



## **THE FORT SMITH NOON EXCHANGE CLUB**

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### **STATISTICS FOR APRIL 24, 2009:**

Presiding	Tommy Fowler
Invocation	Herb Couvillion
News	Jack Freeze
Guest Slips	(Bud Harper) Zach Eckert
50/50 Tickets	Art and Bradley Martin
50/50 Winner(\$ )	Zach Eckert(guest of Don Tickler)
Birthdays/	(Ray Fougnie)
Cake Winner(April)	Thurman Jordon

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP:** Currently at 119 active members

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

\*President Tommy Fowler has asked that all cell phones be turned off during the meeting once called to order as a courtesy to speaker(s) and members; potential, future action may be implemented by the Board if interruptions persist

\*Please don't forget to bring your donated items for the CAP basket, which will be an ongoing collection/donation made by the Ft. Smith Noon Exchange Club

\*Harv Coon is recovering well after surgery

\*District Convention is June 5-7<sup>th</sup> in Ft. Smith, so please try to attend

\*The annual Fish Fry will be next Friday at Columbus Acres; there will be NO noon meeting

\*The Policeman of the Year will be honored at the Fish Fry

**PROGRAMS:** Thurman Jordan introduced this week's guest speaker, Brenda Hook of the Good Samaritan Clinic. Ms. Hooks provided a glimpse of a single day at the clinic. Good Samaritan provides medical services and medications for the homeless, low income and uninsured residents of eight surrounding counties. It was originally opened in 1988 as a "one night per week" clinic at St Paul's Church and expanded to a full time clinic in 2003. They distribute more than \$1 million in medications each year. Open from 8 to 5, Monday through Friday, Good Samaritan has at least one doctor on site four and a half days per week. They also have at least one nurse on site at all times. Between 25 and 30 patients are seen daily, with an additional 10 to 15 medication only patients.

### **FUTURE PROGRAMS:**

May 8<sup>th</sup> Ragupathy Kannan-UAFA/Tropical Field Biology  
May 15<sup>th</sup> TBA  
May 22<sup>nd</sup> TBA  
May 29<sup>th</sup> TBA

### **HUMOR:**

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"I'm stumped.  
We'll have to wait for  
the autopsy."

### **PARTING THOUGHT:**

"I may be compelled to face danger, but never fear it, and while our soldiers can stand and fight, I can stand and feed and nurse them."

~Clara Barton

### **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT:**

\*Please remember to get your dues into Treasurer, Barbara Ulmschneider, in a timely manner. It is extremely important that you notify either Barbara, me, or any other board member, when you have a change in your club status or will be delayed in paying your dues. Our National dues and local expenditures are based on active membership, so it is very important that you stay in current, good standing to facilitate proper maintenance of our accounting.