



February 2009

# Exchange Club of East Hartford

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### Upcoming meetings and events:

February 24th, 6:30 PM  
Program Meeting  
Marco Polo Restaurant  
Holly Reed, Chair

March 10th, 6:30 PM  
Business Meeting & BOD  
Marco Polo Restaurant  
Tom Knapp, Chair

March 24th, 6:30 PM  
CAP Program  
Marco Polo Restaurant  
Bob Kenary, Chair

April 14th, 6:30 PM  
Business Meeting & BOD  
Marco Polo Restaurant  
Gene Taylor, Chair

April 28th, 6:30 PM  
Salute to E.H. Finest  
Marco Polo Restaurant  
Nancy Fitzgerald, Chair

May 9th, 7:30 AM  
Spring Tag Sale—Lodge  
Nancy Fitzgerald, Chair

Chairs are responsible for making calls prior to the meeting and providing count to Marco.

### Included with this newsletter:

Our Current Membership

## New Fire Chief John Oates to speak at February 24th meeting

At our February 24th meeting we will all have the opportunity to hear from newly appointed Fire Chief John Oates. John replaces former Chief Mike Eremita. Please plan to attend this program and welcome the new Chief.

Holly Reed is serving as Chairman and will be calling for attendance.



## East Hartford Firefighters donate \$500 to support Kidsafe Christmas



Lt. Rich Littell presents the donation to Pres. Elect Holly Reed

Our friends at the East Hartford Fire Department went above and beyond this year to make a donation to the East Hartford Exchange Club to support our Kidsafe Christmas Gift program. Firefighter of the year recipient, Lt. Richard Littell, presented the five hundred dollar donation, used by members to purchase gifts for the Annual program. Kidsafe sends us a list of children and their "Santa lists". We then do our best to fulfill those wishes and make a little Christmas magic for many East Hartford Families.

## Spring Tag Sale Plans underway

Get an early start on Spring cleaning and begin setting aside items for our Spring Tag Sale! We will once again be setting up at the Masonic Lodge on Main Street on Saturday, May 9th. The tag sale will run from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Nancy Fitzgerald is asking that each member donate enough items to total \$50 in sales. We are also asking that each member donate one new item valued at \$15.

Nancy needs help picking up items from the Glastonbury Tag Sale on March 21st. Please contact her if you can help. She will need help setting up on May 8th and on the 9th.

### Mission of the Exchange Club

Exchange is a group of men and women working together to make our communities better places to live through programs of service in Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities and its National Project, the Prevention of Child Abuse.

## Ideas for new fundraisers

Holly Reed and Al Hajek have both come up with ideas for new fundraisers. A bakery in the Springfield area offers specialty items to service clubs at a discount to resell. There is also an idea for selling flower bulbs with the club getting a percentage of the sale. These are both "low impact" ideas. If you like these or have other ideas — tell a board member!

**"Many hands make light work" - Get involved in growing our membership  
Invite a friend or colleague to a meeting - Ask them to join!**