



Exchange Hotline

**Exchange Club of
Sugar Land Newsletter**
February 12, 2019

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

4800 Sugar Grove Blvd, Suite 100
Stafford, TX 77477
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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Sweetwater Country Club
Palm Royale Blvd.
Sugar Land, Texas

Officers 2018-2019

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David Lanagan

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Vernon Hunt

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Vida Goodell

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From The President



As the year goes along it seems to speed up! The tempo of the events picks up, the comfort level of the participants in all of our service projects increases, and the excitement builds towards our events.

Because of the dedication of folks like Lori Bisewski, Clinton Chapman, Brad Porter and others, Spaghetti 2019 is coming together.

And because of YOU, it is all going to work! I've never seen this club fail to deliver on Spaghetti Day, and we will finish strong once again. That's because you know—IT TAKES ALL OF US.

Take note of the story below that says that our National President will be with us soon. You will like him! He will like you! And together we will have the chance to show him our best—as always.

See you at breakfast each week for INSPIRATION IN THE MORNING!

Exchange Club National President 2018-2019 Coming To Our Club Feb 20, 2019!

Scot Warren, Naperville, IL, was installed as The National Exchange Club's National President at the organization's 100th National Convention in Reno, NV, in July 2018. Prior to his nomination as National President-Elect in 2017, Scot served as Exchange's Region 3 Vice President. A second-generation Exchange Club member, Scot joined the Exchange Club of Naperville, IL, in 2002. In addition to his work as Regional Vice President, Scot has served Exchange in many leadership positions, at all membership levels, including Club President, Lincolnland District President, and Division Director. He was appointed as a Volunteer Field Representative in 2012. Professionally, Scot serves as Senior Project Manager for Veolia Water Technologies. He has a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Purdue University and is a Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Illinois.



Tuesday, January 29th was lunch with Brenda Robinson at BJ's!

NoraSim noraannesflowers@aol.com and Sharon Rollins ringrol-lins3010@gmail.com set it all up and about 20 came!!! Such fun! You come next time, too!



Then, Wednesday, Jan 30, was “VOLUNTOURISM DAY”



You've heard of tourism, and you've heard of volunteering, but have you heard of “voluntourism?” **Brooke Thompson** has arranged for his friend **DENTON RAGLAND** to come and speak to us about **MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH OUR TRAVEL**.

Denton Ragland is a non-profit executive with a passion for developing the direction and operation of non-profit organizations that improve the well-being of the communities they serve. He has served in key leadership positions of organizations including Evelyn's Park Conservancy, Houston Food Bank, United Way of Greater Houston, and BakerRipley. He has served on non-profit boards for Amigos de las Americas, Abriendo Mentas, Vision Health International, and Newspring.

Prior to his work in the non-profit sector, Denton was an attorney in Houston for over 25 years. He has a decade of elected government service as a city council member and mayor pro tem of Hedwig Village. Denton is an environmental and conservation advocate devoted to the preservation of ranch lands and historic properties in Texas. He is a private pilot who has flown mercy health missions for cancer patients.

He received his BBA in International Business and Marketing from The University of Texas in Austin, and his JD from South Texas College of Law in Houston. Married with three children and two grandchildren, Denton and his wife Sarah Felknor reside in Houston and have a historic home in Driftwood, Texas. **We loved him and his “mission.”**



And. . . .

Cookie Joe presented Emaan Vagher from Sugar Land Middle School with our Young Citizen of the Month Award.

Emaan Vagher is in the eighth grade. She is half Pakistani and a half Indian, which she says “can get a little frustrating when it comes to politics and sports”. Her extracurriculars consist of NJHS, Student Council historian, Council of Councils, best buddies, and her pals class. And in her free time she reads watches TV and hangs out with friends. Congratulations, Emaan!

February 6th meeting

Great job Dennis Dowell on presenting [Abhijith Venkat](#), our Clements February Youth of the Month. Next, we heard from Megan and Lauren who educated us on the Hugh O'Brian Youth program.



Houston Rodeo Parade Saturday Feb 23, 2019!

Houston Livestock and Rodeo Parade

#giveakidaflagtowave

February 23, 2019 9:00 am- 11:30 am

Tranquility Park 400 Rusk Houston, Texas

National President Scot Warren will be walking with us



Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast District Rodeo Party

February 23, 2019 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Home of Marc and Susan Schwartz

314 Belin Manor Dr

Houston, Texas 77024



Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast District Convention

June 14, 15 and 16 2019

South Shore Harbour Resort

2500 South Shore Blvd League City, Texas 77573

Registration Information forthcoming.

101st National Exchange Club Convention

July 17 - 20 2019

Norfolk Sheraton Waterside, Norfolk, VA

Make a deposit on your registration at the National Exchange





Happy 90th
May

MAY WILLIAMS IS 90!!!!



Happy Birthday!



Welcome, Visitors!



Spaghetti 2019

Sauce Team Update

Update: After seeing this post, the Sugar Land Professional Fire Fighters Association and its President [Tommie Holliday](#) agreed to have a team. We are on fire! Thank you [Tommie Holliday](#)



I would like to thank **Trever Nehls and the Deputy Constables of Precinct 4** for agreeing to have a team. The competition will be fierce - who will have the best sauce?

I have been given the daunting task of getting the local police departments, fire departments and the new District Attorney to sign up for and participate in the **Exchange Club of Sugar Land's Spaghetti Dinner.**

I would like to thank the following departments for their agreement to participate:

Sugar Land Fire Department (new Fire Chief - Doug Boeker)
Sugar Land Citizen's Fire Academy Alumni Association
Sugar Land Professional Fire Fighters Association - Tommie Holliday and Tom Anderson
Sugar Land Police Department (New Police Chief Eric Robins)
District Attorney Brian Middleton (newly elected)
Sheriff Department - Troy Nehls
Wharton Fire Department - Fire Chief Anthony Abbott
Fort Bend ISD police - Police Chief David Rider

I am hoping to get 1 more team.... I am waiting to hear...

It is really exciting that three newly elected and appointed officials are willing to participate in this great family event. If you see them, please say thank you.

- Amy Mitchell



EXCHANGE

THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUGAR LAND, TX

June 14-16 2019

TEXAS LOUISIANA GULF COAST DISTRICT CONVENTION

**South Shore Harbour Resort
2500 South Shore Boulevard
League City, Texas 77573**

Convention Registration: \$135 (Hotel cost separate)

The Convention registration includes the Breakfast, Youth of the Year Awards Luncheon, District Awards Dinner on Saturday and the One Nation Under God Breakfast on Sunday.

The Hospitality Suite will be open Friday Night and Saturday Night for Fun and Fellowship!

There is a **Friday Night Dinner** which is **not included** in the registration.



EXCHANGE

TEXAS-LOUISIANA GULF COAST DISTRICT EXCHANGE CLUBS



- Installation of 2019-2020 District Officers
- Celebrating the Achievements of the District Exchange Clubs!
- Leadership Training
- Youth of the Year
- ACE Youth of the Year
- Exchange Member of the Year
- All American Volunteer of the Year
- One Nation Under God Breakfast

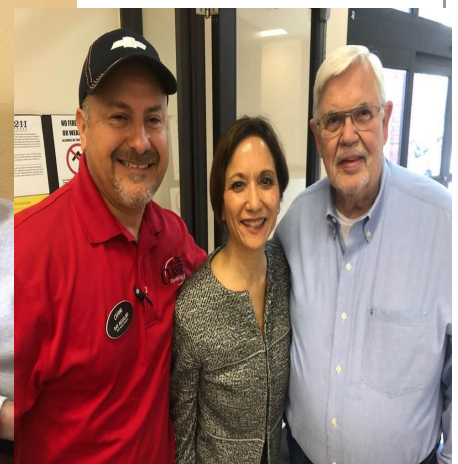
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Click Below for Reservations
[TXLAEX2019](https://www.txlaex2019.com)

**Rooms are \$135.00
per night**



**Our District
President
Kevin Barker
and his wife
invite you to
join them for a
Grand Time!**

Service To Seniors



MEMBER OF THE WEEK

About "Hope For Three"

Darla Farmer

Executive Director / Founder

A Fort Bend County resident since 1993, Darla is long-time volunteer and supporter of many children's charities. Self-employed for the past 25 years, Darla possesses an extensive background in business administration, operations, marketing and customer relations. Her visionary leadership is illustrated through her passion for Hope For Three's mission.



MISSION

To reach one child, one family, one community by creating awareness and providing support to families living with autism spectrum disorder.

VISION

To bring about positive social change and create an inclusive community where each child's unique abilities are acknowledged and fostered.



Hope For Three was inspired by the plight of an amazing mother and father in Fort Bend County who experienced the triple pleasure and heartbreak of having identical triplets all diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

Helplessly watching this family navigate the frustrating waters of maxed out social services, excessive bureaucracy,

denials by insurance companies and indifference by society, close friends pondered their options and as a result, Hope For Three was created in April 2011.

Inspired by the Montgomery triplets, Hope For Three, a local nonprofit and autism advocacy group, was established to raise community awareness and provide resources and support, in the form of financial aid, to families with children diagnosed with ASD.