



# Exchange Hotline

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### Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

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Sugar Land, Texas

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## EXCHANGE

THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUGAR LAND, TX



Rick Smith of Sugar Land Rotary presented Santa's Exchange Chairman **Jim Kij** and ECSL President **Kevin Barker** a check for \$10,000 to help fund toys for Santa's Exchange/Toys for Tots.



### Presidents Message:

Dear Exchangites,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! I am so excited about our upcoming project **Santa's Exchange** that will be held on December 12, 2015 at the First Colony Church of Christ. We are planning to serve 4500 children this year.

You can help between 5:30 and 8:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and all day Saturday. It will be the most **FUN** you will have **Fulfilling Unmet Needs**!

Speaking of unmet needs, please keep our Exchangites who have health issues in your prayers. Please reach out to them and let them know they are missed.

We are so happy when we have guests at the meetings, so please bring a friend or colleague to a meeting this month! It would be the best gift you can give them!

Happy Holidays to Everyone!

**Kevin Barker, President**

## SANTA'S EXCHANGE/TOYS FOR TOTS Time for F.U.N.

**December 7, 8, 10, 11 - Sorting and Tagging 5:30 pm – 8 pm at  
First Colony Church of Christ - 2140 First Colony Blvd, Sugar Land TX 77479**

### Dec 12 SANTA'S EXCHANGE EVENT!! ALL DAY

Here is the link to the Volunteer Sign up! We need all hands on deck, then a few, so please feel free to post via your social media and other groups you might be inviting to have an awesome holiday volunteer experience!

<http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/11169344560108>

Here is a link to the Target Gift Registry. Please pass this on to folks who might like to be involved, but can't come out for whatever reason, please do!!

<http://www.target.com/gift-registry/giftgiver?registryId=5yLw7JrsjWmcv95BxOyQWA>



## Spaghetti Dinner FUN Kick-off December 16, 7:00 AM

Fellow Exchangites, an exciting time is upon us! We are headed into our final two weeks of Santa's Exchange/Toys for Tots. Then we will begin our efforts for **Spaghetti Dinner** with a **FUN Kick-off on December 16th**. I don't know about you, but these are two of my most favorite events.

After joining the Exchange Club, the top three things I have learned are:

- Spaghetti is our major fundraiser which supports our Fort Bend Community Non-profits and Exchange Service Projects.
- We are capable of raising the bar and we must give our best effort.
- None of us is as strong as all of us.

I simply ask that we all reflect on why we joined Exchange. We joined to always do our best to uplift our fellow man. The growing population of Fort Bend County requires the non-profits we support to expand. In order to help them and accommodate requests from new non-profits, we must grow our revenues through increased raffle ticket sales, expanded corporate sponsorships and better quality auction items. We need everyone on board to make this happen. **We are definitely Exchange Strong! We will continue to be Spaghetti Strong!** Rod White, Spaghetti Chair



**Marcie Zlotnik** discussed her experiences in the energy business which led to her current role as owner of the Skeeters Baseball Team and Constellation Field. She discussed how she used her accounting education to help turn around underperforming companies and grow Star Tex energy into a \$500 million dollar business. She stated her greatest achievement was being selected as the Best Place to Work. Her philosophy in every business has been to create happy customers. She discussed how she uses that philosophy in her operation of the Skeeters and how she is striving for 100% satisfaction.

**Vita Goodell**, Executive Director of the Fort Bend Women's Center, showed a video made to celebrate their 35th anniversary of helping survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault and their children achieve safety and independence. [www.fortbendwomenscenter.org](http://www.fortbendwomenscenter.org)

Thanks to **Bob Hargarther** and generous Exchangites, 34 turkeys and \$250 in cash were collected for the Women's Center clients in the Annual Garland Mueller Turkey Drive.



**Cole Kiger**, **Dave Kiger's** grandson, explained his Eagle Scout project to Exchangites. He will be replacing boardwalks in a Nature Preserve near Dallas.

ECSL member Mark Kingston challenged Exchange members to give \$20 and said he would match their donations. The generosity of our members raised \$972 for Cole's project!



### Child Advocates of Fort Bend Christmas Home Tour

December 11 & 12, 2015 - 10 am - 4 pm

Candlelight Tour Friday December 11 from 6 pm - 9 pm

Tickets can be purchased at [www.cafb.org](http://www.cafb.org)

### Start your Holiday Celebration with Music and Dance!

Cookie Joe's Dancin' School will perform at Sugar Land Baptist Church 16755 Southwest Fwy, Sugar Land Saturday and Sunday December 12 & 13, 2015 - 7:00 pm

