



The Lakes & Prairies

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Event Calendar

- July 31 Lakes & Prairies board meeting through Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Aug 3 District Exchange club president meeting through Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Aug 7 District Exchange club secretary meeting through Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Aug 8 District Exchange club president-elect meeting through Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Aug 15-20 Steele County, Owatonna, and Moonlighters Exchange clubs parking gate fundraiser at Steele County Free Fair.
- Aug 17 Exchange Club of Omaha chartered in 1951.
- Aug 21 District Exchange club treasurer meeting through Zoom at 6 p.m.
- Aug 25 Exchange Club of Waverly chartered in 1984.

National Exchange Convention highlights

The 2024 National Convention will be July 10-13 in San Antonio, Texas

By Gail Buckingham, Lakes & Prairies 2023-24 District President



The 2023 National Exchange Club Convention & Symposium is in the books!

There were 148 clubs present and 432 attendees. Our Lakes & Prairies District had a representation of seven members and three guests. Money raised for The National Exchange Club Foundation by the attendees was \$150,000.

Our current guiding force, National President Leif Welhaven (adjacent photo) of Billings, Montana, joined Exchange in 1999, after being invited to a breakfast club to exchange ideas. He was interested in giving his time and talent to kids, community, veterans, and the prevention of child abuse.



Our Immediate Past District President Annette Duncan was elected and

installed as the Region 3 vice president, serving the Dakota Territory, Lakes & Prairies District, and the Lincolnland District. Congratulations to both Leif and Annette!

With that said, I personally want to thank Dawn Portner, who previously served as the Region 3 vice president for four years with honesty and integrity, and was not afraid to ask "why"

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Dawn Portner (pictured left), 2022-23 Region 3 vice president, is pictured with Lakes & Prairies Immediate Past District President Annette Duncan during The National Exchange Club Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. Duncan was elected to succeed Portner after her term limit was reached.

The Lakes & Prairies District wishes to recognize members who joined their respective Exchange club during June 2023

Steele County: James Zwiebel, 6/15.



Annette Duncan (above, second from left with right hand up) was installed as Region 3 vice president during the installation of officers conducted Saturday, July 15, during The National Exchange Club Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. Pictured left is Lakes & Prairies Treasurer Diana Sash, Vice President and Volunteer Field Representative Katie Smith, and District President Gail Buckingham at the Convention.


(Convention recap continued from Page 1) for others in our district. Thank you, Dawn, for the service you have provided to others.

And now, it is time to get on with the rest of the story! Our clubs are busy engaging with the new year of events within each club. My intentions are to stay connected with every club, and to bring connectivity to our clubs by having regular meetings.

In the meantime, it is always a good idea to print your club's roster, and have every member check the accuracy of their address, phone number and email address that you want to use for your Exchange contact.

Hopefully, every club has entered their club officers to The National Exchange Club. If not, let's talk about it. I am always available to you and enjoy receiving emails about your club's upcoming events.

(Do you have an event you'd like Gail to attend coming up? Email, text, or call her today so she can get it on her schedule.)




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Talk Exchange is the official podcast for the National Exchange Club. Each episode will bring a fun, fresh conversation with the NEC executive staff and guests. Please contact us with feedback, requests and ideas for the show at: info@NationalExchangeClub.org and THANKS for listening! Produced by Applo Multimedia Group - Toledo, OH



EPISODES	HOSTS
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div> <p>Episode 19 - Leif Welhaven (National President)</p> <p><small>JULY 12, 2023</small></p> </div> </div>	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div> <p>Episode 18 - Happy Hour Recap!</p> <p><small>JULY 05, 2023</small></p> </div> </div>	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div> <p>Episode 17 - Membership and Generational Differences</p> <p><small>JUNE 28, 2023</small></p> </div> </div>	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div> <p>Unity For Service</p> <p><small>JUNE 21, 2023</small></p> </div> </div>	

Share your club's news!
Email Randy at
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3rd Annual

HUNTER ALEXANDER FRANK CAR AND BIKE SHOW & MEMORIAL RIDE

Saturday, September 16th, 2023

Steele County Beer Gardens



Car/Bike Show: 10 AM–12 PM
Registration: 9–10 AM

Memorial Ride: 1–5 PM
Registration: 9 AM–12 PM

Cornhole Tournament Starts at 1 PM
/ Family Activities: *Register by 09/01/2023*

Silent Auction: 3–7 PM

Live Entertainment: 5–9 PM



For pre-registration and full event details, visit www.givebutter.com/HAF2023 or scan the QR Code.

