

Exchange Hotline



Dr Maizie Leftwich Challenged Us!

\$10,000 from Jabez Foundation for Spaghetti 2019! More for new members under 40! And a great beginning to 2019!

January 9th was a magic morning! It was our first time together in the New Year of 2019! January is THE MONTH OF BEGINNINGS, and we celebrated with Psychologist, Author, and Philanthropist MAIZIE LEFTWICH as she challenged us to greatness in the New Year with an ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPORT and a CHALLENGE TO GREATNESS THAT CAN CHANGE THE FACE OF EXCHANGE!

Dr. Mazie Leftwich is a nationally recognized Speaker, Workshop Leader and Trainer, currently serving as Vice President of Leftwich Management Inc., which provides consulting, training, management and administrative services for investment, real estate, and energy entities.



Farha Ahmed
arranged for
our Rodeo
Speaker
Stacy Bynes !!!



Stacy offered a
scholarship to
our Student of



the Month!

And JOE CLOUD
of TRAFFICWARE
was terrific!



She has a MSW (Master of Social Work) and a Doctorate in Applied Psychology (Psy.D.), and has been active in the Right of Way industry for 27 years. In addition to her work at CLS, Dr. Leftwich maintained a private clinical practice for 30 years, specializing in organizational and personal relationships along with executive coaching.

Dr. Leftwich announced a \$10,000 GRANT TO SPAGHETTI 2019 and a challenge that Jabez will add an additional \$100 per new member added 40 and under! This could literally change the face of Exchange! Celebrate and Invite, Invite, Invite!

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Maizie Leftwich spoke to us January 9th We sent her flowers and got this note:

How very thoughtful!! And so love being with my friends at Exchange; a true blessing to me.

Thank you ml



Clements January Youth of the Month

Leilani Lei

AMY MITCHELL was honored to present Leilani Lai our Clements January Youth of the Month. She has lived with her extended family since she was 13. She didn't speak English when she arrived to the USA from Taiwan. She's a cup stacker Junior Olympic champ and into K-pop. She is an award winning swimmer and diver and only learned to swim in High School. She loves volunteering and teaching kids how to swim. What an extraordinary young woman!



Donate. Shop. Change Lives.



Exchange Club of Sugar Land had a great social January 10th thanks to Perry's Steak House and organized by Sue Sanchez! Nothing better than friends together. Greg Kramer, You will be missed. And it was good to see Rod The Storyteller White! Here's some great pix!





**These are the folks
leading the pledges
and Covenant of
Service this month!
Thank them!**

Weekly Meeting Attendance List	
Exchange Club of Sugar Land	
1.	Jeff Dodson
2.	Linda Rudd
3.	Bob Dunham.
4.	May Williams
5.	Jack Williams
6.	Nick Landosti
7.	Greg Oelfke
8.	Carey Snyder
January	

10th Annual Helen Cordes Award Dinner

Honoring Dr. Betty Baitland

February 28, 2019



We thought you might be interested to know that on Thursday, February 28, 2019 Dr. Betty Baitland will be honored with the coveted Helen Cordes Award from Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse at the 10th Annual Helen Cordes Award Dinner. Guests will be entertained at the Sugar Land Marriott Town Square with great food, drinks, and an auction not to be missed. The dinner is our biggest fundraising event and draws a crowd of hundreds from the community.

The Helen Cordes Award honors Helen Cordes for her generous community spirit and many community achievements. Helen served on the Fort Bend Regional Council's Board of Directors from 1991-1997 and was President from 1992-1995.

During that time and long afterward, she served FBRC with such a sincere passion for the mission that she has inspired all who have shared the privilege of working with her.

Your support ensures that these programs will continue to serve our community who are suffering from drug and alcohol abuse. We hope you will support the 10th Annual Helen Cordes Award Dinner and our dedicated honoree, Dr. Betty Baitland. You may contact Seth Malin at smalin@fortbendcouncil.org or 281-207-2406 with your response or any questions you might have.



Santa's Exchange Wrapup From Judge Bell

A big thank you to everyone for volunteering your time and energy to make this year's Santa's Exchange a success. Enjoy these pictures! Again, thank you to everyone that helped this year!









Exchangite James Stephen Smith

OCTOBER 28, 1993 – JANUARY 12, 2019



James Stephen Smith passed away unexpectedly in Winchester, Texas on January 12, 2019 at the age of 25. Stephen was born on October 28, 1993 in Houston, Texas to James Dennis Smith and Leslie Stiglets Smith. He is preceded in death by grandparents James

Samuel and Dixie Sue Smith of Carrollton, Missouri and grandmother Rosa Mabel Farhat Pavlicek of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Stephen is survived by parents Dennis and Leslie Smith, brothers Christopher Stiglets and Matthew Smith, grandparents Gerald and Stephen is survived by parents

Dennis and Leslie Smith, brothers Christopher Stiglets and Matthew Smith, grandparents Gerald and Wendy Beaver, and grandfather Richard Pavlicek.

He graduated from Dulles High School in 2012 and later from Texas State University in 2016 with a degree in Economics. Stephen was an avid athlete, having played football throughout his educational career. His love and passion of the sport began in middle school and

extended through his time with the Texas State Bobcats. The dedication Stephen put forth and the lessons he learned from his time as an athlete were things that he always carried with him and applied to every aspect of his life.

More recently, he gained an interest in further developing leadership and communication skills, having pursued leadership courses and becoming involved with Toastmasters. Giving back to the community was important to Stephen and he was a regular donor to Shriners Hospital for Children. He also recently joined the Exchange Club of Sugar Land to find further ways to give back to those in need.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Shriners Hospital for Children or Champions Kids Camp, causes that were important to Stephen and to our family.

<https://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org>

<https://www.championskidscamp.org/>





FROM THE PRESIDENT

The photo above probably best exemplifies the spirit of this particular Exchange Club. It is a picture of happy people who have a great sense of humor and love to work together!

It is a picture of people who know the value of enjoying life as well as volunteering and being a part of something greater than themselves.

Though Julie actually won, every single person in that lineup (except for me) is a winner. Each one has leadership abilities, influence, and a servant's heart. What a group! What a picture!

It serves to outline that this is the foundation upon which we will build our next big event, the Spaghetti Dinner of 2019 that will raise funds for Vernon and his board to give away. It's a wonderful event, always a lot of fun, and with a terrific amount of heart. That's because it's made up of people like you.

Redouble your efforts to be the best you can be, be here every time we meet, and bring a friend every time. You won't be sorry. They won't either.

See you at breakfast!

David M. Lanagan
President@ECSL.org

Save The Date: Spaghetti 2019! Friday, April 26, 2019

Planning has begun for The Exchange Club of Sugar Land's Annual Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Friday, April 26, 2019 from 5:30pm to 8pm at Fluor Corporation cafeteria, 1 Fluor Daniel Drive, Sugar Land.



This fundraiser supports local non-profits including Child Advocates of Fort Bend, Fort Bend County Women's Center, Texana Center for Autistic Children, Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels, Fort Bend Council on Substance Abuse, Crime Stoppers, YMCA, DePelchin Children's Center, ESCAPE Family Resource Center, Literacy Council of Fort Bend and many others.

It also supports Exchange Community Service Project like Santa's Exchange which provides thousands of gifts for underprivileged children.

Local law enforcement agencies and firefighters compete in a Spaghetti Sauce Cook-off. Their eccentric costumes are always a hit. A children's area with a cake walk, face painting, games and prizes is just part of the fun-filled event. A live and silent auction, raffle and live entertainment complete this enjoyable evening. More is in development! Stay Tuned!

Lori Bisewski , SPAGHETTI CHAIR

JANUARY - The Month of BEGINNINGS

THEME	DATE	SPEAKER
Begin to Retool	1/9/2019	Mazie Leftwich
Begin to Relate	1/16/2019	Stacy Bynes Rodeo spkr
Begin to Realize	1/23/2019	Joe Custer TRAFFICWARE
Begin to Realign	1/30/2019	Voluntourism



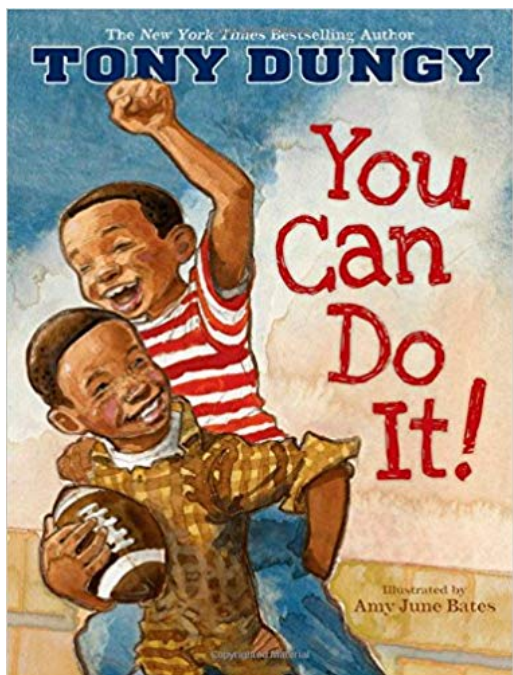
Rising to the Occasion

This is Jim Thorpe. If you look closely at the photo, you can see that he's wearing different socks and shoes. This wasn't a fashion statement. It was the 1912 Olympics, and Jim, an American Indian from Oklahoma represented the U.S. in track and field. On the morning of his competitions, his shoes were stolen. Luckily, Jim ended

up finding two shoes in a garbage can. That's the pair that he's wearing in the photo. But one of the shoes was too big, so he had to wear an extra sock. Wearing these shoes, Jim won two gold medals that day.

He won gold in the (now defunct) pentathlon, winning four of the five events (long jump, discus throw, sprint, and wrestling). The one event he didn't win was the javelin. He's never competed in that event for the Olympics. He finished third in the world.

He'd actually tried to throw the javelin once before, in the Olympic trials. At the time, he didn't know that he could throw it with a running start. He threw it standing still, and placed second.



This is a perfect reminder that you don't have to resign to the excuses that have held you back. So what if life hasn't been fair? What if life has dealt you not a very nice hand? What are you going to do about it today? It's not the hand that's dealt to you but how you play that hand.

It's a new day, new month, new year. Don't let it stop you from running your race. Besides, you have no chance of winning if you're not in the race.

You can experience more in life if you'll get over the excuses and get on with living. If you'll just count your blessings rather than focus on your lacks. So, put your shoes on and get on with it!



Visiting with Rod at HOUSTON HOSPICE 1905 Holcombe Room 302. He's comfortable and well cared for.

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Rod White

Is home now after hospitalization and is under Hospice Care at home. many of his friends have come to visit. Enjoy these pictures of folks spreading the love to our Past President!

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Sue Sanchez is with **Rodney White** and **Farha Ahmed**.

Wednesday at 8:07 PM · 🧑🏻‍🤝‍🧑🏻

Guess who we are with? You are right. Rod The Storyteller White.



Cookie Joe did a wonderful presentation of appreciation to former Fire Chief J J Adame and former police chief Doug Brinkley and introduced our two NEW chiefs - FIRE Doug Boeker and POLICE Eric Robins!
Welcome to these leaders, and congratulations to those who have served wonderfully!

