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Crime Prevention Month

Crime is a serious problem that must be dealt with in our society. Not only does criminal activity cost billions of dollars each year and untold suffering and heartache, but the corruption it causes can also corrode government and business and dull our national morality. We, Exchangites of Temple-Belton celebrate Crime Prevention Month by honoring those brave Police Officers who protect their communities. Through the great work of our dedicated Police Officers the crime rate is at an all time low and justice has been served to those who violate our laws. We proudly honor those Police Officers of the year for 2016.

Police Officer of the Year Belton, Texas



Officer James Szobota

On August 16, 2016 Officer Szobota responded to a call for service concerning a suspect who had fled from the scene of a stabbing. He located the suspect

a short distance away covered in blood. The suspect charged Officer Szobota while he had the suspect at gunpoint, Officer Szobota made a quick decision, despite not knowing if the suspect was still armed and he transitioned from his firearm to Taser. After a brief struggle, he was able to take the suspect safely into custody. Thanks to Officer Szobota's quick actions, a violent individual is off the street and the victim's family will get justice for the tragic loss of their loved one. The Awards Committee noted Officer Szobota's display of courage, good judgment, and high regard for human life is commendable. Police Chief Ellis stated: Thanks for recognizing the outstanding performance of a member of the Belton Police Department; Chief Ellis, Belton Police Department.

Police Officer of the Year Temple, Texas



Officer Nicholas Teer

Officer Teer has many duties within the Department. They include: Field Training Instructor, Academy Instructor, SWAT team member, and patrolling his assigned area within the COPS Unit. Officer Teer is one of the Officers who sits on the hiring board. Most importantly, he was instrumental in the success of the department's inaugural Junior Police Academy. This was the first time we had students between 14 and 18 years of age go through a course similar to the Citizen's Police Academy. He did all the background investigations of applicants and created the entire curriculum for the new class. Eleven students attended the eight day school and it was a resounding success. He is a leader and teacher; dedicated to serve the citizens of Temple.

Save the Date

1. October 4: General Membership meeting. Belton Firefighter of Year Award.
2. October 18: Temple-Belton Police Officer of the year.
3. October 22: NDOS Donate food items to Helping Hand Ministry.
4. November 1: One Nation Under God Luncheon. Guest Speaker: Chaplain Dave Archer.
5. November 8: Election Day. Go Vote!
6. November 11: Observed Veterans Day Activities and 11/11 events.
7. November 13: Daylight Saving Time ends. Turn your clock back one hour!



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Nancy LeChuga
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Ursula Rushing

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Larry Holly

Imd Past-President
Geraldine Lorio

Meeting!

General membership meet every first and third Tuesday of the month at Noon and BOD meet every third Tuesday of each month, 1pm at the Cotton Patch Cafe, Temple, TX. located in the Temple Mall. POC: 254-289-1292.

Board of Directors

Christine Simon
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Exchangite of the Month



Immediate Past-President *Geraldine Lorio*

Geraldine joined the Exchange family in July, 2010. She is always available to help those in need and serves graciously on many of the committees at club level. Geraldine has served as Club President of Killeen and Temple-Belton. Currently, she is serving in the Texas District as Exchange Excel Club Director for all Killeen Independent School District High schools. See Lorio, 3

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Geraldine is a volunteer with the Killeen Police Department Kid Watch Program and watches out for children on their way to and from school. She also volunteers at West Ward Elementary, where she reads and talks to the children. At Christmas time, she is in charge of the Angle Tree Program through the American Legion Auxiliary 223 and gives new coats to needy children. This year she secured 72 book bags with school supplies for underprivileged children. She is an Exchangite with a heart.



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National Day of Service

The National Day of Service community project was observed on October 22, 2016 by supporting Helping Hand Ministry with food items donated by Exchangites. Helping Hand Ministry was originally established in 1995 in a small house in Belton TX. Once they realized the need to help folks with additional needs, they purchased their current building in 2008 which is available to residents of Belton and Academy School Districts. Ministry serve 3,400 residents per week.



L—R: President-Elect Rushing, President LeChuga and Director Murphey

District Mid-Winter Conference

- **Where:** Historic Emily Morgan Hotel, San Antonio, TX
 - **Date:** January 20 - 22, 2017
- Reservations will start November 19 thru December 21 only!**

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