



# A VIEW FROM THE PRAIRIE

## THE EXCHANGE CLUB OF FALCON

### WHAT'S AHEAD...

#### CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION:

September is 'National Baby Safety Month.'



The CAP Committee will make a donation to KPC Kid's Place September 9<sup>th</sup>.



#### COMMUNITY SERVICE:



McGruff the Crime Dog

October is Crime Prevention and Fire Prevention Month

Sparky the Fire Dog



Guest Speaker at our 9/15 meeting will be Daryle Moore who will talk about an event he is planning to raise funds for the Wounded Warrior Program.

### General Membership Meeting – August 18th

A regular membership meeting was held at Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> at the Golden Corral. President Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05pm and introduced guests Tina Bates, a prospective member and Jean Woolsey from High Plains Helping Hands. Secretary, Kristen Phillips announced the September Birthdays for Francisco Rivera and Joe Bauer and Anniversaries for Sarah and Byron Cutting; Wanda and Tim Perry and Francisco and Angelica Rivera. She also announced the upcoming Convalidation of Marriage for Doug & Pam Ingalls.

The invocation was led by Wally Reeder, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Andy Condor, and the Covenant of Service was led by Leonore Misner.

Doug Ingalls welcomed the new members and read the Membership Obligation. The new members received their pins. Lisa Day was pinned by Ursula Miller. Lark Jacobs was pinned by Sheila Enos. Wallace (Wally) Reeder was pinned by Bob Miller.

President Bob Miller spoke about three kinds of people; those that watch it happen, those that wonder how it happened and those who make it happen. He asked the members to consider what kind of person they are.

The August 4, 2009 minutes were approved as corrected and the treasurer's report was approved as read with the Operating account showing a balance of \$2,604.46 and the Activities account balance of \$15,578.16.

**Americanism:** Chairman Doug Ingalls, along with Joe Bauer, Dale Misner and Andy Condor, visited the Calhan School on August 14, 2009 to determine where the Freedom Shrine will be located. The plaques have arrived and need to be mounted on stained plywood board. Ten gross (1,440) of small flags have been purchased for the Give a Kid Flag program.

**Child Abuse Prevention:** Chairperson Ursula Miller showed the Shaken Baby simulator doll received from Reality Works to the membership. September 9, 2009, Jennifer West of KPC Kid's Place will train volunteers on how to demonstrate the doll. The club will donate \$250 of various items such as Baby on Board car signs, individual juices, crackers, fruit cups and outlet covers to the shelter that day. Falcon Fire Department would like a demonstration of the doll. We will have a contest to determine what to name the doll at the next general membership meeting. Committee members will donate 20 blankets to the Victim's Assistance Unit at their meeting on August 24, 2009. Ursula brought up that monetary donations to the Boy's Ranch would not be a good fit for the club, as most residents are 17-19 years old. Leonore mentioned that one of the Convention speakers was a young man that appreciated help after he turned 18, as children are no longer in the Youth system.

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## General Membership Meeting continued...

**Community Service:** Chairperson Leonore Misner reported that \$610 has been raised to date for the craft fair booth rental. The Falcon senior group is not interested in having a booth. Leonore gave flyers to the members to pass out to friends and neighbors. Leonore distributed flyers at the Black Forest Craft Fair. Some businesses may be included if space is available. Sarah Cutting will put the information on Craig's list. She has extra brochures if needed. Pam will price out the cost of making decorative soap bars to sell at the event. Bob will solicit volunteers and crafts people at the September 12, 2009 Woodman Hills Craft Fair. October is Crime Prevention and Fire Prevention month. Leonore will pursue obtaining names of volunteers that should be recognized. Bob has talked with the Fire Chief, and the Chief has someone in mind to recognize. Lane Sherman has a big box of hockey cards to donate to the club. The club will find a way to have them evaluated and to sell them. Leonore Misner passed out prospective membership brochures that were printed free of charge by the UPS Store in Falcon.

Dale reported that the website is in progress using a template that can be filled in. There will be a new member orientation on September 8, 2009 at the Woodman Hills Recreation Center West.

Dale related Jean Woolsey's accomplishments to the club. She is the Director of High Plains Helping Hands, which runs a food pantry. In addition, she is working on a thrift store, community kitchen and shelter for abused women.

**Youth:** Chairperson Terrie Wolf will pursue the ACE Awards to a Falcon High School and a Patriot Learning Center student. The club may award as much as \$500 to an individual. The counselor at Falcon High School has not called her back.

**Intra Club Report:** Bob Miller brought forth a fundraiser idea. He received a donation request letter/certificate of appreciation from the heart fund that included address labels. This might be a project the club could do as well.

Bob asked everyone to bring the filled out Membership Prospects form to the next meeting. Anne from the UPS Store tendered her resignation to lack of time because of increased business responsibilities. Linda MacMillan resigned due to health issues. Mary Lou Craybill was recognized for her dedication in calling members to remind them of the meetings.

Pam Ingalls will have surgery on September 9<sup>th</sup>. She reflected that our club brochure was a year old and needed updating to replace people no longer active in the club. It should reflect what Exchange is, who the Exchange Club of falcon is, its accomplishments and goals, the officers and how to reach them, and where donations can be sent.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned by Bob Miller at 8:30.

## WHAT'S AHEAD...

### AMERICANISM:

'Proudly We Hail' Project encourages regular display of the flag by individuals and commercial establishments.

The Americanism Committee is asking the membership to help with this project by keeping a sharp eye out for residences and commercial buildings where the American Flag is regularly flown.



Bring the name and address of each candidate to the meetings in September and the first meeting in October. The Americanism committee will choose one candidate to honor in the last meeting in October.



**Monday, September 7th**



**First Day of Autumn  
Tuesday, September 22nd**

## Certificate Awarded

Child Abuse Prevention committee members, Ursula Miller, Chairperson, Mary Lou Crabill and Sheila Enos went to the home of John and Karen Anderson to present Mrs. Anderson with a certificate of appreciation. Karen Anderson generously donated 25 crocheted blankets she had made by hand.

The blankets will be presented to the El Paso County Victim's Assistance program. The Exchange Club is grateful to people like Karen Anderson who generously give of their time and talent to help others in need in our community.



Mary Lou Crabill, John Anderson, Sheila Enos, Ursula Miller and Karen Anderson



CAP Committee members with members of the Victim's Assistance Program

## Donation made to Sheriffs Dept.

Child Abuse Prevention Committee members, Ursula Miller, Chairperson, Mary Lou Crabill and Sheila Enos were invited to attend the El Paso County Victim's Assistance Programs Advocate meeting, August 24<sup>th</sup> at the Law Enforcement Bureau.

While attending this meeting, the CAP committee members presented Sam McAfee-Aker, Program Coordinator with 25 hand crocheted blankets that had been made and donated to the Exchange Club by Karen Anderson. It is very satisfying when our Club can bring together people and organizations with the intention to help a child.

## Falcon's Newest Club Members

At the August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting we officially welcomed our newest members to the Exchange Club of Falcon.

Doug Ingalls, Americanism Chairman welcomed the new members and read the Membership Obligation. The new members, Lisa Day, Lark Jacobs and Wally Reeder, received their pins and membership certificates.

We are glad to have you in the Club...Welcome!



Welcome to our newest members: Lisa Day, Lark Jacobs and Wally Reeder

## Spotlight

*Each month we will spotlight a different member of the Exchange Club of Falcon. This month we are spotlighting:*



### Douglas A. Ingalls

Douglas Allen Ingalls was born in El Dorado, Kansas. In 1958 when a tornado almost leveled El Dorado, Doug's parents packed up their baby son and moved to Fort Collins, Colorado to start over. After attending school for a while, Doug became a cub scout and eventually became very active in Boy Scouts. He attained the rank of Eagle Scout at the age of sixteen. He spent summers working as a cowboy in Colorado, Wyoming and Kansas, where he developed an interest in Rodeo.

At the age of seventeen Doug enrolled in Colorado State University with the plan to obtain a degree in Forestry Range Science. After two years at college, Doug's plans changed when, at the age of nineteen, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served as an Interior Communications Tech. from 1978 to 1984. The training Doug received from the Navy gave him his interest in a possible future as an Electrician. After his enlistment was over Doug worked the professional Northwest and Mountain States Rodeo circuits where he rode bulls and bareback horses. After leaving Rodeo, Doug worked as an Electrician Apprentice. At age 29, Doug decided to return to college at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs to obtain a degree in Engineering. While attending college, mutual friends introduced Doug to Pamela Tait. They were married in November, 1993. Doug graduated from UCCS in December, 1994 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. He works as a Systems Engineer at Shreveport Air Force Base.



Doug was moved by the Catholic services held for his sister after her death in December, 2006, and wanted to learn more about the Catholic religion. Doug started attending RCIA classes in 2007 and was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church, Easter 2008. He and Pam recently had a Convalidation Ceremony in which they became married in the Catholic Church. Doug is also currently an Advocate with the Knights of Columbus.

Doug's interests range from gardening; shooting; horseback riding; hunting; fishing; sewing; leather and wood working; and hand-loading to tying flies. He is a voracious reader and loves to travel to California to spend time with his step-son, daughter-in-law and five granddaughters. Doug joined the Exchange Club of Falcon in June, 2008 and is a current member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Americanism Committee.

#### QUOTABLE QUOTES:

“Treat a man as he appears to be, and you make him worse. But treat a man as if he were what he potentially could be, and you make him what he should be.”

“We are never deceived; we deceive ourselves.”      “Whatever you can do or dream, begin it.”

“So divinely is the world organized that every one of us, in our place and time, is in balance with everything else.”

***Johann Wolfgang von Goethe***

*German dramatist, novelist, poet & scientist (1749 – 1832)*