



Exchange Hotline

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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club
Palm Royale Blvd.
Sugar Land, Texas

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EXCHANGE

THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUGAR LAND, TX



Photos by Greg Kramer

President's Message:

Great September Exchangites! Boy did we have FUN month in August! We had gourmet pancakes served up by the Boy Scout Troops and the Exchange Club of Sugar Land was able to provide them over \$3,150 dollars to support the great need they fulfill for the young boys and teenagers in our community.

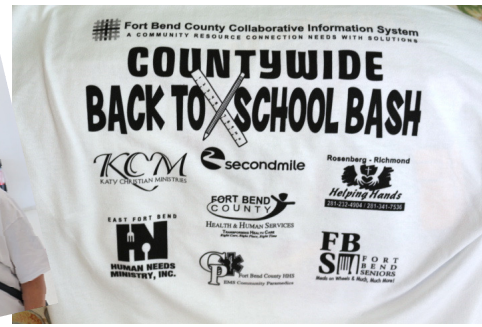
We were privileged to participate in the Countywide Back to School Bash (formerly known as Walk with Pride) in conjunction with the Fort Bend County Collaborative Information System and Fort Bend Social Services. We were able to serve over 690 children and provided backpacks, a new pair of shoes, and school supplies so that they could begin the year prepared and with pride! The Exchange Club presented a check for \$500 to Anna Gonzales of the Fort Bend Social Services in support of this great collaborative the fulfills such a great need in our community.

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land was presented a prestigious award by the Region 6 Child Welfare Board Council for being the Outstanding Community Resource in Fort Bend County for our community projects Walk with Pride, Santa's Exchange and the Blue Ribbon Campaign awareness activities during Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Prevention of Child abuse is the Exchange Club's National Service Project. We have also been submitted for state and national recognition for the services we provide to the needy children and families in Fort Bend County.

Speaking of Santa's Exchange (nice segue if I do say so myself). If you have never been a part of this great event, you do not know what you are missing. It is the one day out of the year we provide thousands of presents to families who would not be able to purchase them because of their economic struggles. You will see continuous smiles streaming not only by the families who select the gifts for their children while the children have a great time with Santa, but from all of the volunteers who sort and tag the toys and help the families shop during the event. You will never work so hard while having FUN!

Our theme this year is Exchange is FUN (Fulfilling Unmet Needs). We would love for you to join us on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am at the Sweet Water Country Club to enjoy the fun we have every week and learn more about the Premier National Service Club....Exchange!

Kevin Barker



Rosenberg Mayor Cynthia McConathy with SL Councilman Harish Jajoo.

Mayor Cynthia McConathy discussed a new development and outlet mall coming to Rosenberg. She discussed the expansion of the Texas State Technical College along IH 69. She and Richmond Mayor Evalyn Moore work closely together to address issues in the Richmond-Rosenberg area.



Dr. Suleman Lalani spoke about Global Poverty and the steps being taken to empower those who live in poverty currently to create a better future for themselves.

Photos by Greg Kramer



ECSL SOCIAL at Stadia Sports Grill was very well attended. Thanks to our Social Chair Sue Sanchez for a fun time.



Welcome New Members

We welcome **Matt Jackson** with his sponsor **Darla Farmer** and **Evelyn Jackson** with her sponsor **Rod White**. Past President **Scott McClintic** officiated the induction ceremony.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Service to Senior's

Friday, September 11, 2015 from 10:30 -11:30 am
5th Street Community Center in Stafford. Contact Helena Arvanites

Fort Bend County Fair Parade

Friday, September 25th, Meet at the Old Richmond Court House 8:00 am
Contact: Nick Landoski nicklandoski@yahoo.com

Child Advocates Voices for Children Breakfast

September 29, 2015, 7:00 am – 9:00 am
at the Sugar Creek Country Club.

Jim McIngvale will speak about his experience as an adoptive parent of a child who was abused. Contact Ruthanne Mefford

rmefford@cafb.org www.cafb.org



SAVE THE DATE

First Annual
ESCAPE Family Walk

Saturday, October 3, 2015

8 am Registration Begins
9 am Walk Begins



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



Santa's Exchange

Saturday, December 12, 2015

Jim Kij and Jake Messinger are co-chairs for Santa's Exchange which is only 115 days away. They need volunteers for fundraising and to serve on committees. Contact Jim Kij jimkij@comcast.net



Texas Louisiana District Fundraiser

The district is trying to develop a fundraiser to assist some of the smaller clubs in our district. We are considering selling a Blue Ribbon yard decoration during April. Other ideas are welcome.