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#### The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

4800 Sugar Grove Blvd. Suite 100 Stafford, TX 77477

#### **Weekly Meetings**

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

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### President's Message

Photo by Larry Pullen

What an exciting and busy time the last few weeks have been. I am having a great time and adjusting to facilitating the weekly and board meeting and all the other things that come with being the President. Everyone has been very encouraging, patient and OMG! so helpful. I thank everyone for their help in making sure our club continues to be the "premier service club" it has always been. I also appreciate all the support, kind words and a help that is given to me to help our club flourish.

During our planning sessions and other meetings the Board/Officers and Committee leaders have committed to making this a memorable year with much to accomplish. Our planning session on July 30<sup>th</sup> was productive and exciting as we all discussed club plans for 2012-2013. Each Leader is committed to making a difference in our community and also our club. I am not surprised at the everyone's willingness to work but I am constantly amazed at how everyone steps up to make sure everything is handled and we operate smoothly. We really are a big family that operates like a big connected, well oiled machine.

The program committee has been scheduling great programs and wants to make sure we continue to get the best people to present to our members. The calendar is filling up fast so if you have someone in mind as a speaker please let Clint Chapman know so he can add them to the schedule. Also, please remember, if you are responsible for one of the club event meetings, get with Clint to make sure it is on the calendar.

Time goes so fast when you are having fun! We have already had two wonderful **Service** to Seniors events, Walk with Pride was a huge success and we are getting ready for the **Fort Bend County Fair Parade** and several other activities. Please go to the web site to stay up to date with all that is happening and many opportunities to get involve and serve. Toni Spigelmyer and Al McDonald are working together to make sure the information is updated on the calendar. Please send them your information and they will get it on the web calendar. Thank you Toni and Al.

Hey, are you enjoying the great pictures provide to us my our marvelous photographers? It is so much fun to see the photos and the shots they capture of our members laughing, crying and having a blast so early in the morning. We will continue to have the slide show going and hope you enjoy seeing the pictures. We plan to add announcements and other information as we get into the year.

Let's not forget that this is the 25th Anniversary for the EXCHANGE CLUB OF **SUGAR LAND**, our club. The 25th Anniversary committee is busy making plans to make sure we celebrate and have fun remembering our past as we move forward into the future. Please mark your calendar for October 24, 2012 as that will be the special morning breakfast meeting celebration.

I pray that you are enjoying our meetings and enjoying our club. It is absolutely wonderful to be part of this big, fun and loving group. Thank you for all you do.

Gladys Brumfield

## Walk with Pride



School children received special treatment from the "salesperson" volunteers from Sugar Land and Fort Bend Exchange Clubs and other organizations. 796 children selected by Fort Bend County Office of Social Services went home with a new pair of shoes they can be proud of on the first day of school. To donate toward next years event contact Social Services Director Anna Gonzales (281) 238-3506.

















Congressman Pete Olson spoke to Exchange members about the current situation in Washington DC and some of the difficult decisions that need to be made when congress reconvenes in two weeks. He suggested we inform others and encourage them to vote. http://olson.house.gov

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**Jan Poscovsky** was a speaker from Toast-masters who spoke at the TEDex conference held in Sugar Land on August 25th.. The title of her speech was "Overcome Your Fears." It was a humors talk about overcoming your fear of public speakers. She had all of us laughing about being afraid to go to an event to hear someone give a speech.

**Photo by Shaunna Witt** 



Friday, September 14 — GROOVY PARTY "American Bandstand"

Benefiting Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels 6:30 PM -11:30 PM at *Safari Texas Ballroom* Contact Kristin Weiss <a href="mailto:kweiss@fortbendseniors.org">kweiss@fortbendseniors.org</a>

**Saturday, September 15 — Rotary "Rock-n-Roll" Party in the Ballpark** 6:30—11:00 PM, Constellation Stadium <u>info@rotaryfallclassic.com</u>

Friday, September 28, Fort Bend County Fair Parade "GiveaKidaFlagtoWave"
7:00 AM, Meet in front of Richmond Court House, Contact: Nick Landowski nick.landoski@yahoo.com

Saturday/Sunday, October 27-28, "Wings Over Houston" 6:00—4:00Ellington Field Airshow

(President Gladys says "Put it on your calendar!")

