



# Exchange Hotline

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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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## **Congressman Pete Olson**

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land was honored to have **Congressman Pete Olson** speak about important issues facing our Nation. Pete is a member of the club. He said that one of the most difficult things about being a Congressman is being away from his family for extended periods of time.

He was given two Exchange Club mugs by **President Robert Kern**—one for home and one for his desk in Washington. He stayed after the meeting to answer questions from individual members.



Photos by Sue Lockwood



## **"Getting to Know You"**

**Charlie Braun** has been married to Lou Braun for 39 years. They have 3 grown children, Diana, Rachel and Matt. Charlie is a marketing service provider for bizINTOUCH. He serves on the ECSL website committee and sends out our email blasts. He really enjoyed being involved in Santa's Exchange. Charlie likes to shoot pool, sing in the church choir and go to Astros games. He has been Ambassador for the Central Fort Bend Chamber Alliance for 3 years.

**Ed Lee** has been a member of Exchange since 2001. He is a Board Member and Chair of the ECSL Photography Committee. Ed was born shortly after his mother moved to Chicago from Hong Kong. They moved to LA where his dad was a chef at Don the Beachcomber Restaurant. He felt a calling to unite people of all Ethnicities. He earned his Doctorate of Ministry at Dallas Theological Seminary. He now serves as lead pastor at Mosaic Community Covenant Church.



Photo by Ed Lee

**Helen Burgess** was born in Ohio. She has 6 brothers and sisters. Fort Bend county has been her home for 30 years. Helen is Chair of ECSL Youth Committee. She has been in Exchange for 2 years. Helen works for a medical practice. She loves working with under privileged and abused children. She reads to Quail Valley Elementary students. She loved trips to the library as a child and is still an avid reader. She wants us to know that she is an open book...what you see is what you get!



President Elect, **John Robson**, presented a \$1500 check to **Carolyn Tarver**, Project SMILE, for school supplies.



Santa's Exchange Chair, **Kevin Barker**, reminded Exchangites to save December 14 to help distribute toys to needy families. We have partnered with Toys for Tots and hope to serve 5,000 children that day. Elves are also need the week prior to sort and tag the toys. [Kevin.Barker@texanacenter.com](mailto:Kevin.Barker@texanacenter.com)



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### 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 27th.

### SAVE THE DATE! October 26-27



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**Charles Dupre, FBISD Superintendent**, spoke about his passion for serving youth & young adults. The district has grown from 40,000 eleven years ago to 70,000 students today. It is recognized on many levels including teachers and staff. Charles' goal is to help students move forward positively and to make the schools in our community outstanding in their performance. The current trend in Education is all about the jobs of the future and what today's students need to learn to hold those jobs. For more information go to [www.fortbendisd.com](http://www.fortbendisd.com)



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## Outstanding Youth

**Ashley Chen**, Clements HS Student of the Month, was introduced by **Amy Mitchell**.

**Helen Burgess** presented Kempner HS Student of the Month **Lianne Martin** shown here with her counselor.



## Our Own Award Winners

Photos by Shaunna Witt



**Cookie Joe** will be receiving The George and Barbara Bush Points of Light Award for Exemplary Volunteer Service.



**Leslie Woods** was named YMCA Volunteer of the Year.



**President Robert Kern** presented **Pat Welsh** with The National Exchange Club Distinguished Club Treasurer Award.



Bill Schwer, Nora Sim, Toni Biggs  
Doc Kessler, Jennifer Cole,  
Lynette Mazur, Harold Ward,  
Kent Reynolds, Arlene Rolsen  
Richard Raymond

**Happy  
Birthday**

Carl Wolford, George Etier,  
Norma Reyna, Olivia Ohl,  
Jim Shaw, Bob Dunham,  
Karen Makin, Harish Jajoo,  
Ramesh Raguthaman