

**Exchange Club of** Sugar Land Newsletter March 1st, 2018 Volume 23 Number 17 Publisher

#### **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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### **Our very** own Scott **Arthur!**

### Bio...

During his 35 years of radio and TV broadcasting career, Scott Arthur was introduced to Houston's Star of Hope. He acted as the homeless mission's

media consultant for 13 years while still on the air - and, 12 years ago, as he retired from radio, he was appointed Star of Hope's Director of Public Relations. Scott was nominated for an Emmy in 2016 and was voted into the Texas Radio Hall of Fame in 2009. Our "Speaker of the Week" for Wednesday, February 14th.

### **Cornerstone Community**

is a brand new Star of Hope 48-acre transformational campus located just off Hwy 288 at Reed Road. This master planned community can host up to 160 single women and 130 families for short term or long term recovery programs.



The Star of hope takes care of 1,000 homeless every day. 17,000 meals last year, over 240,000 diapers... The men's shelter has 320 beds, and gives them a chance to change their lives. Including help obtaining their GED, they learn skills in order to obtain work. Even helps them to get their own place to live..

We help them with life skills, balancing their checkbooks, education, job interviews and other life skills.

## **#1 Check Presentation**

### **#2 Check Presentation**



Vita Goodell / Women's Center - \$10,000

John Robson - Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse - \$5,000



# Student of the month!



Nneoma One is a well-rounded student with her priorities in order! She not only maintains her grades, but also is a member of the Beta Club Academic Service Club. She loves helping and making a difference in her school and community. Photo with Mom, Mrs. Olge One ! <u>Presenter is Julie Fournier!</u>



<u>New Event in the works!</u> - Fellow Exchangites Chad Seime is coordinating a "Sledgehammer this Car Event" Each participant will pay to bust up the car! The funds will go to our Spaghetti Dinner. This should be fun! There will be finger food and refreshments on hand. If you are not able to attend, you will be able to sponsor yours truly and I will "get in the licks" for you!



# SPEAKER OF THE WEEK!



Our speaker was our very own Exchange member Jennifer Boley who gave us a fantastic overview of **NEO** and how donations help the kids in the program. Speaker of the week on February 21st.

### **Our Mission**

**NEO** is dedicated to helping people of all ages and backgrounds lead more outdoor-oriented lives for better health, happiness, and life balance.

### How do we do it?

NEO is free to join, and we host a variety of events and activities that are open to the public. We also team up with schools, government entities, and other organizations to host special events.

### We strive to:

- Make all activities fun, safe, and affordable
- Host tons of events year round, rain or shine
- Provide plenty of educational classes
- Give hands-on training with NEO outdoor gear
- Provide equipment for people who have none
- Partner with other great organizations like the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

### **Appreciation and Inclusion:**

Since we work with people from all walks of life, we include diversity elements in many of our activities. This promotes a greater understanding between participants, no matter what their backgrounds or differences. We help turn "tolerance" into "appreciation." neoproject.org

### Attendance at the 9th Annual Helen Cordes Dinner



Honoring Commissioner **Vincent Morales**. Present were Kevin and Mrs. Barker, Rene and Mr. Cannavo, Farha and Mr. Ahmed, Russ Braun, and Carols Perez. FBRC is a fantastic organization and Commissioner Morales is well deserving of the award.

Since 1976, **Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse, Inc.** (FBRC) has challenged the idea that substance abuse is just another sad fact of modern society. Substance abuse disorders are indiscriminate in whom they affect and are the cause of so many problems in our community.

# Young Citizen of the Month Award!



Our Young Citizen of the Month Award was presented to Yasmin Quiambao from First Colony Middle School. Kalina Fashaw presented her with a framed certificate and gift card.

