Exchange Hotline

ECSL President, Steve Griffith

**Himesh Gandhi, Co Chair and
John Robson, Chair of
Santa's Exchange**
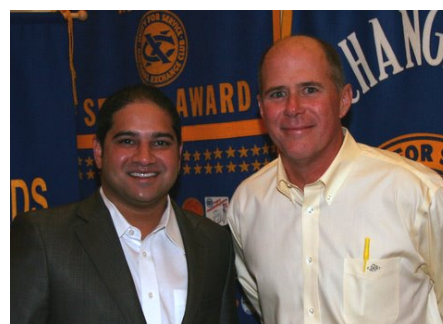
President's Message

The Holiday Season is here! And with the season of family and giving, our Exchange Club has one of our signature events, Santa's Exchange. This year promises to be larger and better than ever. Already, the enthusiasm of **John Robson** and all of his "elves" are contagious. On Thursday, November 17th, the Hyatt Place Hotel, located in Lake Pointe Plaza across from Post Oak Grille, will be hosting our kick off ceremony. Come enjoy free food and libation! All of our partners in Santa's Exchange, Sugar Land Rotary, Fort Bend Exchange, and Methodist Hospital of Sugar Land will be there to help us build momentum for this year's event.

Santa's Exchange embodies our basic tenets, Service and Family. In this event, the family of Sugar Land Exchange joins the family of Rotary and Fort Bend Exchange to provide service to those most in need at a time when no child should be denied the joy of Christmas Gifts.

Over the next few weeks, we will be starting the preparations for the December 17th event. Help John and his elves….not only volunteer for the event, but volunteer to help collect and wrap gifts. The sorting will be held December 12, 13–15, 2011. Your efforts will be rewarded, many times over, through the joy in the faces of those receiving kids!

Steve Griffith, President

**Photos by Ed Lee and Shannon Hayes**

Jeri Krauss, Director of Emeritus at Sugar Land spoke about Alzheimer's and the care facility at 151 Commerce Green Boulevard, Sugar Land. They offer *Retirement Living*, *Assisted Living*, *Alzheimer's and Memory Care*, *Short Stay / Respite Care and On-Site Rehabilitation*.
http://www.emeritus.com/texas/sugar-land/emeritus-sugar-land
"We have promised ourselves that we shall always treat our residents as we would our own loved ones. Nothing less than our best will do."

Honoring Outstanding Youth

Jacob Barrios-Youth of the Month-Kempner HS,
Kyle Friedman-Young Citizen of the Month-SL Middle School,
Seyi Soyebo, Young Citizen of the Month-First Colony Middle School
Vanessa Chen-Youth of the Month-Clements HS
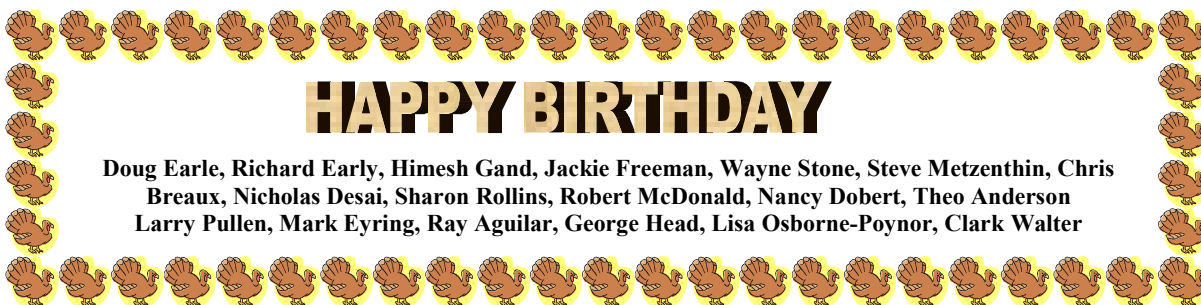
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Doug Earle, Richard Early, Himesh Gand, Jackie Freeman, Wayne Stone, Steve Metzenthin, Chris Breaux, Nicholas Desai, Sharon Rollins, Robert McDonald, Nancy Dobert, Theo Anderson Larry Pullen, Mark Eyring, Ray Aguilar, George Head, Lisa Osborne-Poynor, Clark Walter

Americanism News

There will be a **Freedom Shrine Dedication** on
Wednesday, November 9th, 9:30 am
at James Bowie Middle School.

Our club will host this year's **ONE NATION UNDER GOD** program.
All the Exchange Clubs in Fort Bend county are being invited to attend on
Wednesday, November 16th at our regular breakfast meeting at 7:00 am.

Service to Seniors

Thanksgiving Lunch catered by Emeritus Assisted Living.
Exchangites and Seniors will join in the feast.
Friday, Nov. 4, 11:00 a.m. Surprise vocalist from FB Meals on Wheels.

December "Christmas Program"
Friday, Dec. 2, 11:00 a.m., Mr. L G. Wilkensen will play Carols.
Contact: Mary Jo Salvaggio maryjosalvaggio@gmail.com

November 17—Santa's Social—Hyatt Place, Sugar Land

December 3-Toy Drive-SL Town Square, 9-3
YIP (Youth in Philanthropy) Exchange helpers needed.
Contact: dkoch@thegeorgefoudation.org