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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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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR CHILD ABUSE Attend the Light of Hope Ceremony Sugar Land Town Square Plaza Friday, April 4, 2014, 6pm - 7pm

Photo by Ed Lee

Ruthanne Mefford, Executive Director of Child Advocates of Fort Bend received a check for \$16,570 from ECSL President Robert Kern. <u>www.cafb.org</u>

Hello Exchangites:

David Lanagan said it best. If you haven't been to a meeting recently, we want you to know that we miss you. We are family, and we are not complete unless you are here. This is particularly important now that John Robson's slate of officers has been nominated. He will need committee chairs and committee members to continue our longstanding tradition of service. Don't let your talents go to waste.

Speaking of talents, we made it as the featured large club in this issue of "Exchange Now." We also made the "Chronicle" in a write up about Spaghetti. Sue Lockwood you are the "gift that keeps on giving."

Keep Scott McClintic in your prayers, he has recently lost his mother and his mother-in-law. Prayers also to Mark Burgess and to Pat Welch, both having serious surgery. Please keep Judge Jim Richard and his family in your prayers as he is in hospice care.

On a more positive note, March 26 we presented checks to the Women's Center, Child Advocates, Sire (the therapeutic horse riding group), Darla Farmer for Strike Out Autism, Doug Earle for cancer "Walk for Life" and Sue Lockwood for one of the Classic Chevrolet Chili cook-off teams benefiting the SL Police Department (we will fund 4 more teams). Your Spaghetti efforts are at work.

April is Child Abuse Prevention month. April 4 at 6 pm is the Light of Hope Ceremony at SL Town Center. Please show your support by attending.

On April 9 ONLY we are meeting at Child Advocates in Rosenberg for breakfast at our normal time and a tour. The month kicked off early as our March 26 program was on child pornography prevention in Ft. Bend.

Larry Pullen is presenting a program on April 2 on "Surviving an Air Plane Crash". Very timely.

Okay, late risers you have every reason to attend an ECSL meeting. Be there or be square. RJK



Internet Crimes Against Children



Child Advocates of Fort Bend works closely with the District Attorney's ICAC department. Sergeant Richard Hahn, Assistant District Attorney Mike Hartman and Investigator Bruce Moats informed Exchangites about the frequency of Internet Crimes Against Children in Fort Bend County. They work hard to put child pornography out of business and child predators behind bars. For information on how to talk to children about cyber crimes visit www.take25.org. To report a missing child or cyber crime visit www.missingkids.com 1-800-THELOST



Youth of the Month Samantha Lan from Kempner HS was introduced by Jan Poscovsky.



Honoring Students



Youth of the Month Praveena Aleti from Clements HS was honored by Shaunna Witt.

Exchange Club Donations

Executive Director Vita Goodell accepted \$10.000 for Fort Bend County Women's Center. **Founder Darla Farmer** accepted \$1,000 for Hope for Three "Strike Out Autism."

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Doug Earle accepted a donation in the amount of \$500 to the American Cancer Society for the "Walk for Life."



SIRE therapeutic horse back riding was given \$1,000 for their work with special needs children.



Citizen of the Month from Sugar Land MS Ashland Westmoreland presented by Clinton Chapman.





Sue Lockwood and May Williams' team was sponsored for the Classic Chili Challenge benefiting the Sugar Land Police Department.

Getting to know Dave Kiger...Dave and Martha have been married 45 years. They have 4 boys, 4 grandsons and 1 granddaughter. Dave served in the Army for 15 years completing 2 tours in Vietnam and then worked for Texas Instruments. He loves volunteering for all Exchange projects, and he also volunteers at St. Theresa's, Nights of Columbus and St. Vincent de Paul. Bob Hargarther was his sponsor to Exchange many years ago.



Getting to know Doug Brinkley...Doug is Chief of Police for Sugar Land. He was born in St. Louis, but raised in Detroit. He became a police officer because he saw domestic violence as a child and wanted to stop it. He wanted to make a difference in someone's life and help clean up neighborhoods. When he served in the US Army Reserves in El Paso he fell in love with Texas. Doug has a daughter and a son. He loves old movies because they have a message and they are wholesome family fun.





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APRIL 9 BREAKFAST MEETING AT CHILD ADVOCATES BUILDING

Classic Chili Challenge April 10, 4:00-8:00 PM

Exchange will sponsor 5 teams. If you want to participate contact Sue Lockwood <u>sklockwood@comcast.net</u>



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Relay For Life of Sugar Land April 11, 7:00 PM Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive, Sugar Land TX Contact : Doug Earle <u>dougesltx@gmail.com</u>

April 23 - 27, 2014 www.sugarlandwineandfoodaffair.com



Telfair Charity of Your Choice Walk 2014 Saturday, May 3, 2014, 8:30 AM Telfair Central Hall, 121 Telfair Central Blvd. Sugar Land, TX <u>http://charityofyourchoicewalk.com</u>





www.nationalexchangeclub.org

Join us May 3, 2014 for the Cinderella Ball Our Gala for the Children At Sugar Land Marriott Town Square <u>www. cafb.org</u>



The 96th National Convention of The National Exchange Club will be held Wednesday, July 9, through Saturday, July 12, 2014, in New Orleans, Louisiana. All convention sessions and meal events will take place at The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel unless specifically noted otherwise. Make plans to join us this summer!

Exchange Club of Rosenberg Car Wash Fundraiser - Friday, April 11, 2014 - 10:00AM-2:00PM Texana West Campus - 4706 Airport Ave, Rosenberg

ESCAPE Celebrity Serve Dinner @ Tony's -April 13, 2014. This year's theme: Emerald City

Crime Prevention Luncheon - Thursday, April 17, 2014 at Quail Valley Golf Course, 2880 La Quinta Dr., Missouri City

TX/LA/GC District Convention, June 6-8, 2014 South Shore Harbor Resort, League City, TX