

Exchange Newsletter November 1, 2005 Volume 11, Number 5 Publisher The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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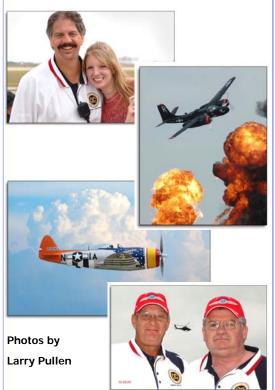
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### **President's Message:**

A roaring round of applause for all who helped with Wings Over Houston Air Show. Much obliged to Jim Kij and Paul Barnett for organizing the event.

The ECSL Board voted to designate the money we earned to the YMCA for the garden being built in memory of Cheryl Welsh.

It was a beautiful weekend and we all had a lot of fun. The stunts and Pearl Harbor reenactment were breathtaking as were the many planes on display. Let's do it again next year!



#### On" ands Exchange

# **One Nation Under God**



score and seven years ago," eighty seven years ago there was celebration across America. In 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month, America and the world rejoiced and celebrated. After four years of bitter war an armistice was signed. World War I the "war to end all wars" was over. In 1921, an American casualty of World War I was buried in Arlington National Cemetery, identified only as the Unknown Soldier, representing all of those lost and unidentified. Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France.

These memorial gestures took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I fighting at 11 a.m. In 1926 the holiday was officially named Armistice Day and in 1954 renamed to Veterans' Day, to honor all who have served in the armed forces of our country.

As part of the Exchange Covenant of Service we have all pledged "To discharge the debt I owe to those of high and low estate who have served and sacrificed that the heritage of American citizenship might be mine".

Please join us on November 9<sup>th</sup> for the One Nation Under God luncheon (no breakfast that day) as we honor those who have served our country.

Norma



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by Larry Pullen

### SANTA'S EXCHANGE -"THINK OUT OF THE BOX!"

President Norma Reyna and Co-chairs Amy Mitchell and Jake Messinger challenged Exchangites at the Santa's Exchange kick-off to bring a new unwrapped toy to every ECSL breakfast meeting from now until Dec. 14. You can also pick up a toy collection box for your church, school or business.

Members of the Exchange Club of Sugar Land, Sugar Land Rotary, Ft. Bend Exchange and FBISD have already begun gearing up to obtain the thousands of toys needed for this vear's event. We not only are going to be providing toys to the over 3000 Fort Bend children we usually serve, this year we also will be trying to address the needs of the over 1400 Katrina and Rita victims who are presently enrolled in FBISD.

If you have volunteered to take a collection box to a Fort Bend ISD school, please deliver it on Monday, November 14. Please give the school your contact information so they can call you when the box needs to be emptied. All toys and boxes need to be picked up from the schools on or before December 13, 2005. You can start bringing toys the to First Colony Church of Christ on December 12, 2005 which is when we will begin sorting and tagging.

Sorting and Tagging: 6-9 p.m.

December 12, 13 - 15, 16

No sorting on Wednesday the 14th

SANTA'S EXCHANGE- SAT.-DEC. 17

SET UP 6:30 a.m.

### Main Event 9-4

#### Cleanup 4-?

We need at least 500 elves (and teen helpers) to set up, work the event, and clean up. Please help in any way you can. Thanks.

Contact: Jake Messinger jake@jakes.org or Amy Mitchell amitchell@dawray.com.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:** SERVICE TO SENIORS

Nov. 4, 2005, 11: 30 a.m. Help seniors celebrate their birthdays at the 5th Street Community Center in Stafford. **Tony Ackerman** tonyackerman@sbcglobal.net

Dec. 2, 2005 11:30 a.m. No matter what - I am taking off of work on Friday, Dec. 2 for the big Christmas celebration with the Seniors. So, if you can make it please do. Mary Jo Salvagio

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### **REUNION BREAKFAST**

November 2, 7:00 a.m.

Invite a prior ECSL member to breakfast to reminisce.

Brenda Robinson brendar143@aol.com

### **ONE NATION UNDER GOD LUNCHEON**

November 9, 2005 11:30 a.m. Sweetwater Country Club. We are hosting this event which will include Ft. Bend and Quail Valley Exchange Clubs. No morning breakfast meeting for ESCL - just come to lunch! Naren Patel wellpatel@aol.com

### SANTA'S EXCHANGE DEC. 17

Save the date! SPAGHETTI DINNER, February 24, 2006 95TH BIRTHDAY OF EXCHANGE, March 27 LIGHT OF HOPE CEREMONY, April 1, 2006



Randy Arbuckle, Sam Cress, Doug Ehrenkranz, Bill Overka, Bill Duecker, Doug Earle, Richard Early, Carolyn Pope, Ron Pope, Wayne Stone, Steve Metzenthin, Chris Breaux, Sharon Ring Rollins, Nancy Dobert, Thomas Abraham, Larry Pullen, Mark Eyring, Helen Cordes, George Head, Lisa Osborne-Poynor, Clark Walter, Cheryl White Mynar, Deborah Wilkins, Brian Crissman

## **EXCHANGE FALL SOCIAL**

Thanks to Bill and Martha Quinn, Exchangites were able to kick back and have some fun at the Fall Social this year. Fabulous food was provided by Brookstreet BBQ. Special thanks to Naren Patel for the use of the Comfort Suites Ballroom.

John Todd receives kudos for the tasty libations, and "don't the gym look good tonight?" was due to Sue Lockwood's decorating talents.

Jake Messinger again stepped up as DJ and provided the colorfully dressed attendees with great music all night.



The Fabulous Miss Norma and her flamenco dancers. (I-r) President Norma Reyna, Paul DeMarsh, Barb and Kent Reynolds, Jerry and Pam Hurst, Suzie and Robert Kern.



Wicked witch, Sue Lockwood, tried to eliminate Good Witch Mary Cook from the costume contest!

The costume contest



winners were

Special thanks to our great photographers Jorge Marra, pictured here with Alicia, and





Brenda Robinson

and Ben and

Carolyn Lobdell

Samurai Larry Pullen, pictured with his Geisha Brenda.