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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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Photos by Larry Pullen



Carey Snyder accepted a check for Boy Scout troop 731 in the amount of \$1750 and a check for \$500 for Pack 1133.

Ruthanne Mefford, Executive Director of Child Advocates of Fort Bend presented Gladys Brumfield, ECSL President a plaque for the club's donation of \$20,000. A synopsis of the story on the plaque reads: Once a young girl was walking along the beach where thousands of starfish had been washed up during a storm. She began throwing them back into the ocean one by one. A man approached and said, "Little girl, you can't save all these starfish. You can't begin to make a difference!" She picked up another starfish and hurled it back into the ocean. "Well, I made a difference to that one!"



Amelia Perez, Fort Bend **Literacy Council** accepted a check in the amount of \$2,000

Two new members were inducted into The Exchange Club of Sugar Land. Members welcomed Dr. John Tan sponsored by Ed Lee and Mr. Frank Catania sponsored by Carl Wolford.





Photos by Sue Lockwood

New Exchange Club Member Frank Catania told members about his younger days as a singer with connections to the Mafia and drugs. He spent time in jail where "Jesus found me." Since his release in 1980 Frank has worked with prisoners, spreading the word of God and giving hope to the lost. He has a wonderful voice and sings and speaks with the prisoners in the Christian Carol Vance unit here in Sugar Land. www.frankcatania.com



Gladys Brumfield, Frank Catania, Michele Recupero, Somenico Pazzi and Marco Esposito.



Frank brought his friends from Italy who work with www.CRIVOP.it, which loosely translates as Christian Italian Volunteers of Penitentiary.



The Exchange Club of Sugar Land was the presenting sponsor for the Child Advocates of Fort Bend Gala with a donation of \$20,000 to help abused and neglected children and their families receive the help and counseling they so desperately need. Crissy Nolan and Gladys Brumfield, ECSL President enjoyed the evening.



http://www.cafb.org



Sue Lockwood, CASA, with bid sheet in hand! **Jim Lockwood**, CAFB Board Member with Mermaid, Stoney Minshew and Pirate Shelby Rundle.





Haritha Jambulapati from Kempner High School received the A.C.E. Award and a \$500 scholarship which was presented by Exchangite Clinton Chapman. A.C.E. stands for Accepting the Challenge of Excellence. This program recognizes high school students who overcome extreme adversity in their personal life and still achieve outstanding educational performance and perform community service. Haritha is shown here with her school counselor, her mother and her friend, an exchange student from Germany.

Jennipher Cole, Depelchin Children's Center, received a check in the amount of \$5,000 for Child Abuse Prevention Parenting Classes they hold in conjunction with Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse. **John Robson** accepted the \$5,000 check for FBRC from **President Gladys Brumfield**.





Lidya Osadchey, Executive Director of ESCAPE Family Resource Center accepted a check for \$10,000 for Child Abuse Prevention Parenting Classes. www.learntoparent.org

Brenda Robinson accepted a check for \$300 for Shaken Baby Syndrome awareness education in the schools and prenatal classes.

Save the Date! June 26, 2013
Installation Banquet for our next
President the Honorable Judge
Robert Kern

Contact John Robson <u>jrobson@fortbendcouncil.org</u> (281) 635-5056 Volunteers needed to help plan the event.





Corporate Challenge Bowling Tournament benefiting Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse

May 18, 2013 12:00-3:00 pm @ AMF Stafford Lanes Contact: Doug Earle douge@firstcolony.org

Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast District Exchange Clubs Annual Convention

June 7th - 9th, 2013 • Embassy Suites Hotel 4914 Constitution Avenue • Baton Rouge, LA 70808 1-800-EMBASSY





The 95th National Exchange Club Convention will be held Wednesday, July 10, through Saturday, July 13, 2013, in Greensboro, North Carolina. All convention sessions and meal events will take place at The Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons. Make plans to join us this summer! www.nationalexchangeclub.org

