



Exchange Hotline

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THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUGAR LAND, TX

Santa's Exchange

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land, Sugar Land Rotary and The Exchange Club of Fort Bend partnered with Toys for Tots of Fort Bend to provide over 15,000 toys for children on Saturday, December 20, 2014 at First Colony Church of Christ.



Photos by Amy Mitchell and Larry Pullen



President's Message

I would like to thank everyone who took part in this year's Santa's Exchange. This is a time honored tradition for ECSL, what we accomplish with the use of volunteers is truly amazing and this year was no exception. Over 1000 families came through the doors on Saturday to participate in Santa's Exchange and as a result we served over 4000 children. That's more children than ever before. Thank you all who took time out of their busy schedule to participate in box drop off, sorting and tagging, set-up, clean up, as well as the Santa's Exchange event on Saturday. The photos only show part of the hard work and enthusiasm of everyone involved. The Exchange Club of Sugar Land, Sugar Land Rotary, The Exchange Club of Fort Bend and Toys for Tots of Fort Bend had a huge job to prepare for the largest Santa's Exchange ever and everyone was filled with Christmas Spirit. Special thanks to **Farha Ahmed** as the Santa's Exchange Chair for her second year. Her patience and humility are so refreshing; despite many challenges throughout the last five months of preparation she is always uplifting and optimistic. Thanks also to **Clinton Chapman** for his technical expertise which helped things run smoothly for all. Please continue to keep Brian Walters and family in your thoughts and prayers. Reagan was always a driving force for Santa's Exchange. Now it's time to set our sights on Spaghetti, our major fundraiser. Happy New Year, John Robson



Santa's Exchange was dedicated to the memory of former ECSL member **Reagan Walters**. Reagan was an integral part of Santa's Exchange for many years. Reagan passed December 14, 2014 as a result of a motorcycle accident. Our sincere condolences go out to her husband Brian and family.



SPAGHETTI KICK-OFF

January 7, 2015 7:00 AM

**READY FOR SPAGHETTI?
PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PACKET WITH
DINNER AND RAFFLE TICKETS**

Spaghetti Chairperson Kevin Barker is asking Exchangites to sell dinner and raffle tickets and obtain business sponsors for our 28th Spaghetti Dinner to be held on February 20, 2014 at Flour cafeteria. You can also help by sponsoring a police or fire department Sauce Team for \$300.

Silent Auction Chair Jan Poscovsky is asking Exchangites to bring in silent auction items. Live auction items are also needed by **Live Auction Chair Shaunna Witt**.

Co-Chair Rod White would like your help in getting small businesses for our Business EXPO in the hallway at Flour. Please let Rod know if you know of someone who would like to promote their business.

Please remember that this is our major fundraiser for the Fort Bend Charities we support.

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Rodney White rodwhite@rw-andassociates.com



Country singer **Bill Nash** (right) led Christmas carols for Exchangites. Kirby Lammers, bass player for Bill Nash and Intern Trainer for **Champions Kids Camp** were given ECSL mugs by President John Robson. Callie Thompson, Miss Cy-Fair Houston, helped the girls at camp with hair and make up for a beauty pageant. Champions Kids Camp is dedicated to the nurturing of children who have survived a traumatic injury, illness, or personal loss. www.championskidscamp.org



Camp photos by Sue Lockwood



After hearing about the great need in Fort Bend county, and participating in the "Red Cup - Change for Children" at Exchange, Cookie and Tran wanted to get the kids at Cookie Joe's Dancin' School involved. "We are always looking for new ways to teach our kids to be blessings and not just receive blessings. We created a contest to help the kids understand that together we can make a bigger impact and it can be fun to help serve others," said Tran. It's true, a little change goes a long way. The amount of change that was collected was \$1675!

Photos by Amy Mitchell



John Robson, Tran Pham Rich, Courtney Parr and Cookie Joe

