



THE FORT SMITH NOON EXCHANGE CLUB

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STATISTICS FOR MAY 8 & MAY 29:

Presiding	Tommy Fowler
Invocation	Al Whitson & Homer Ellis
News	Jack Freeze
Guest Slips	(Bill Chandler & Larry Forsgren) Fred Alexander, George Fritz, Tyler Smith, and Heather Hutto
50/50 Tickets	Bill & Ruth Pitts, Jack Freeze & Ira Jones
50/50 Winner(\$51 both weeks)	Jack Freeze(\$25), John Tripp(\$25-donated to Girl's, Inc.)
Birthdays/	(George Beattie)
Cake Winner(May)	Glen Taylor

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
- *No meeting May 15th due to facility use
- *Gary Marcotte or Lori Smith have District Convention registration forms for those interested in attending(\$60); the club will meet for regular lunch, then golf tournament and convention begins at Holiday Inn; Saturday night's banquet will be at Gary Marcotte's house
- *Herb Couvillion announced the PGM golf Tournament at FHCC on Friday, June 5th, prior the District Convention; cost will be \$40 for 18 holes and cart
- *Billy Dooly announced that Maureen Didion has a family in need through We Care Foundation; call for more information at 782-8822
- *Thurman Jordan supplied literature regarding the upcoming special election for a bond to help repair city sewer lines
- *The June board meeting will be Monday, June 1 at Tommy Fowler's home at 6:00 pm
- *Girl's, Inc. summer camp will be in July; donation notices will be in next quarterly mailing
- *A special note about our own Scott Monroe, who was recently honored for his contributions to the arts in our community at the "Mayor's Honors for the Visual & Performing Arts"~**

"CONGRATULATIONS, SCOTT!!!"

PROGRAMS: Thurman Jordan introduced Dr. Ragupathy Kannan, tropical biologist/zoologist/ornithologist from UAFS. Originally from India, Dr. Kannan is preparing to take a group of students and enthusiasts to Trinidad in the West Indies to study the birds of Trinidad. All bird families are widely represented, and the group will be staying at the Nature Center. Besides birds, they will be able to view, first-hand, many mammals and reptiles. Dr. Kannan hopes to join with the Fayetteville campus and make a larger trip next year. He has promised to return to share this year's experience with us, along with Thurman, who is planning on joining the group on their wonderful trip.

Billy Dooly had the honor of introducing Barry Presson, Old Fort Days Rodeo Chairman. This is the 76th annual rodeo, which was kicked off with a parade on Memorial Day. Dr. Monroe Morton, Rodeo/Fair chair, and Denny Flynn, Executive Director, along with top people and a ton of volunteers, are continuing to make this event one of the best. Friday night will be "Pink Night", with \$1 from each ticket going to the Reynolds Cancer Support House, along with auction proceeds. Tickets are \$8-\$10 for Friday, and \$10-\$12 for Saturday, and be sure not to miss the one-armed, buffalo cowboy!

FUTURE PROGRAMS:

June 5 th	Lunch and PGM Golf Tourny; District Convention begins
June 12 th	TBA
June 19 th	TBA
June 26 th	FS Noon Exchange Officer installation

HUMOR:

The job applicant

A crow applied for the receptionist's job at the new AT&T headquarters. The interviewer, a bit non-plussed, told the crow that the candidate had to be able to type at least 80 words per minute. The crow demonstrated a 100 wpm talent! Not wanting to hire a BIRD for the job, the interviewer told the crow that the candidate had to be able to take dictation. The crow surpassed all other candidates. Finally the interviewer thought he'd be able to get rid of the crow with "The candidate must be bilingual!" The crow replied "Meow!!"

PARTING THOUGHT:

Never squat with your spurs on.

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.