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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club Palm Royale Blvd. Sugar Land, Texas

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Walk with Pride



The Exchange Club of Sugar Land donated \$500 and "manpower" to **Walk with Pride. Ms. Gonzales** accepted the check on behalf of Fort Bend Social Services from President **Robert Kern**.



Boy Scout Breakfast







Photos by Larry Pullen

Hello Exchangites,

Well, we are off to a good start. Our first event in my term was **Walk with Pride** on August 21, 2013. This year we staffed three stores in Rosenberg and Sugar Land. Ms. Gonzalez of Fort Bend County Social Services reported that together we provided new school shoes for over 1,000 students. That is up from last year and most likely a record. Thanks to our Chairperson **Farha Ahmed** for a job well done.

Boy Scouts of Troop 731 provided a wonderful pancake breakfast for our club. We support the troop with a donation of \$1000 each year.

Our next event is **Give a Kid a Flag to Wave** in conjunction with the Fort Bend County Fair Parade on Friday, September 27, 2013. FBISD is back on board with a school holiday, so we will be handing out more flags than ever. Put on your walking shoes and sign up. For the last 13 years, I have been riding along with other elected officials. This year I will be on the ground with you.

On that subject, be sure you have signed up with a committee, if not, please do so ASAP. We are trying to be more organized this year and I am encouraging Board liaisons and Committee chairs to meet periodically with committee members. Note, committee duties have CHANGED to better mesh with the national guidelines, so if you have questions, see a Board Member, Committee Chair or Club Officer. Don't just assume that since you did something before that this year is the same.

Be sure you have registered with the ECSL website. At last count, approximately 70% of us are registered. It is an impressive website; kudos to Ruthanne, Sue, Charlie, Paul, Brian and others on the committee. Finally, ECSL is one of the top clubs nationally. So, we are adopting the motto of our national president "each one ask one." Share ECSL with your friends and neighbors.

Robert J Kern



Thanks to Chairperson **Farha Ahmed** and new members **Tran Pham** and **Rg Vaughan** who stepped up to be store Captains. Photos were provided by **Andy Rich** and **Sue Lockwood**.



<u>Boy Scout Breakfast</u>





The Boy Scouts of Troop 731 presented the colors at their annual Pancake Breakfast for ECSL club members. Scout Masters **Carey Snyder** and **Eric Wey** were on hand to educate us on their model to promote moral strength, character, citizenship and to develop physical, mental and emotional fitness. A slide show was presented depicting their "outdoor classrooms" in Texas, and white water rafting on the Arkansas River in Colorado. The troop has inducted 12 Eagle scouts since last August.





Country singer **Bill Nash** joined us for pancakes and accepted a check in the amount of \$1,000 for his passion **"Champion Kids Camp."** Bill asked us all to sing along with the song he wrote for Exchange -"You can make a change with Exchange." The camp was founded by Bill and his wife Kim. It is a non-profit organization that was created in the summer of 2001 to provide a positive camp experience for children ages 8-12 who have survived a traumatic event in their lives. For more information go to www.championkidscamp.org

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"Getting to Know You" Members Corner

Immediate Past President **Gladys Jones Brumfield** was born in Monroe, Louisiana. She was homecoming Queen at Bernice High School. She has three grown children, LaMalcom, Temeka and Alisha and 3 grandkids Tyran, Ryan and Wynter. She joined ECSL in 2008 and Walk with Pride is her favorite event. Gladys worked for the YMCA for 30 years and now works at Catholic Charities.





Fort Bend County Fair

GIVE A KID A FLAG TO WAVE

Join us in handing out thousands of American flags to children along the Fort Bend County Fair Parade route Meet at the Old Richmond Court house at 7:00 AM on Friday, September 27, 2013.