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Meetings held at
"Buffalos" - Zebulon Rd.
Every 14 days
11:30AM to 1:00PM



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"Meeting Notes – June 10th at the Buffalos"

President Ron Raleigh opened the meeting, welcoming the members and guests – there were "8" members present and "3" guests. The day's guests included: **Marie Seay, Jerry Kelly, and Roy Bibb**. Club Treasurer **Rollin Middlebrooks** tendered the day's invocation – member **Crawford Lovett** led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

"Announcements & Coming Attractions"

* The annual **Walter Arnett Annual Sporting Clay Shooting** event has been rescheduled for September 25th, 2021 at the "**Meadows Gun Club**". Sponsors, SWAG gifts, & volunteers needed to make the event successful.

* **Officer and Board Installation Ceremony** to be held at our regular scheduled meeting on June 24th.

* The young lady that our Club recognized and honored as our **2020/2021 A.C.E. (Accepting the Challenge of Excellence)** was selected by the Georgia District Exchange as their A.C.E. Award recipient as well. Our Club presented her with a **\$50.00** stipend, a **\$500.00** scholarship to the school of her choice, and a travel/meal allowance for her and her guest (accompanied by her Mother) to attend the **Georgia District Exchange Convention** held June 3rd through June 5th, at **The Lodge Resort & Spa at Callaway Gardens**. **Ginger Larrabee, Chair of the Georgia District Exchange A.C.E.** presented our candidate, **Alivia Johnson**, with the A.C.E. Award and a scholarship check for **\$1,500**. In accepting the award, **Alivia** shared her story – at the impact of her story, there were no dry eyes in the audience. **Alivia** has also agreed to share her story with other Georgia District Exchange Clubs and has already been entered as the Georgia District's A.C.E. candidate for National Exchange competition. NEC awards a \$15,000 scholarship to the selected candidate. Congratulations and good luck to our choice and District's, **Alivia Jonhson**.

I would be remiss if I did not offer our Club appreciation to our **Youth Projects Chair Chair, Debbie McCreary**, for her efforts in the A.C.E. youth selection process and follow through. Also, special thanks to **June O'Neal, Director of Mentors Project of Middle Georgia** for her support over the years in the A.C.E. selection process. And, thank you to our Club membership for its continued support of the Macon Exchange Club's projects and activities – you make it possible for the Club to continue to serve our community.



Alivia Johnson
2020/2021 A.C.E. Award Recipient
Macon Exchange Club
and
Georgia District Exchange

* For the 2020/2021 Club Year, the Macon Exchange Club recognized “8” students as recipients of the Youth of the Month Award. Each recipient received a Certificate of Recognition and stipend of \$50.00. From the “8”, through an essay competition and personal achievements, the ***Youth of the Year of the Macon Exchange Club*** was chosen. The winning recipient will be receiving a ***\$500.00*** scholarship to the school of their choice. I would like to congratulate ***Elizabeth Bennett***, the ***2020/2021 Youth of the Year*** recipient. However, our recipient was not selected as the Georgia District Exchange Youth of the Year recipient. It was announced that there were only “6” points between the “8” total entries at District for Youth of the Year – all are to be congratulated.



Elizabeth Bennett
2020/2021 Youth of the Year
Macon Exchange Club

* **Walter Arnett, Events Chair** announced a correction on our proceeds from the “Shotgun Raffle” – the correct final gross sales were **\$10,715** in raffle tickets, generating **\$7,067.77** in net profit. The total net profit for the “First Annual Cars at TOBO Antique Car Show” was **\$1,374.42**. **Walter** reminded everyone to remember the “Clay Shoot” and to find Shooters, Sponsors, and SWAG.

* Club Board meeting at **Bobby George’s** home, June 21st at 6:00PM.

“Program Notes”

Roy Bibb, President – CEO of Mid-South Federal Credit Union (midsouthfcu.org) presented an encapsulated look at the “credit union” banking business. The “credit union” was formed as the Bibb Teachers Credit Union. With a desire to reach a wider clientele, the “credit union” changed its charter to be able to help more people in Middle Georgia. The “credit union” offers the same type of services and products as banks, The exception is that the “credit union” is much more personable working to meet the needs of people. Mid-South makes some \$1,000,000,000 in small loans each year through multiple branches around Middle Georgia.

Community minded, Mid-South helps various charities and schools in the communities they serve. Mid-South has been a staunch supporter of the Macon Exchange Club’s Lamar Taylor Memorial Golf Tournament from the beginning – some “20” years. In recognition of their civic involvement, we recognized Mid-South Credit Union as a “**Friend of Exchange**”.



***Presentation of “Friend of Exchange” pictured
Roy Bibb, President/CEO of Mid-South Federal Credit Union
{right} Macon Exchange Club Board Chair, Bobby George***

“Age: Ponder & Remember – Famous Folks”

“Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.” - Henry Ford

“Old age is when you resent the swimsuit issue of Sports Illustrated because there are fewer articles to read.” - George Burns

“Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don’t mind, it doesn’t matter.” - Mark Twain

“The longer I live the more beautiful life becomes.” - Frank Lloyd Wright



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