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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Exchange Club of Sugar Land President Kevin Barker presented a check for \$17,000 to Ruthanne Mefford, CEO, Child Advocates of Fort Bend, \$10,000 to Vita Goodell, Executive Director of The Fort Bend Women's Center and \$10,000 to Lidya Osadchey, Executive Director of ESCAPE Family Resource Center honoring their extraordinary work with abused and neglected children and their families. Exchange members participated in "The Light of Hope" child abuse awareness ceremony in Sugar Land Town Center. (I/r Dave Kiger, Ruthanne Mefford, Matt Jackson, Cindy Mccauley, Sue Lockwood, Harish Jajoo, Jaime Williams, Kevin Barker and Karen Bell)





April is Autism

Awareness Month

Hope for Three founder Darla Farmer introduced Executive Director Matt Jackson who told Exchangites that 1 in 45 children are diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

He stressed the importance of early intervention and the programs Hope For Three has to help parents defray the cost of treatment. ABA (Applied Behavioral Analysis) treatment costs approximately \$61,000 per year. Hope for Three also holds classes and support groups for parents and siblings. A symposium open to the public will be held on Friday April 23, 2016 from 9:00-11:00 AM at the Santiko's Palladium Movie Theater located on 99 Grand Parkway in Richmond. www.hopeforthree.org



NEW EXCHANGE CLUB

ECSL proudly sponsored their first "official" **EXCEL Club** at the Permanent Organizational Meeting (POM) held April 6 at the Texana Learning Center. The meeting was conducted by ECSL's President Kevin Barker and National VFR Brenda Robinson. Region 5 VP Susan Schwartz and District President Mike Reichek were also in attendance to support the new club. Welcome to Exchange EXCEL Club of Kempner High School!



Youth of the Month Mikayla Rosenthal from Kempner HS was introduced by Julie Fournier.

Youth of the Month Alex Mao from Clements High School was introduced by David Lanagan.



Anna Catalano has been recognized in Fortune Magazine's ranking of "The Most Powerful Women in International Business." She spoke to Exchangites about "Business in a Changing World." She is a very impressive speaker. Anna discussed how business owners need to embrace technology. They need to understand the



cultural diversity of the population and what drives them as consumers. She spoke about getting to the know strengths of the millennial age and what motivates them. She spoke of how the Baby Boomers are continuing to work into their seventies and are not retiring. Her advice is to "stay involved and relevant." www.shades-of-leadership.com.



Service to Seniors-May 6th, **10 AM-Stafford Community Center**

Help Seniors Celebrate their Birthdays at the 5th street Stafford Community Center with fun, fellowship, bingo and cake! Contact Cookie Joe

cookiejoedance@hotmail.com



The Texas Louisiana District Convention

Embassy Suites Houston Galleria - June 10-12

It is a great opportunity to meet Exchange Members from different clubs in the district. Exchange Club of Sugar Land will pay your registration fee.

The National Exchange Conference July 13-17 at the Hyatt Regency Houston



The Exchange Club of Sugar Land will be hosting the Hospitality Suite Friday July 15, 2016. We need Exchangites to volunteer to assist with serving food drinks. It is a great time to meet Exchangites from around the country. This is our convention, here in Houston. There are many areas in which you can help. For more information please contact District President Mike Reichek mike@reichekfinancial.com