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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Photo by Larry Pullen

Dear Exchangites,

With preparations for our Spaghetti Dinner well underway, I want to take this opportunity to explain to all of you that this is the event that funds our projects of service. The success or failure of this fundraiser will determine how much money we give to our community.

If you are not actively involved in one of the many committees that are already formed, please call Chris Connolly or me. We will make sure you are involved. Even if you are unable to attend the dinner (Feb, 29, 2008), we expect you to help. As Exchangites we need 100% participation.

One of the best ways to help is by selling Raffle tickets. Greg Oelfke has distributed envelopes to all club members with good instructions on how to sell the \$100 tickets. Our goal is to sell at least 650 tickets.

I believe that if we all do our part, we will have the most successful spaghetti dinner ever. Please get involved. Clark

Hardee Investment Group Spaghetti Cook Off Sponsor

Jim Kij (left) and Chris Connolly (right) are all smiles as they announce **Will Hardee** (driver) of Hardee Investment Group as the **title sponsor** of this year's 21st Exchange Club of Sugar Land **SPAGHETTI COOK OFF**.

Hardee's sponsorship will underwrite the raffle drawing grand prize, a 2008 Mercedes Benz **SMART CAR**. This is the major fundraiser portion of the spaghetti dinner cook-off.

Smart Car Raffle Prize

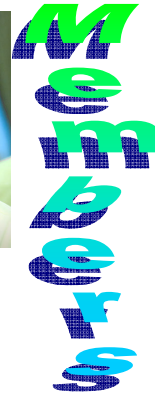




Pat Conway is a returning member of the club sponsored by **John Novak**.



Dave Fauver sponsored by **Bob Hargarther**



Shelley Secula-Gibbs sponsored by **Doug Earle**.

Freedom Shrine

Meadows Elementary School, FBISD proudly displayed their Freedom Shrine. ECSL President Clark Walter, Dave Kiger, Assistant Principal Beth Davis, Pat Conway, Brenda Robinson, Principal Irma Cobos, and students participated in the dedication ceremony.



Guest speaker **Lyn Storm**, Executive Director of **Fort Bend Family Promise**, explained that the purpose of Family Promise is to provide shelter, meals, and comprehensive support to families without homes. Participating congregations furnish sleeping accommodations and meals. The Family Promise center provides the families with shower, care for pre-school children, and assist the adults in seeking employment. School age children are transported to school and working adults are transported to work. www.fortbendfamilypromise.org



Doc's Farewell Salute



David (Doc) Murdock, Master Chief Petty Officer USN (R), joined the Exchange Club of Sugar Land in May of 2001. He immediately became a dedicated member concentrating his efforts with the Americanism committee. He started the **GIVEAVETAFLAG** program which was recognized by the National Exchange Club as a new Americanism program. As leader of this program, Doc coordinated quarterly visits to the VA hospital in Houston to hand out American flags and socialize with veteran patients. He also started the "Defenders of Liberty" award which honored club members who served our country in WWII and the Korean War. Doc has been influential in coordinating the "Eternal Flame" exhibit in the WALK OF HONOR section of the Spaghetti Dinner. We will miss Doc's dedication and his willing attitude toward all of our Exchange Club service projects. We wish him only the best as he relocates to Tennessee.

February Birthdays



C. J. Eaden, Robert Kern, John Hancock, Betty Baitland, Dave Kiger, Brian Walters, Jim Richard, Dana Atkinson, Leigh Marsh

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