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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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Kickoff!



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Front Row (LtoR): Carlos Perez - Childrens Area, Kevin Barker - Spaghetti Co-Chair, Shaunna Witt - Live Auction Co Chair Second Row (LtdR): Paul Barnett – Kitchen Chair, Greg Oelfke – Raffle Ticket Co Chair, Vernon Hunt – Set Up/ Clean Up Chair, Tran Rich – Entertainment Chair, Gladys Brumfield – Live Auction. Third Row (LtdR): Charlie Braun – Advertisement and Program Literature Chair, Kevin Anderson - Beverage Chair, Doug Earle - Raffle Ticket Co Chair

A Message from Kevin Barker:

I am so excited to be the Co-Chair of the Exchange Club Spaghetti Cook-Off Dinner with Rod White. At our kick-off on January 7, 2015 meeting, Papa Rigatoni and Papa Gnocchi along with their "brothers and sisters" talked about the great things we are planning for this year's Spaghetti and the help we are going to need from all of the club members to make the 2015 Spaghetti Cook-off Dinner the most successful ever!

We need the members to sell raffle tickets and dinner tickets to the event. To encourage participation Doug Earle and Greg Oelfke have set up a weekly drawing for those members who sell/ provide the following:

- 1 Sponsorship = 1 ticket for the drawing
- 2 Raffle Tickets = 1 ticket for the drawing
- 2 Silent Auction Items = 1 ticket for the drawing
- 20 Dinner Tickets = 1 ticket for the drawing

Doug Earle has a mantra that he lives by "It is easy to sell tickets if you ask people to buy a ticket. It is hard to sell a ticket if you never ask." Please make it a point to ask.

Why not invite people to have dinner with us! It is a great deal when a family of 5 with 3 kids under the age of 12 can have a meal out for \$20! Please see Nick Landoski and Rene Cannova and ask them how you call sell dinner tickets.

Jim Lockwood needs your help to reach out to potential sponsors to underwrite and support our major fundraiser for the year!



Our biggest need is silent auction items and live auction items. Jan Poscovsky is Chairing our Silent Auction. If you find items that you feel will be a great silent auction item, please bring them to the meeting. If you have auction items you have purchased in the past and do not have any use for, bring them to Exchange! Brenda Kessler has completed a beautiful quilt for this year's auction while bedridden. If she can do it, you can do it.

Shaunna Witt and Gladys Brumfield are in need of items to pair together for our Live Auction! If you have travel points or air miles you would be

willing to donate, we would be ever grateful! Tickets to Sports Events, Time Share Vacations, and of course cute little PUPPIES are great live auction items!

Our Childrens' area is in need of cakes and cookies for the Cake Walk. Please contact Carlos Perez if you can help!



In addition we are in need of volunteers to help in the spaghetti serving line, set up and clean up, front door ticket sales, coordinator of volunteers

and the auction check out area after the event. Please contact the Committee Chairs to volunteer.

It is a fun and enjoyable night for all. It is a night that will keep on giving throughout the next year because the funds we raise go towards the projects we support: Walk with Pride, Santa's Exchange, Give a Kid a Flag to Wave, Freedom Shrines, Book of Golden Deeds, Sunshine Specials, and others. We also support non-profits such as Child Advocates of Fort Bend, Fort Bend Women's Center, Fort Bend Seniors, Texana Center, Arc of Fort Bend, Boy Scouts, and many others.

Please be a part of our team and make this event a great success!







