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NOON EXCHANGE CLUB OF GARLAND, TX

Nooner News

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Club Meetings

1st Wednesday at

IHOP - 7:30 to 8:30 am

2nd Wednesday at

GRCTC - Noon to 1 pm

3rd & 4th Wednesdays at

Olive Garden - Noon - 1 pm

Officers

President

Stephen Stanley

President Elect

Javier Solis

Past President

Jim Bookhout

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Angela McKee

Treasurer

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Board

Doug Burnside

Sheri Eddleman

Charlie Freeman

Diana Wickman

Colleen Harpe

Message from the President, Stephen Stanley

Well, we are well on our way working on our next Noon Exchange Club event. As much fun and yes, work, that the Annual Labor Day Parade is, our upcoming Youth Christmas is not just my favorite, but I dare say most everyone's favorite "Program of Service." This year looks to be our biggest and best program yet. Many of you know that this year we are working on more corporate sponsorships besides what we get from Wal-Mart.

Our major sponsor this year will be the Tyrese Maxey Foundation. Last year they gave us a \$2,500 donation for the event but this year they are going way above and beyond. Our partnership with the GISD will go to the next level as well. Stay tuned for updates! If you know a local company that would like to participate as a Corporate Sponsor, please let me or Javier Solis know and we'll get them included.

On October 9th we will have our second "Student of the Month" luncheon at our new location, the Gilbreath Reed Career and Technical Center. Our first time there last month was amazing. The culinary students blew us away with the meal they prepped and served and the 2 students from Garland High School were National Award level students. I for one can't wait for next weeks program and our 2 student presenters.

Halloween which this year falls on Thursday, October 31st and the following Tuesday is our Nation's General election where we will all vote for our next President, vice president, and many races all the way down the ballot. Please stay engaged let's all do our civic duty and vote for your candidates of choice.

— Stephen Stanley, 2024-2025 President



October 30 – 5th Wednesday – 6 pm Dinner @ Outback Steakhouse, 4902 N George Bush Frwy, Garland 75040

[Outback](#) -click here

LABOR DAY PARADE - SEPTEMBER 2, 2024



[Labor Day Parade video - click here](#)

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Sheri Eddleman

This month we focus on Sheri Eddleman, a charming residential realtor with 33 years of experience and no plans to retire. Prior to becoming a licensed realtor, Sheri spent 25 years selling mid-range IBM equipment to clients in the oil and gas industry before she took their last early retirement package when she was about 12 years of age. Sheri married Luther 43 years ago. They have 3 grown children (they lost one in 2007) and 12 grandchildren. They also have 5 great-grandchildren with number 6 due November 1st. One thing Sheri cannot live without is Coffee ice cream. She would love to meet and have dinner with Donald Trump and if she could live anywhere she would reside in Springfield, the quaint Midwestern town in the television series, "Father Knows Best."



Halloween can be traced back to the Celtic festival called "Samhain", which means "summer's end." In Ireland, the United Kingdom and Northern France, the annual feast celebrated at the beginning of November recognized the last day of the fall harvest and spirits crossing over, since they believed the veil between the living and spirit world grew thinnest at that time. People used to ward off ghosts by lighting sacrificial bonfires, and – you guessed it – wearing costumes to trick the spirits. The colors of black and orange were used because black represented the "death" of summer while orange represented the life of the fall harvest.

September 11 Meeting at the GRCTC

GISD Youth of the Month
Jasmine John and Saron Elias
from Garland High School.



Bruno Ruiz from the GISD Maintenance Department was awarded the Unsung Hero Award from President Steve Stanley for helping an autistic student in danger from running on to a busy street.



October 5th - Crimestoppers Taste of Garland
**October 6 –National Plus Size Appreciation Day; also,
Angela's Birthday**
October 13 – Breast Cancer Awareness Day
October 14 – Columbus Day
October 16 – National Bra Day
October 17 – Wear Something Gaudy Day
October 23 – National Slap Your Coworker Day
October 31 – Halloween



October Board Meeting

Monday, October 7th at 6 pm.

GISD Student Services Center, 720 Stadium Drive.

Drinks and sandwiches will be provided by President Stanley at 5:30 before the meeting. You will receive an email with last month's minutes and agenda before the meeting. Please let President Stanley know if you have something you want added to the agenda.





September 18 Meeting

**President Stanley welcomes newest member
Rene Grenado**

**Doug Burnside with “You make a Difference”
recipient Sarah Tristan, 911 Operator
for the city of Garland**



September 25 Meeting

**President Elect Solis presents flag stand
to speaker Detective Tony Godwin,
a member of the National Law Enforcement
Officer Hall of Fame.
Catch his podcasts here - [Catfish Cops](#)**



October 2 Breakfast Meeting at IHOP



President Elect Javier Solis discusses the children's Christmas party, flag disposal on Veterans day, and other upcoming events with members

- *Join us October 9th* at the Gilbreath Reed Career and Technical Center (GRCTC) as we honor our Youth of the Month from South Garland High School
[GRCTC](#)—click here

- *On October 16th* we will meet at the Olive Garden for the “Proudly We Hail” luncheon

- *On October 23rd* we welcome speaker Mallorie Teel from Rescue Hill, an anti-trafficking non-profit organization to our luncheon at the Olive Garden
[Rescue Hill](#)—click here

- *On October 30th* we will have 5th Wednesday dinner at Outback Steakhouse, 4902 George Bush Frwy at 6 pm. See you there! [Outback](#)—click here