



Region 10 Newsletter

Greetings from Region 10 VP

It was great to be with Jack, Dan and Robert at the National Exchange Club Leadership Conference held in Toledo on Oct. 19 - 22. I think "The Imagineers" are really pumped up and ready to go. Marty, Paul and Bill, please get in touch with your DPE's and ask them to help you during this year. They will be an asset to you. The training this year was outstanding and I hope very informative to each of our DPE's. They worked on their goals for the year and seem to have a handle on our expectations. The format this year was a little different in that we all went to Tony Paco's on Thurs. night and on Fri. we had the gavel ceremony. Sat. we all attended the Court of Honor where our own Doris Ash was inducted into the Court. She joins so many other outstanding Exchangites. Sat. night we all attended a dinner in their honor. It was very special.

Georgia District Strategic Planning

Region 8 Vice President and VFR Russ Finney was in the Georgia District for Strategic Planning on Oct. 8th. I understand from Russ that you got a lot done, but the plan is not complete. Marty, please let me know if I can help you with it.

If anyone is interested, I have my strategic plan that I did from the year that I was SC District President. I would be glad to share it with any of you to use as a model. All strategic plans need to be for a 5 year period with both short and long term goals.

North and South Carolina District Events

The South Carolina District will hold it's 2nd Board meeting of the year at James Island County Park on Dec. 10th. They will join with a local Boy Scout troop to retire flags and with the Newberry Exchange Club campers for a great day at the park. Their Mid-Winter Conference will be held in Greenville on Jan. 13 or Feb. 3, 2012 at the Embassy Suites. (Bill, let me know which is the correct date.)

The North Carolina District had their Mid Winter on Feb. 24th in Cary, NC. (Paul, let me know if I have the correct date.)

Happenings in your District

I would like to visit as many clubs as possible in each of your districts. If you know of anything eventful, let me know and I'd like to try to come.

Thoughts on a Region 10 Get-together

What about the weekend of Feb. 10, 2012.

I have heard from several of you and the weekend of Feb. 10th seems to suit everyone. Please put the date on your calendars and I'll be in touch with the particulars. My thought is to have each of the District Presidents, President Elects, and Immediate Past Presidents come with their spouses to come to Charleston. Others have asked to come and I'm OK with that. I am a member of the Isle of Palms Exchange Club and we have a club building that we can use. I will work on getting another Exchangite in our area to host you in their homes so that you won't have to get a hotel room. Please let me know if you prefer to stay in a hotel and I'll get you the information you need. We would be pumped up from Mid-Winter and ready to plan. Fri. travel day to Charleston. Tentative Schedule:

- Fri. night we'll have a cook out at my house
- Sat. morning meet at IOP Club Building on the Isle of Palms for planning, fun, and fellowship.
- Sat. night a fun dinner somewhere in the area

Sun. morning a breakfast at my house before you depart for home

National Convention in Greensboro - 2013

At the National Convention in Detroit I talked with several of you about Region 10 being the host instead of NC at the Greensboro Convention in 2013. Everyone I talked with seemed very interested in the idea and helping the NC District Exchange Club with this project. Let me know your thoughts and we'll talk about it in when we meet in Feb. North Carolina has some good ideas and it would be fun to help them making the work fun and a lot easier with more hands.

Mid-Winter Conference

District Presidents and President Elect's should have already received information about the Mid Winter Conference in Chandler, Arizona, which will be held Jan. 12 - 15, 2012. You are responsible for booking and paying for your own air transportation. Jim Addis will have a room for you at the resort. I have looked on line and the fairs are pretty cheap if you book now. You need to plan to be at the resort by 4:00pm on the 12th and you can depart anytime on Sun. It is my understanding that you will fly into Phoenix and I think it is about an hour's drive from the airport to Chandler so plan accordingly. I look forward to being with you at Mid-Winter.

Bill and Robert, there is a flight from Charleston leaving around 6:30am that will put us into Phoenix early. I'll let you know what I book so that we can all go together.

You may have Heard?

Jim Hartley is no longer the Executive Director of the National Exchange Club. Tracey Edwards is the Interim Executive Director and is doing an outstanding job of getting everything organized. This action was taken by the Executive Committee before the Leadership Conf. Tracey and her team really worked hard to plan and pull off the Leadership Conference is less than two weeks. The National Board will make a decision at Mid-Winter on what will happen to the position. Remember that all decisions are made as to what is BEST for EXCHANGE.

Important Information that you need to let your Clubs know about or you need to DO

- Let National know your dates for Mid-Winter and Spring Conferences and if you need to have a National Representative come, please indicate who you want. This should go to Gail Weller gweller@nationalexchangeclub.org; Jim Addis jaddis@nationalexchangeclub.org; and Tracey Edwards tedwards@nationalexchangeclub.org
- **Form 990 filing Deadline is Nov. 15th for clubs and districts**
If you have a gross receipts of \$50,000 or less form IRS form 990-N. You may also do Form 990 or Form 990-EZ if you prefer. If the form is not filed in a timely manner, the revocation of the club or district's tax-exempt status will take place on the filing due date the 3rd year. Please make sure that your district and all of your clubs get this done before Nov. 15th.
- **Don't forget that you need to send me your DP or DPE reports by the 5th of each month.**

- You might think about have a teleconference for a board meeting once a year. All you need to do is call Gail Weller at National (1-800-924-2643) and she will give you the telephone # and code to use while calling in. The National Board has a call in meeting each week.

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Send me your Mid-Winter dates, Board meeting dates, and Spring Conf. dates to make sure that I have them all on my calendar.

Thanks,