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The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m. Sweetwater Country Club Palm Royale Blvd. Sugar Land, Texas

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The incomparable **Doug Earle and his amazing team** led us to a true victory with our 24th Annual Spaghetti Cook-off. It was a record setting year and while the numbers are still coming in, it looks like it may have been our best Spaghetti ever. Congratulations to Jim Kij who sold an

unheard of 85 raffle tickets! My favorite story was Michael Schiff who after the raffle was over, continued to sell raffle tickets. He convinced people to buy tickets because Exchange is such a great cause and sold several raffle tickets post Spaghetti. I call that true dedication and salesmanship. With funds raised from Spaghetti 2011, **Steve Griffith**, our incoming President, can continue to fund and sponsor events such as the CASA Gala for Child Advocates, Boogie for the Fort Bend Women's Center, Best of the West for ARC, the Boy Scouts, Santa's Exchange and other activities and organizations. We continue our quest to support the projects of Doug Earle thanked Rick Conley, Exchange such as the prevention of child abuse, service to seniors, youth recognition, Americanism and many others.



Facilities Manager at Fluor for the use of the cafeteria.

Kudos to Clark Walter and the membership committee, led by Eileen Ihlanfeldt for an outstanding 100th Anniversary of Exchange breakfast. Our National President Margie Miller was our Key note speaker and we learned so much about the fascinating history of Exchange. Margie was presented with a check in the amount of \$1,000 for the Berkey Scholarship Fund. We also were entertained by our energetic District President Elect, Shayla Ivey. What a delightful girl! Nora Sim once again provided beautiful flower arrangements. One of the best parts of the morning was seeing our past Exchangites who came and visited. What a wonderful morning!



Larry Street and Kerry Mazoch, Past National Presidents flank Margie Miller, Current President

Dee Koch, Grant Officer for the George Foundation was given a check for \$1,000 for the Youth in Philanthropy project.



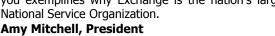


One week after Spaghetti, we participated in the Houston Live Stock and Rodeo Parade along with the other area Exchange Clubs and helped give out over 14,000 flags to area children. Thank you Nick Landowski and his two daughters, Sue and Jim Lockwood, Deborah Galmiche, Brenda Robinson, Jake Messinger, Susan Delclos, her two children and their friend who helped give out the flags.





The Exchange Club of Sugar Land is definitely Rising and Shining in our community. Now is the time to invite that friend or neighbor to Exchange. Each one of you exemplifies why Exchange is the nation's largest National Service Organization.









Dave Kiger Wins County Judge's Volunteer Fort Bend Award 2011



I'm so excited to let Sugar Land Exchange know that **Dave Kiger** has been selected by a panel of judges, as one of the top five individuals to be honored at the third annual **County Judge's Volunteer Fort Bend Awards 2011**. This will be a "rise and shine" breakfast event at **Safari Texas Ranch**, **Thursday**, **April 28 at 7:30 a.m.** We are so happy that Celeste Ryan nominated Dave for his outstanding volunteer service. What a treasure to Fort Bend County!

Kathy Renfrow, Director Volunteer Fort Bend

Upcoming Events

The 5th Annual Bowl-A-Rama Non-Profit Fundraiser, benefiting the Greater Katy Exchange Club



and its programs of service, will take place on March 5th 2011 at Times Square Entertainment, 402 W. Grand Pkwy, Katy, TX 77494, 6:00 to 9:30 PM. The Evening will include hours of food and fun as we bowl from 6:30 to 8:30 PM and bid on fabulous prizes at the silent auction. **\$200.00** *1 Team of 4, pizza and 2 drink tickets,* **\$50.00** Individual, *Pizza, and 2 drink tickets.*

For more information please call Shivani Palaniappan at 281.827.5795

46th Annual Crime Prevention Dinner, Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast Exchange District Saturday, April 30, 2011 6:30 pm, \$65 per person Meridian Banquet Hall, 5200 Bissonnet Houston, TX 77401

The program will feature Harris County District Attorney Pat Lykos
All nominations are due by April 15. RSVP by April 25, 2011
Contact: Pattie Smith-McNeese 979-848-7765 pattiemcneese@sbcglobal.net



Second Annual Helen Cordes Luncheon March 24, 2011

Contact: Linda Schoonmaker | schoonmaker@seyfarth.com



Karen Daly and her Child Abuse Prevention team have planned many events for our **Child Abuse Prevention Month in April**. As you know, this is our main service project that includes our Blue Ribbon Campaign. Blue ribbons tied around trees in the community has become a trademark of the Exchange Club of Sugar Land. Schools compete in a Blue Ribbon Child Abuse Awareness contest. **The Child Advocates of Fort Bend "Light of Hope"** program supported by our Exchange Club will kick off Child Abuse Prevention Month in Sugar Land Town Square on March 25, 2011 at 5:30pm.



Guillermo Cabrera, Susan Whitacre, Robert Manhke, Vita Goodell, Ken Chambers, Louis Garvin, Brent Hunter, Mike Flory, Brenda Pullen Michael Schiff is getting married next week.

Jim Kij sold 85 raffle tickets! What a record!

Ray Albrecht's son inducted as an Eagle Scout

Please keep these members in your prayers.

Greg Oelfke's mother passed away.

Jackie Chaumette's aunt passed away.

Paula Stansell had an emergency appendectomy.

Frank Hicks lost hearing in his right ear.