

**Exchange Club of Sugar Land Newsletter** February 15th, 2018 Volume 23 Number 16 Publisher

### The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

4800 Sugar Grove Blvd. Suite 100 Stafford, TX 77477 www.ecsl.org

### **Weekly Meetings**

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club Palm Royale Blvd. Sugar Land, Texas

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## SPEAKER OF THE WEEK!

# Who is Joe Freudenberger?



Joe Freudenberger is the Chief Executive Officer of OakBend Medical Center, a \$1 billion, three hospital, independent, non-profit, community hospital system serving Fort Bend County, Texas. After completing his M.B.A. in finance at the A. B. Freeman School of Business, Tulane University, Joe began his career

in healthcare. Our "Speaker of the Week" for Wednesday, January 31st.

### OakBend's Notable Services

- The only No Wait Hospital Emergency Room in the Greater Houston Area; treating over 36,000 patients annually
- **Greater Houston's only Acute Care for the Elderly Unit**
- Fort Bend County's only hospital-based Skilled Nursing Facility
- Fort Bend County's most advanced Neonatal ICU
- Fort Bend County's most advanced Trauma Program
- Fort Bend County's only Geriatric Psychiatric Program
- Fort Bend County's only Permanently-based Air Ambulance
- 8 consecutive years, Gold Plus Certified Stroke program by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association
- Fort Bend County's most comprehensive Lab

# Young Citizen of the Month Award!

### Youth of the Month Award!







Cookie Joe introduced - January's Young Citizen of the Month Award to Elizabeth John from Sugar Land Middle School.

Rene Cannavo introduced- Youth of the Month Award to Layaa Amirthalingam from Kempner High School!



# Speaker of the Week

Our speaker on February 7th was Danny Nguyen. Danny shared his story of fleeing Vietnam with his dad during the height of the Vietnam war. Packed in the bottom of a boat like sardines and surviving several refugee camps in route to the USA. After 10 long years, he and his dad became U.S. citizens. As wonderful as Danny's presentation was, I will never forget watching our very own Col. David Kiger, who fought in Vietnam and Danny Nguyen, take a picture together.







Don't forget! Start Early! And sell Spaghetti dinner tickets now! (message from Doug Earle)

# **Derby Day!**

Derby Day a great success for a charitable organization. Ruthanne Mefford, Chief Executive Officer B.A., Psychology; M.B.A. Child Advocates for Fort Bend County. Our Board of Directors!



- "Off to the Races" is the theme for Child Advocates of Fort Bend's 18<sup>th</sup> annual Gala.
- This event raises money to fund our programs for abused and neglected children in Fort Bend County
- Event date: 6pm on May 5, 2018
- Location: Sugar Land Marriott Town Square
- Dinner, dancing, live and silent auction
- Exchange Club of Sugar Land is one of two "Winner's Circle" Sponsors (the other is OCuSOFT, Inc.)

## Clements H.S. Youth of the month!

Farha introduced us to Clements Youth of the Month, Joy Zhu. Joy is a very sharp young lady who has a passion for community service and her choice of colleges.





