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#### **Weekly Meetings**

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

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# SPAGHETTI DINNER COMMITTTE MEETING - WEDNESDAY 12/18/13, 5:30PM @ CLASSIC CHEVROLET, 59 & 90A, SUGAR LAND

Spaghetti Chair Sue Lockwood explained to members that Raffle Ticket sales and Sponsorships make up 2/3 of our revenue. So, please try to get companies you know to sponsor a table or an expense and SELL THOSE RAFFLE TICKETS!!! If you need more tickets, you can get them from our



Ticket Team Kevin Barker, Greg Oelfke and Mr. Enthusiasm - Doug Earle.



Fort Bend County Judge Bob Hebert spoke to Exchangites about his fight to prevent Fort Bend County residents from having to buy mandatory flood insurance. Fort Bend County's levies are built above the standard requirements, so flood insurance should be optional for those who live behind these "protected levies." He also spoke about a major thoroughfare plan and a study of Fort Bend County's road system taking place this year.



Farewell to long time ECSL member **Dr. John Novak**. Who is moving out of the area. We will miss you, John.



Spaghetti Sponsor Liberty Litigation Support also collected toys for Santa's Exchange. Thank you for supporting two of our major charitable projects.



Priscilla Oh was honored as Student of the Month by Karen Daly. Priscilla is a senior at Clements HS.



The Greatwood Lunch Bunch gathered at the home of Sue Lockwood for their annual Christmas Luncheon. The ladies all brought toys for Santa's Exchange.

Getting to know Tran Pham Rich... My parents came to America in the 1980s. They escaped Vietnam on a leaky boat with only 3 family photos. They stayed in a refugee camp in the Philippines until they were able find a sponsor. I was born and raised in the small town of Morgan City, Louisiana. We were officially the only Asians in a 30 mile radius! English is actually my third language; Chinese first, Vietnamese second. My husband Andy says I'm still trying to perfect basic phases like "Why don't you make like a tree and get outta here." I hold a degree in public relations. My first real job was



the "stuff the envelope" girl. I worked my way up to office manager, dance teacher and now president of Cookie Joe's Dancin' School. Most of the work we do in the community exemplifies our philosophy of one child at a time. It is a strong belief that we are a village and every child needs guidance. We work with Star of Hope, children with special needs and kids in our studio. We believe it starts with one child.



Getting to know Shaunna Witt... Shaunna Witt was Born Oct 24 1967 in Clarksburg, West Virginia. She shared her personal stories about her birth, adoption, and childhood memories with Exchangites. Shaunna joined Exchange three years ago and has been very active with the club. She was Spaghetti Silent Auction Chair, Santa's Exchange Co-chair and helped out the photography team. She and husband Randy fed Volunteers at "Wings over Houston." She loves volunteering with her ECSL "Family" and strongly believes in what the club does for our community. When she came to Houston she worked in the Financial Industry for 10 years. Shaunna and Randy married in 1994 and have 2 daughters, Nicole, 16 & Jessica, 11. They always dreamt of owning their own

business. In 1998, they combined their passion for good home-cooked food, hard work, and determination, and started Witt's Catering, Inc. They have volunteered to provide the food and cater the Spaghetti Dinner Sponsor Party on February 6, 2014.

**Photos by Larry Pullen**