



# EXCHANGE

NOON EXCHANGE CLUB OF GARLAND, TX

## NOONER NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2023

Web: [www.noonexchangeclubgarland.org](http://www.noonexchangeclubgarland.org)

### *Club Meetings*

**Wednesday's,**  
12 – 1 P.M.

**Ernesto's Fine Mexican**  
1518 Northwest Hwy,  
Garland, TX

### **Officers**

#### **President**

Jim Bookhout

#### **President Elect**

Steve Stanley

#### **Past President**

Javier Solis

#### **Secretary**

Rosie Neely

#### **Treasurer**

Jody Krizan

#### **Board**

Doug Burnside

Wes Oliver

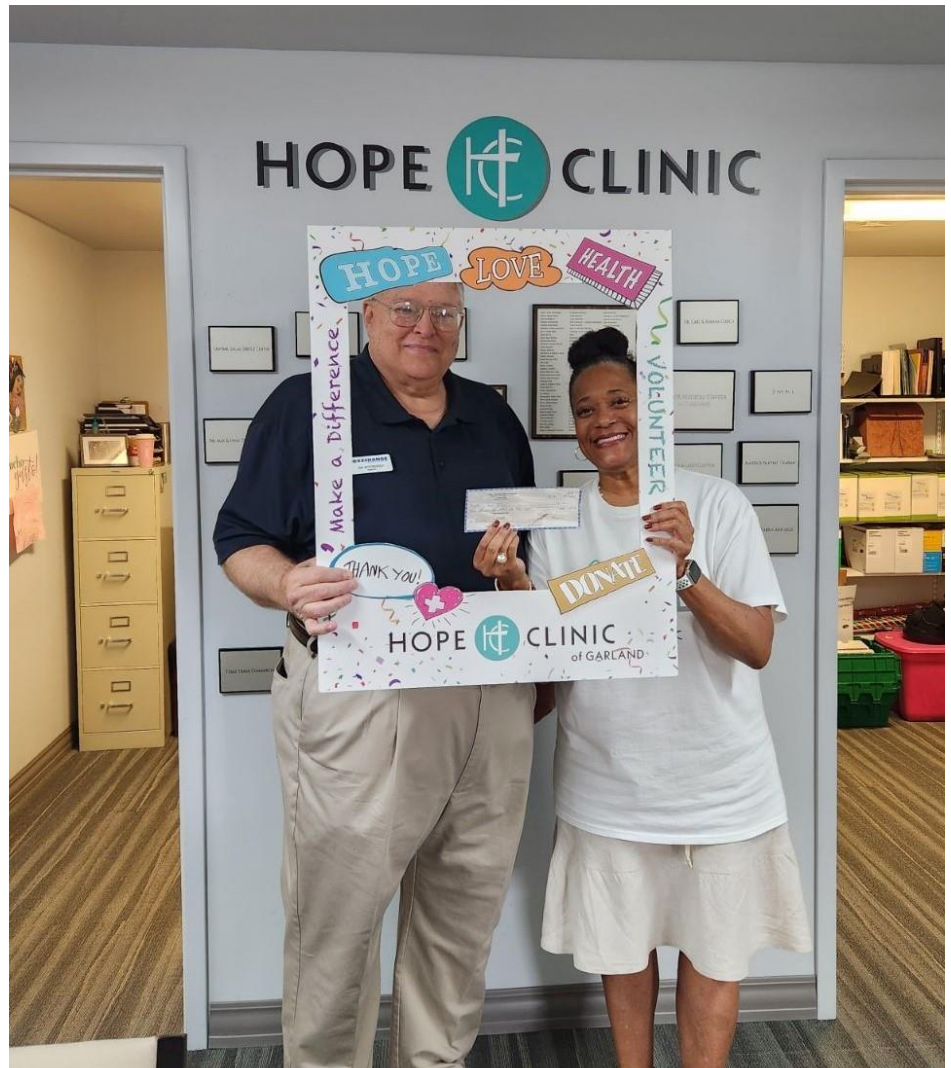
Sheri Eddleman

Jim Griffin

Charlie Freeman

Diana Wickman

The Club presented a check to Hope Clinic for \$1,500 on North Texas Giving Day. It was to be matched by an anonymous donor.





## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Jim Bookhout

The Labor Day Parade was again a great success. *THANK YOU* to Javier Solis for chairing the Parade Committee and to all our members and those Exchangeites from other clubs who helped it be a magnificent parade. The City said we were in a 105 different newspapers, radio and tv coverages from across the country.

We had another great month of speakers! Please make an effort to attend your clubs' meetings and enjoy the speakers and fellowship. October will be another exceptional month for speakers. Also, we have several new members. Please try and come meet them.





On the 6<sup>th</sup> President Bookhout presented Garland Mayor Scott Lemay with a flag stand from the club.

The Mayor spoke on numerous topics of happenings in the city, the Downtown redo, the upcoming budget and many other topics of interest to Garland Exchangites.

We appreciate his taking the time to come and update us!

Leslie Reyna & Nikolas Fanchi presented their Student of the Month essays at the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.



## EXCHANGE EDUCATION

Charles A. Berkey is credited with the founding of this great organization. At his suggestion, the name “Exchange” was selected because the group wanted to exchange ideas and information with like-minded individuals about how to better serve their communities.

The first local Exchange Club was formed in Detroit, Michigan, in 1911. The second was the Exchange Club of Toledo, Ohio, formed in 1913.

Subsequently, two others were organized in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio. These four clubs were the first to be chartered by The National Exchange Club after it was organized as a nonprofit, educational organization in 1917.

The National Exchange Club has been at the forefront of significant developments in American history, including the early days of aviation progress. The spirit of patriotism paved the way for what has become known as the “Americanism” Program of Service. Americanism promotes pride in our country, appreciation for the freedoms granted to American citizens, and gratitude to the men and women who serve and have served in the Armed Forces. Americanism celebrates our country’s rich, unique heritage and inspires unity from coast-to-coast.



Garland's Chamber of Commerce CEO Paul Mayer was our speaker on September 13<sup>th</sup> and presented a very informative program on the history of Garland commerce.

Paul is also the District #3 Trustee for Dallas College. We hope he'll be back and speak on the changes of the college.

Of interest Garland is the only city that has a square like counties are done. Garland's downtown area was never laid out with a square in mind. When the city was incorporated in 1891, the present square consisted of lots and business houses. But that concept changed after the fire of 1899, which subtracted most of the wooden structures built in and around that central block. Only a few buildings, including those standing today on the outside northwest and southeast corners of the square, survived the flames.



Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Tanya Downing, from Hope Clinic, came and spoke on the clinic’s health services available to indigent people in Garland who otherwise might not have any healthcare. They also have a food giveaway each week to those that need help.

Specialty services offered at the clinic now include Cardiology, Dermatology, Optometry, Endocrinology, Gynecology, Pulmonary, Rheumatology, and Surgical. The success and growth of Hope Clinic has been through private funding to include individual donations, foundations, civic organizations, corporations, and church support.

## October Events

5<sup>th</sup> - Scott Smith - Are you prepared?

11<sup>th</sup> – Fire Prevention - Jerry Click, Garland Fire Dept.

18<sup>th</sup> – Youth of the Month,  
Sally Rodriquez, Author, White Rock Lake Books

Celebrate October Birthdays  
Kimbal Simpson and Jim Griffin

25<sup>th</sup>- Agape Manor Home

November 1<sup>st</sup> will be our “ONE NATION UNDER GOD” event.

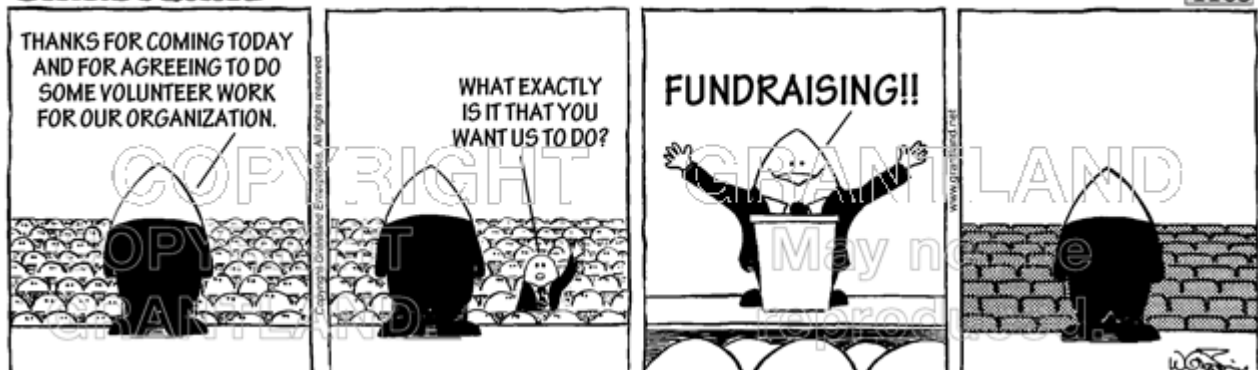
### DID YOU KNOW?

The National Exchange Club is the only service organization exclusively serving communities in the United States. More than 630 local clubs throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico provide individuals with opportunities to use their time and talents to benefit their local communities and the country as a whole. Exchange’s Core Values are family, community, and country.

*Brad Namdar, the General Manager for the Texas Outlaws Soccer Team, in the Major Arena Soccer League spoke to us on his history and his team’s achievements. TATU, formally of the Dallas Sidekicks, is now the teams head coach. The Team graciously provided the club with 2023 season tickets for two. They play locally at the Mesquite Rodeo arena.*



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