



Exchange Hotline

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Sugar Land Newsletter**
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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club
Palm Royale Blvd.
Sugar Land, Texas

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NEW EXCHANGE CLUB
Doug Earle was presented the **Club Builder Award** for starting a new Exchange Club of EXCEL students at Kempner High School. Student of the Year **Khoi Le** is also President of Kempner Exchange Club.



President's Message

Great Jumpin' Jehoshaphat Exchangites! June is upon us and my time as president is slowly coming to an end. It has been an honor to serve as your President this year. The highlight of my week was to lead the meetings and have FUN with my friends!

I want to use this time to reflect on the accomplishments this year that you all made possible. This past year we were able to provide shoes and school supplies to over 700 through our partnership with Fort Bend Health and Human Services. We were also able to provide 4000 children over 12,000 gifts as a part of Santa's Exchange. We have handed out over 15,000 flags to children as a part of our Give a Kid a Flag to Wave through our participation in the Fort Bend County Fair Parade, the Houston Livestock and Rodeo Parade and the Sugar Land Memorial Day Celebration.

This year we exceeded our revenues for our Spaghetti Dinner from the previous year by \$12,000. This was possible because of the hard work of the Spaghetti Team lead by **Rod White** and **Lynn Krauss** and their team made up of **Jim Lockwood, Sue Lockwood, Farha Ahmed, Kevin Anderson, Jaime Williams, Sue Sanchez, Doug Earle, Greg Oelfke, Renee Canova, Matt Jackson, Mark Kingston, Chelsea Nguyen, Jordan McBride, Brittany Reed, Charlie Braun, Nora Sims, Vernon Hunt, Brad Porter, and Tran Rich**. Kudos to the Spaghetti Team for all of your hard work this year!

I want to especially thank my board members **Doug Brinkley, Clinton Chapman, Nick Landoski, Farha Ahmed, Carlos Perez, John Robson, Leo Weinberg, Duyen Le, Matt Jackson, Rod White, Scott McClintic** and **Vernon Hunt** for their support and guidance this year. I could not have made it without you! We would not have had the great programs we have had this year if it were not for **Judge Robert Kern, Harish Jajoo** and the ever efficient **Darla Farmer** tracking and confirming with our speakers to each week. Thank you to the House Committee of **Cookie Joe Arthur, Greg Kramer, Jim Kij** and **Carlos Perez** for making sure we are ready to have FUN each and every week.

Lastly, if there was an award for the Exchange Couple of the Year the hands down winner, in my humble opinion, would be **Jim and Sue Lockwood** or "Suejim" as I affectionately call them. They have always worked tirelessly to support the club in all of our projects, socials, and fundraising efforts each and every year. I want to thank them for their friendship and the support they provided to the club this year. They are amazing!

I feel we are so blessed to have **Carlos Perez** as our incoming President this year and **Rod White** as our President Elect. Carlos truly loves the Exchange Club and I am excited to see what FUN he brings to the Exchange Club this next year under his presidency. Thank you to everyone for making Exchange FUN this year and for the F.U.N. (Fulfilling of Unmet Needs) you provided to our community this year!

Kevin

Check Presentations



Kelli Metzenthin, Executive Director of **Literacy Council** of Fort Bend County accepted a check for \$2,500.



Christian Vavrecka from **Rainbow Room** accepted a check for \$2,000.



Raul Garcia and Erica Morton from **Big Brothers Big Sisters** accepted a check for \$5,000.



Karen Franklin spoke about the **World Youth Foundation** which is designed to serve as a development vehicle to enhance the positive growth and character of all youth.

Guest Speakers



CJ Pochecho spoke to Exchangites about how 22 veterans commit suicide every day. Serving in the Army he made several tours to Iraq and Afghanistan and is now a suicide Intervention Officer.



Lorelei Thorpe and Charlene spoke of FBISD Global Initiatives Program where students go to school in China to learn about the culture.

Welcome New Member!
Lori Bisewski was inducted by **Brenda Robinson**. Her sponsor is **Rod White**.



A.C.E. Award Winner
Amna Mulla from Clements High School was introduced by President Kevin Barker. Amna has raised money for Cancer Research by holding bake sales at school after her mother passed away. Amna was given a certificate and a check for \$500.

A.C.E Award Winners



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Katlyn Younger from Kempner High School was introduced by Juli Fournier. Katlyn received a check for \$500. She was accompanied by her Mom and Dad, Cole and Mary Ann and her Mentor Rene Edwards who helped her through difficult times.

The A.C.E Award (Accepting the Challenge of Excellence) is given to students who have overcome adversity and maintained excellence at school and in the community.

Photos by Greg Kramer



You're Invited to a special "behind the scenes"
Tour of Child Advocates of Fort Bend
 June 7, 2016 at 7:00 AM. Learn what this amazing
 agency does for abused and neglected children.
 Contact Jim Lockwood jlockwood3@comcast.net

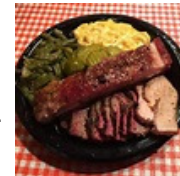


Service to Seniors - Friday, June 10, 2016—10:30 AM
 Join fellow Exchangites in helping seniors celebrate their
 birthdays with cake and ice cream. Bingo is always a favorite
 at the 5th Street Community Center in Stafford. Contact:
 Cookie Joe cookiejoedance@hotmail.com



NEO Family Camp Out - June 11-12 2016
FREE to Families up to 70 people
 If members would like to sponsor a family the cost is
 \$350 to sponsor 15 people. If you can help please
 contact **Jennifer Boley** neoprojecttx@gmail.com

Barbeque Dinner catered by Witt's Pit for Exchangites who pur-
 chased tickets at Spaghetti Dinner Live Auction will be held on July 20,
 2016 at 5:30 pm. **Noah's Place** 16555 Creek Bend Dr., Sugar Land, TX.
 Wine and beer included. Sue Sanchez sweetsue@windstream.net



Day of Service - Saturday June 25, 2016 8:00 am – 12:00
 Volunteers needed to help Sugar Land Fire Department install
 Smoke Detectors in homes they have identified.
 Contact: Kevin Barker Kevin.Barker@texanacenter.com

PANCAKES ALL DAY!!! June 25, 2106 7:00 am -7:00 pm \$5.00
 Mamie George Community Center, 1111 Collins Rd, Richmond TX



ECSL New President Inauguration Dinner
June 29 - 6:00 PM - Sweetwater Country Club
No AM Breakfast Meeting



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.
 Contact: Kevin Barker, Kevin.Barker@texanacenter.com

The National Exchange Conference July 13-17 at 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

