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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club Palm Royale Blvd. Sugar Land, Texas

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Great Day Exchangites and Exchangites to Be! I am so proud to be a member of the Exchange Club. On September 25, 2015 the Exchange Club of Sugar Land, along with our fellow Exchange clubs, handed out approximately 13,000 flags as a part of our "Give a Kid a Flag to Wave" program during the Fort Bend County Parade. It is an event we do every year and it warms my heart knowing that we are instilling a love for our country to the next generation of citizens.

I am also excited about the upcoming E.S.C.A.P.E. Center Family Walk to Prevent Child Abuse on October 3, 2015 beginning at 9:00 am. The walk will be at the new E.S.C.A.P.E. Center office location at 2410 Hamilton Houston, Texas. The acronym E.S.C.A.P.E. stands for Exchange Supported Child Abuse Prevention Effort and was started by the local Exchange clubs as the first Child Abuse Prevention program for the Houston area. The E.S.C.A.P.E. Center provides parenting classes to families in Houston and Fort Bend County.

On October 17 and 18 the Exchange Club of Sugar Land once again has the privilege of operating the ticket booths for Wings Over Houston. This two day event allows families to see some of the aircraft that was used in World War I and II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The families will also be able to see the Navy's precision flying team The Blue Angels in action! It is a great time for all and in addition the Exchange Club receives a donation that goes to supporting our local non-profits.

I and my fellow Exchangites are deeply saddened by the loss of the Exchange Club of Sugar Land's Founding Chart Member Al McDonald. Al embodied the role of "community servant". Al began his role as a community servant through his service to our Country in World War II and never stopped. Through his servant leadership, and those like him, the Exchange Club of Sugar Land has grown into an organization that truly seeks to Fulfill the Unmet Needs of our community. Al was a big supporter of Santa's Exchange and often worked behind the scenes to ensure that the underprivileged children of Fort Bend County knew that there was a Santa Claus! Al will truly be missed and we ask that you keep his family in your prayers.

If you would like to know how you could be a community servant, I ask that you come have breakfast with us Wednesday morning at 7:00 am at the Sweetwater Country Club located at 4400 Palm Royale Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479. We make it a point to have FUN while also Fulfilling Unmet Needs in our community. I hope to see you there!

Kevin



Judge Kern introduced Texas State Representative Rick Miller who informed Exchangites about bills passed at the 84th Legislative Session. Funds were allocated for education, border security, transportation, CPS and behavioral health. He discussed the reduction of the Franchise tax to help small businesses reinvest money back into their business. Three parcels of land have been appropriated for University of Houston Sugar Land expansion and Texas State Technical college will open next fall in Rosenberg.





New member Rene Casanova. was inducted by Past President Jim Kij. President Kevin Barker stood in for Rene's sponsor Ray Aguilar.

Photos by Sue Lockwood



Susan Sillivan-Forbes, Fort Bend County Fair Manager, spoke about the many fun activities at the Fair such as mutton busting, where little kids ride sheep!



Ella Quiambao was presented as Youth of the Month from First Colony Middle School by **Doug Earle**.

Mona Ou Yang was presented as Youth of the Month from Sugar Land Middle School by **Cookie Joe**.



UPCOMING EVENTS



E.S.C.A.P.E. Family Recourse Center

(Exchange Supported Child Abuse Prevention Effort)
FAMILY WALK

Saturday, October 3, 8:00 am Details at www.learntoparent.org

Wings Over Houston Airshow

October 17th and 18th, 2015 Ellington Field 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Contact Paul Barnett psb1@ix.netcom.com





One Nation Under God Breakfast 8:00 AM

November 11, 2015 at Sweetwater Country Club

Santa's Exchange

Saturday, December 12, 2015 Contact Jim Kij jimkij@comcast.net

