Exchange Newsletter

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The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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Sugar Land, Texas

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"Hands On" Exchange

Club President Norma Reyna and Badges of



Courage founder Mike Flory

Photo by Larry Pullen

Message from the President:

With our second month coming to a quick close, I'd like thank all members who have stepped up to the plate and have gotten involved, gotten "hands on".

"Service to Seniors" continues to be a big hit with all our seniors at the 5th Street Community Center. Thanks to **Mary Jo Salvaggio and Tony Ackerman** for your continuous efforts in co-coordinating the birthday celebrations for our seniors.

The Sunshine Special involved taking underprivileged kids to a Texans football game. Thanks to all volunteers who gave of their time to chaperone theses kids to the "Big Game". A special thanks to **Paul DeMarsh** for helping coordinate this event.

Kudos to **Karen Makin** for "stepping up" to coordinate our "Walk with Pride" event. There are hundreds of children sporting new shoes in school this year. Great job!

If you missed the "Road Rally" social last Saturday, you missed a great time. Clark Walter poured countless hours on this venture with clues, trivia and questions that still have some of us puzzled! Thanks to Jeanette and Mike for hosting us at

move forward to "Badges of Courage" on September 10th in conjunction with First Colony Mall. This event will be tied into September 11th and it is essentially a crime prevention/ charitable organization show in the mall, with speakers and award presentations to local officers of EMS, police and fire departments. This year's "Life Time Achievement Award" will be presented to our very own **Sheriff Milton Wright**.

All of this activity in just two months has me excited about the great things happening during the rest of the year. You all have started this year with "hands on" in a big way! Thank you and let's keep it going!

Norma



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not pictured, Mark Hanna

Photo by Larry Pullen

WALK WITH PRIDE

On August 7th and 14th, 660 children received new shoes so they could "Walk with pride" into their classrooms on the first day of school.

Payless Shoes Stores in Sugar Land and Rosenberg participated in a free shoe give-away for needy children.

Photo by Sue Lockwood



The children were measured and assisted by volunteer shoe "salespersons," like **Jim Lockwood**, from The Exchange Club of Sugar Land in selecting a new pair of shoes.

September Birthdays



Bill Schwer, Nora Sim, Stuart Miller, Nancy Castellvi, Debbie Dauterive, Amy Estrada, Donna Mulhollem, Tony Ackerman, Jennipher Mulhollem, Norma Reyna, Sharon Medford, David Chambers, Deborah Cogan, Harish Jajoo, Harold Ward, Yu Tai Chang, Jim Shaw, Bob Dunham, Kent Reynolds, Arlene Rolsen, Karen Makin

"GROW TEAM"

Doug Earle, our Membership Chair, has recruited me to head up a "Grow Team" so that we can realize Norma's goal of overtaking the all-male club of Charleston, SC to become the largest Exchange Club in our land. Following is a list of the current top 10 clubs in **EXCHANGE:**

Club	iviember
	count
Charleston, SC	264
Sugar Land, TX	231
Nashville, TN	195
Rome, GA	186
Macon, GA	183
Albany, GA	175
Augusta, GA	170
Savannah, GA	167
Tallahassee, FL	160
Fort Worth TX	160

Fortunately, we have a very dynamic and fun club and we live in a very fast growing suburbia so I am confident we can do it. We are going to have to stay focused on inviting guests to breakfast each week. Once guests attend breakfast, our Club will take care of the rest - that is, converting them to new members.

Consider passing along the privilege of Exchange to a friend, neighbor, colleague, acquaintance, etc. Guest invitation cards will be available on the House table in the foyer if someone would like to mail an invitation first and then follow-up personally or with a phone call.

Scott McClintic



Proud parents **Aimee** and **John Braswell** announce the birth of their son, John "Jack" Burton Braswell III. Born on August 25 at Methodist Sugar Land Hospital. Mom, Dad, and son are doing fine.

Photos by Larry Pullen



Another Visit from the Stork



Ryan and Amanda Taylor gave birth to a beautiful little girl, Hailey Jeanne Taylor, on Monday, August 22nd. She weighed 9lbs even and was 21" long.

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BADGES OF COURAGE

Saturday, September 10, 2005



Photo by Larry Pullen

Sheriff Milton Wright to receive Lifetime Achievement Award at 5th Annual "Badges of Courage" Recognition & Remembrance Day

The Badges of Courage "Recognition and Remembrance Day" will be held Saturday, Sept. 10, at First Colony Mall in Sugar Land. The mall is partnering with the Exchange Club of Sugar Land for this special event to remember those officers in Fort Bend County who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

The all-day event concludes with a ceremony inside the mall at 3:30 p.m. to salute and present a special award to one member each of the police, fire and emergency medical services personnel, as well as the lifetime achievement award. Service vehicles that will be on display outside include a military HumVee, a presidential limo, a military helicopter, and various other fire and rescue vehicles.

A chili cook-off will commence at noon, with winners being announced at 3 p.m.

A Blood Drive will take place from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Exhibits will be set up in the mall to educate Fort Bend County citizens on the programs and services available from nonprofit agencies and community service groups.

A walk of honor with an honor guard will list those in Fort Bend County who have died in the line of duty. Current sponsors are Pappa La Rosa Flying Pizza and Restaurant, Cigar, Cigar, and Early, McClintic, and McMillan. For sponsorship information, contact **Paul Barnett** at 713-822-4612. For information visit www.ecsl.org or contact **Leslie Vyoral** lesliev@gasunlim.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS: SERVICE TO SENIORS

Friday, September 9, 11:30

Help Seniors celebrate their birthdays at the 5th Street Community Center in Stafford.

Contact: **Tony Ackerman** tonyackerman@sbcglobal.net



WINGS OVER HOUSTON

The 21st annual Wings Over Houston Air show is scheduled for Oct. 8-9 at Ellington Field. Featured acts are the Canadian Forces Snowbirds Jet Demonstration Team, F-18F Super Hornet, AH-64 Apache Attack Helicopter, the A-10 Thunderbolt II ("The Warthog"), the F117 Stealth Fighter, numerous aerobatic acts including local champion Debby Rihn-Harvey, and Tora! Tora! Tora! a recreation by the Commemorative Air Force of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor December 7th, 1941 that will make you feel you are there.

Wings Over Houston is the scene of one of ECSL's newest community service/ fundraising opportunities. We will work the gates on Saturday and Sunday in exchange for a sizable donation to our club and get to enjoy this exciting air show. Plan to be there on the second weekend in October.

Contact: Paul Barnett

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www.wingsoverhouston.com

HALLOWEEN PARTY



Finday, October 28, 7:00

Fun social at Comfort

Fun social at Comfort Suites. Costume contest, games, dancing and dinner. \$15 per person. Contact: **Bill Quinn** billguinn34@aol.com

ONE NATION UNDER GOD LUNCHEON

November 9, 2005

SANTA'S EXCHANGE

****Date Change****

December 17, 2005



Photo by Sue Lockwood

SANTA'S EXCHANGE

Santa's helpers are preparing for the big day coming up on December 17, 2005. Members of the Exchange Club of Sugar Land and the Sugar Land Rotary Club in conjunction with many supporters have begun gathering thousands of toys which will be distributed to needy children in Fort Bend County.

Families are pre-qualified and then sent an invitation to "shop" at First Colony Church of Christ. The children are entertained with crafts and games while their parents, escorted by club members and student volunteers, choose toys and gifts for the children. They even get to meet bi-lingual Santa!

Last year over 3,000 children, who might otherwise have received nothing for Christmas, were provided with gifts.

Exchange Club and Rotary members have already set the "sleigh" in motion by purchasing "special buys" on toys.

Monetary donations as well as new unwrapped toys are welcome. Toys may be dropped off at participating FBISD schools as well as many businesses in the area. For more information or to request a box for your place of business, contact Amy Mitchell (281) 300-7323 amitchell@dawray.com or Jake Messinger (281) 772-5000 jake@jakes.org

Save the date!

SPAGHETTI DINNER

February 24, 2006

LIGHT OF HOPE CEREMONY

April 1, 2006