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Child Abuse Prevention Month



Exchange Club of Sugar Land President, **Betty Baitland** presenting a check to **Ruthanne Mefford**, Executive Director of Child Advocates of Fort Bend County.



The Blue Ribbon Team: Jake Messinger, Robert Mitchell, Karen Daly, Amy Mitchell and students from Clements HS.

President's Message

April provided an opportunity for the Exchange Club of Sugar Land to highlight National Child Abuse Prevention month. As committee chair, Karen Daly coordinated the various activities, with able assistance from her committee members Margo Pasko, Vita Goodell, Jake Messinger, Farha Ahmed, and Matt Dent.

Ruthanne Mefford organized the programs, so that each week in April our club members were made aware of the impact of child abuse in Fort Bend County and of the various agencies and individuals working to combat it. In addition, our members tied blue ribbons on trees throughout the neighborhoods as a visible reminder of the dangers of child abuse, and also worked with our schools in their school-wide competitions to promote the awareness of child abuse issues. Clearly, our focus was sharp and our message was strong. I appreciate everyone involved in April's activities, and believe that we sent a clear message about the issue of child abuse in our county.

Blue Ribbon Schools Winners



2nd Place Dulles MS

Dulles Middle School check was accepted by teacher/coordinator **Jennifer Spisak**.



1st Place Pecan Grove

Pecan Grove Elementary PTO representative, Jodi Walling accepted a check presented by Matt Dent.



3rd Place Blue Ridge

Blue Ridge Elementary assistant principal Levant Williams is shown with Matt Dent.

Two Great Americanism Events



Our Nation's Healing will Come from the Lord as a Result of Prayer. Join Others in Prayer for Our Families, Churches, Schools, Government, Military and the Media.



Thursday May 6th 2010

Sugar Land Town Square 12:00 noon
Missouri City-City Hall 10:00 am
Stafford City Hall 12:00 noon
Richmond FBC Court House 6:30 pm
Arcola City Hall 3:00 pm
Bri information and offer location: www.nufgri.pm

Fort Bend Salutes America

Fort Bend's 7th county-wide Memorial Day Ceremony Co-Hosted by the City of Fulshear Monday, May 31st 2010 10AM 2nd and Harris Street Fulshear, Texas

- U.S. Coast Guard Fly Over
- Prayers from many faiths
- 21-gun salute
- Patriotic music played by Daystar Project Band (Starting at 9:30)
- Fun activities for the entire family

http://www.fortbendsalutesamerica.com

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Registration form at http://www.tlgcd.org/
ExchDistConvRegForm.pdf

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92nd National Exchange Convention

July 21-24, 2010 La Quinta Resort Palm Springs, CA www.nationalexchangeclub.org



May Birthdays

Roy Miers, Ed Lee, Ron Norsworthy, Linda Johnson, Lisa Anhaiser, Jack Williams, Kay Parker, Ethan Shinogle, Mark Lukin, Reagan Walters, Margie Connolly, Scott Yokley, Mary Jo Salvaggio, Elizabeth Howard, Fred Williams, Gary Panetti, Jorge Marra

Care Corner

Mike and Lana Flory ask for your prayers as Lana goes through breast cancer treatment.

Mike was instrumental in completing the prayer garden in memory of Cheryl Welsh at the Fort Bend YMCA. A group of friends gathered there last week to pray for Lana.







Citizen of the Month

April 2010 First Colony Middle School **Tejus Satish**

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April 2010 Sugar Land Middle School **Mallory Kauffman**

Youth of the Month

April 2010 Kempner High School **Brianna Gifford**

> New Member Bob Linzer With sponsor Matthew Dent

New Member Ray Aguilar With sponsor Harish Jajoo

Outstanding Youth



New Members





We were honored to have **Judge Ron Pope** speak to us about "**Zero to Three**" a unique voice for babies. 85% of brain circuits develop between ages 0-3. Stress and inability to trust produces a chemical in the brain that poisons the developing circuits. Multidisciplinary teams help young victims of child abuse and neglect by pairing child development specialists with family judges to ensure decisions are made and services delivered that best suit the developmental needs of infants and toddlers. Court Team Coordinators **Dr. Ruby Shaw and Connie Almeda** work closely with **Carol Thesing**, Team Lead at CASA to meet the needs of these families. www.zerotothree.org



Greg Oelfke auctioned off several items raising \$500 for the National Exchange Club **Campaign for Kids**.

Never Shake a Baby

A check was mailed to **Evelyn Traylor** for **Shaken Baby Syndrome** education and awareness. Evelyn has now presented that information to over 10,000 students on our behalf.

