

## Noon Meeting – Tuesday, August 18, 2009



Thomas Hill from the United Way of Cass Clay, was our guest speaker, hosted by member John Shockley.



Thomas Hill gives us an update on the Backpacks for the United Way program – we donated 40 loaded backpacks to the program.



New President Kevin Skoog presenting the Past President plaque to last year's President Greg Mastrud.



Past President Greg Mastrud congratulating the 2008-2009 Exchangeite of the Year – Larry Lubben.

Today's meeting was lead by President Kevin Skoog. Last year's President, Greg Mastrud, gave us a brief update review of this past year's activities. He handed out certificates of appreciation to members who, Greg felt, made a contribution this year. He also named Larry Lubben as the 2008-09 Exchangeite of the Year. John Shockley introduced our program speaker Thomas Hill from the Unite Way. Thomas was here to thank the WF Exchange Club for their donation of 40 backpacks to the United Way of Cass-Clay's Backpack Project. They handed out 4,114 backpacks to children in the Fargo, Moorhead, and West Fargo area – about 1,000 backpacks this past Thursday at the WF Veterans Arena. 85% of the students who received Backpacks last year received Free or Reduced Lunch at their schools so this program really makes a difference. The filled backpacks have a value of about \$30 in school supplies and for the backpack. Through donations and purchasing supplies in volume and from wholesalers, the United Way was able to keep the cost to about \$14 per backpack. The United Way has other projects such as Imagination Library and Day of Caring. Thanks, John, for the program.

**Attendance – 20 Members and 2 Guests**

**Meal – Scalloped Potatoes and Ham, Garden Peas,  
and Fresh Fruit Salad  
Dessert – Coconut Cake**

**Program – John Shockley  
Meeting Leader – Kevin Skoog**

