission of application to National Headquarters (June 1).
3. Obtain school official and parent/guardian signatures.
4. Recognize the selected individual at an appropriate club meeting.
5. If you plan to enter your candidate in the district competition, be sure the A.C.E. Award chairperson has the description narrative (500 words max.) and the two candidate brief narratives (250 words max.) before the deadline.
6. The district may use the same judging procedure as National or determine their own selection process.
7. The district may select one or two (if opposite sex) candidates to submit to National by June 1st. Advise candidate that he or she may be contacted by a representative of the National Exchange Club to obtain additional information for publicity purposes.

See note under Section 3 for candidate eligibility at the national level.

DISTRICT NOTE: It is the hope and encouragement of your New England District Board and officers, that EVERY club will participate in the A. C. E. Award process in the communities you serve. It is impossible to predict the positive effects of involving a school, its guidance and education staffs and others, in the process of looking at their students from the A. C. E. perspective. Whether a specific child wins, or not, sometimes just recounting and acknowledging the achievements required to even be considered, will have a profound impact on a child's life. This project is very low cost in dollars, but does take time to execute positively. If your Club has never taken part in the A. C. E. Program, just call the ACE chairman (inside front cover), and THANK YOU, from all of us and from everyone you touch.

"The Badger."

A.C.E. Candidate Submission Form
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Submit 2-page A.C.E. form to:
ACE Chairperson
Jeff Richard grassmonkey44@yahoo.com

Section 1 - Prepared by Sponsoring Club or Guidance Counselor

Exchange Club of _____

Candidate's name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Narrative: (not to exceed 500 words) Describe problem and how it was overcome, include implications for the future.

We certify that the above named student has participated in listed activities and achievements and will graduate this year _____ from _____ High School.

Signature of School Official Signature of Parent/Guardian Signature of Club President

Section 2 - Prepared by Candidate

Narrative A (not to exceed 250 words) *Attach additional pages as necessary.

Describe in your own words the event or events in your life that you are most proud of. (50 points max.)

Narrative B (not to exceed 250 words) *Attach additional pages as necessary.

Describe in your own words your plans for the future to make your community and world a better place to live. (50 points max.)

Section 3 - Prepared by District for National Nominees Only

The above student has been selected by the _____ District as its candidate for the (year) _____ National A.C.E. Award.

Coordinating Responsibility

The following Exchangite from the sponsoring district will be responsible for the nominee's attendance at the National Convention in the event the entry is designated a winner.

District Contact _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (H) _____ (B) _____

Note: **Candidate must be able to accept the award in person at the scheduled event at the National Convention in order to win.** Call National Headquarters for current year's dates & times, 800-XCHANGE (924-2643), and verify with candidate before submitting entry form to National.

Any additional communication regarding this application will be directed to the Exchangite named above unless the National Exchange Club is otherwise instructed. In accordance with the program requirements, I confirm that all the information contained herein is accurate and conforms to the rules and regulations as established by the National Exchange Club.

Signature of District President

The 2013-2014 year was an exciting time for The National Exchange Club...we experienced growth for the first time in 26 years!
Exchange can do it again in 2014-2015 by,

“Living Exchange: Investigating the Possibilities!”



“Live Exchange!”

Live Exchange's Mission, “Working together to make our communities better places to live.”
Live Exchange by asking others to join!



Every member who recruits a new Exchangite will receive a commemorative lapel pin.

“Investigate the Possibilities!”

Investigate how you can even better serve your community.
Investigate power in numbers – continued growth means more opportunities to serve America's communities!



In addition to making a difference in his/her community, the Exchangite who recruits the most new members each month will receive a personalized award to commemorate that achievement! And, the club builder who recruits the most new members each month will also receive a personalized award!

1...2...3... GROW!



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**Contact District President,
Ken Leone... He'll be happy to help!**

kimken2@msn.com

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