

Exchange Club of Sugar Land Newsletter September 1, 2018

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club Palm Royale Blvd. Sugar Land, Texas

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Message from the President



A LOT TO LOVE

My presidency, my wife points out, is 1/6th over. During the time getting ready and operating this terrific thing called EXCHANGE I have come to love so much about it.

Our Board, for instance. Prepared, inquisitive, supportive and creative, they shoulder responsibility with aplomb. They are working for your good, and I am so proud of them.

And our weekly Prep Team (that's not their official name). I can tell you that when I arrive shortly after 6 these are the faces I consistently see Carlos Perez getting the badges ready, and Cookie Joe soon after Jim Kij turning on lights and greeting people

Greg Kramer helping set up and warming up his camera and Brad Porter - who has ALREADY set up the sound and projection equipment the night before and operates it during the meeting.

This is the team that makes it all work smoothly, and without whom we soon fall apart. THANK them every one when you see them next.

And finally, the members...

You are having such fun attending, bringing guests, laughing and encouraging. You are my favorite people, and I love you all.

Next week is a FUN ADULT SPELLING BEE with KELLI METZENTHIN from the Literacy Council. Invite somebody to have fun with you!

See you there!

David M. Lanagan President@ecsl.org



Support lower income children by donating any and all computers from your company, friends, yourself etc. to

COMPU-DOPT

Call or text Brooke Thompson anytime in September at 713-301-2664 and he can arrange pick up! Or **bring the** computers on Wed October 3 where CompuDopt will bring truck for pick up!







When: Friday September 28th—We meet at 8:00 am Parade begins at 9:00 am

Where: In front of the county courthouse in Rosenburg

What: Along with the other area Exchange Clubs, we will pass out flags to kids along the parade

route. (Approximately 3.5 miles)

Wear comfortable shoes and clothing—red white and blue will make for great photos!

Look for sign-up sheets during our breakfast meeting or contact Nick Landowski



BREAKFAST PHOTOS













WE NEED YOUR HELP! WINGS OVER HOUSTON AIRSHOW OCTOBER 20-21!

The 34th annual Wings Over Houston Airshow will be held Saturday and Sunday, October 20-21, 2018 at Ellington Airport.

For the 14th consecutive year, the Exchange Club of Sugar Land has been a part of this fun event by staffing the ticket booths and scanning tickets of all show visitors between the hours of 6:30am-3:00pm, Saturday and Sunday.

For you newer members, this is a unique club event that not only is fun and allows us to serve our community, but is also a fundraiser! For our efforts the Wings Over Houston Airshow donates \$7,500.00 to our club.

Let me know what day(s) you would like to volunteer.

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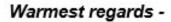
Prayer Corner

We got a touching note this week from our wonderful fellow Exchangite Sonal Bhuchar, who is valiantly battling disseminated cancer:

Dear David and Exchangites:

Thank you for all that you do to hold our community together with so much service, caring and compassion. I am sending a check.

I may be "inactive" for a while but will jump in when I can and SOON!!!!



SONAL

Sonal's kids had these bracelets made for those of who want to keep her needs in our thoughts and prayers. We will have them available each Wednesday until they are gone.

Join Team Sonal!







August 22nd Fritz Guthrie E.S.C.A.P.E. Center Exchange Supported Child Abuse Prevention Effort

We were fortunate enough to hear from Fritz Guthrie the CEO of the ESCAPE Center. Fritz brought us up to date on the center's progress in Fort bend County. They have helped 770 in Fort bend and preparing for more!

On behalf of our club Kevin Barker, Carlos Perez and Larry Street presented the E.S.C.A.P.E. Center with a check for \$15,000!





Founded in 1983 by the Houston Area Exchange Clubs, ESCAPE Family Resource Center began as part of a national project dedicated to preventing child abuse and neglect in local communities across the country. ESCAPE stands for Exchange Supported Child Abuse Prevention Effort.

As a nonprofit, 501(c)3, organization, ESCAPE relies on private support to present programs, services, training and interventions focused on preventing and combatting emotional, physical, and sexual violence towards children. ESCAPE does not receive direct funding allocations from United Way or the government.

Contributions from individuals, corporations, foundations, churches, and other organizations are crucial. These generous donations allow ESCAPE to provide curriculum-based child abuse prevention programs that involve the entire family. Classes are taught in English and Spanish throughout the week in dozens of locations in the Greater Houston area.



(Left) Judge Bell presented the check to Carolyn Tarver on behalf of Project SMILES for \$1,500. (Right) Kevin Barker presented the check to Stesha Scruggs of Fort bend County Social Services. The check was for \$500 and goes toward the Back to School Bash.



August 29th PREPARATION FOR CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE Radio Hall of Famer Scott Arthur

What's the secret of PREPARATION FOR CHANGE? Scott Arthur knows! He is a familiar name and voice in Houston. His decades of radio and TV experience in the Bayou City include an 18 year run as the morning Radio Personality on KQUE, Host of the TV 26 All Night Movies, Radio News Anchor, local PBS shows and a number of national infomercials. As a producer and director, Scott has created many TV and Radio commercials and worked with names like George Bush, James Michener and Danny Devito.

In addition to his broadcast duties, Scott ran his own Public Relations and Marketing Company for 15 years and was the PR Director for the **Houston Hard Rock Café** for almost 10 years. **In 2009 he was inducted into the Texas Radio Hall of Fame, and was nominated for an Emmy in 2016.**

Scott has worked with the **Star of Hope Homeless Mission** since 1995 and is currently and proudly the Mission's Director of Public Relations. Scott delivered a terrific and inspiring message of CHANGE with PURPOSE In what was hailed as one of the best programs so far! Thanks, Scott, and COOKIE JOE for your terrific and powerful support of Exchange!









September, the Month of Learning! Exchange Club of Sugar Land Program Speaker Lineup



Learning the Basics 9/5/18 Kelli Metzenthin, SEPT 20 LITERACY COUNCIL SPELLING BEE

Learning Grace 9/12/2018 Kempner YOM, Cookie Joe and Ballet Grace will perform

Learning to Laugh 9/19/2018, Clown College

Learning to Overcome 9/26/18 Jim Syptak

Bring a friend so that they too can "learn" what Exchange is all about! And, how much fun we have!





The board is currently working to bring a replica of the Tomb of the Unknowns to Sugar Land.

The replica, out of the Rome, Georgia Exchange Club is a moving reminder of the sacrifice of many.

The board and committee will keep the membership aware of plans as they progress along.

David M. Lanagan

Thanks to <u>Greg Kramer</u> for this terrific portrait of our Board of Directors and Officers! They are leaders and givers, every one of them.

L to R: Front row, Vernon Hunt, Kalina Fashaw, Juli Fournier, David M. Lanagan, Nora Sim, Cookie Joe.

Back row - Brad Porter, Duyen Le, Morris Lasris, Vita Goodell, Rodney White, Judge Rick Bell and Colonel D Charles Kiger.



We Love Our Guests! Thank you to the members who brought them!



Lashundra Culpeper, a guest of Kalina Fashaw, turned in her application for membership! (8/22/2018)





Welcome Stephen Montoya (8/8/18) and Rickie Winslow (8/15/18) both were guests of Jim Kij.

Thank you Jim!

Visitors Make Our World Go Round!



Week of **August 22nd** we had four guest! Top Left is Marsha Bower, guest of Larry Street, bottom left is Jessica Jubin, guest of Doug Earle, bottom middle is Scott Blocker, guest of Dennis McDowell and bottom right is Robert Frandsen, guest of Kalina Fashaw. Thank you to our guests and the members who invited them!







September Birthdays!



Linda Rudd 9/1 Red O'Laughlin 9/9 Jennipher Cole 9/17 Harish Jajoo 9/22 Robert Dunham 9/26



September Member Anniversaries



Carey Snyder 9/1/2005
Mama Fu's Asian House 9/15/2017
Shirley Brown 9/19/2005
Larry Street 9/19/2005
John Braswell 9/21/1993
William (Bill) Calhoun 9/30/2011



forward at last weeks meeting.

- -Dr L Jack Williams Apr 9, 1990
- -May Williams joined the same day
- -Nora Sim Dec 15, 1996
- -Bob Dunham June 21, 2004
- -Nick Landowski Dec 20,2010

The Board of our Exchange Club has voted to honor dedication and personal commitment to the ideals of Exchange such as Americanism Inspired by the action of those who have displayed Willingness to take on a task such as preparing the floats and flags for GIVEAKIDAFLAGTOWAVE year after year and their Eagerness to serve in a way that sets an example for others - to serve with joy and excitement. Plus a long history of service to the Club. For this and many other reasons the following Exchange Club Members are recognized in the order of their joining the club and their involvement with the Fort Bend County fair parade and give a kid a flag to wave. And we asked them to come

September 2018 The Month of Learning

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Linda Rudd Happy Birthday!
2	3	4	5 Kelli Metzen- thin The Basics	6	7	8
9 Happy Birthday Red O'laughlin!	10	11	12 Kempner YOM—Grace	13	14	15
16	17 HBD Jenni- pher Cole!	18	19 Clown College Learn to Laugh	20	21	22 Harish Jajoo, Happy Birthday!
23	24	25	26 Jim Syptak, Drug Court Prog HBD Bob Dunham!	27	28	29
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Quotable for Volunteers

"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away."

— William Shakespeare

"The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves." — **Helen Keller**

"I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back." – **Maya Angelou**

JOKE(S) OF THE DAY



