



# Exchange Hotline

Exchange Club of  
Sugar Land Newsletter  
Aug 15th, 2022

## The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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Stafford, TX 77477  
[www.ecsl.org](http://www.ecsl.org)

### Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Meeting at:  
Sugar Creek Country Club  
420 Sugar Creek Blvd.  
Sugar Land, Texas 77478

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Dear Exchange Members,

## What a “FANTASTIC” start of the year for service projects the club members have accomplished!!

It was another fun and yummy **Pancake Breakfast** with the scout troops! **Morris and Cookie** had another great **Service to Seniors party**, additionally **Back to School Bash** was a successful happening, and quite a number of members turned out for our social...**Happy Hour at Chuy's Restaurant**, plus many members turned out for the **Access Health Back to School Fair** to help. And how could I forget Cookie Joe's **ANNUAL blood drive for MD Anderson. OVER FIFTY people gave blood! \*\*\*IT IS BECAUSE OF ALL OF YOU STEPPING UP TO HELP IN THESE VARIOUS PROJECTS FOR THEM TO BE SUCCESSFUL!**

**A HUGE OVATION TO EACH ONE OF YOU!** ❤️

We welcomed three new members, **Lee Perez, Jeff Deurlein, and Dario Beistegui**. Short time and longtime members make sure to go up to our new members and introduce yourself. Might I add...thank you members for inviting guests to our breakfast. This helps grow our club resulting in helping our community!

Sadly, we had to say goodbye to long time ECSL member, “Sweet” **Sue Sanchez**, as she has moved to El Paso. She was an extremely active member in many, many projects over the years and will be sorely missed. **GOOD LUCK SUE IN EL PASO!**

Coming quickly will be a lot of events in September. **LOOK AT THE CAL-NDAR at [ecsl.org](http://ecsl.org)** to find out what, when & where is happening with the club.

The Firefighter's Gala is on September 10. Let's rally around fellow EC members, **Suzanne Whatley and Doug Boeker**, to support SL Fire Department by donating alcohol for their event. Please bring in any type of alcohol to the breakfasts to give to Suzanne and see her if you would like to purchase a ticket or buy a table.

Service for Seniors will be September 16th, and a **movie night** is planned for the social on September 9<sup>th</sup>. (Socials will typically be on the second Friday or Saturday of the month).

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Be on the lookout for a date soon for our first BBQ fundraising event. Word on the streets is **Thad Olive** has it down how to make the best smoke meat in town! (Coming from a vegan, not sure if I used the correct terms for the meat...But Hans says it's fantastic!)

Have a wonderful week. **Here's a few pictures of Sue's goodbye party and cake at the breakfast meeting!** I look forward to seeing all of you at our next Wednesday morning breakfast.

Lori,

*Lori Bisewski*

Lori Bisewski  
President- ECSL

**"The light within me,  
honors the light within you".**



*We will miss  
you Sue!  
You will be  
greatly  
missed!*





## Exchange sponsors Scouts Troops 731,1731 and Cub Pack 1133!

On August 3rd., the Scouts cooked breakfast for the Exchange breakfast meeting at 7am. It was quite tasty with eggs, sausage and pancakes, and the fruit and breakfast cakes were out of this world. Dave Van Kleeck who was our speaker led the State of the Troops presentation.

Taken from the presentation, we learned the Scout Troops 731, 1731, are strong, but the pandemic stunted the growth of the Cub Pack 1131 . Since the Cub pack feeds into the Scout Troops, they will be focusing energies this year on recruiting new cub scouts.



L-R, Past President of ECSL Rick Bell, Carey Snyder Exchange Member, Jody Court Scout-master of Troop 731, David Van Kleeck Scout master of Troop 1731, Colin Rust Tiger Den Leader of Cub Pack of 1133.





# Scouts Troops 731, 1731 and Cub Pack 1133!



**Troop 731 and 1731 Status**

**Philosophy**

- 3 Aims of Scouting
  - Moral Strength & Character
  - Promote Citizenship
  - Develop physical, mental, & emotional fitness
- The outdoors is our classroom
- Learning by doing
- Youth Leadership within the troops

**Troop 731 and 1731 Status**

**Membership**

Unit	Youth	Adult
Troop 731	71	36
Troop 1731	28	14

**Troop 731 and 1731 Status**

**Goals**

- Participate in more high adventure
  - Bechtel Summit River Trek - June 2023
  - National Jamboree - July 2023
- Expand Youth Leader Training
- Continue to grow both troops





# Our Seniors & Exchange Members - Lunch & Bingo!



100 Louisiana, Missouri City, TX



They were dancing. Told not to video, lol.

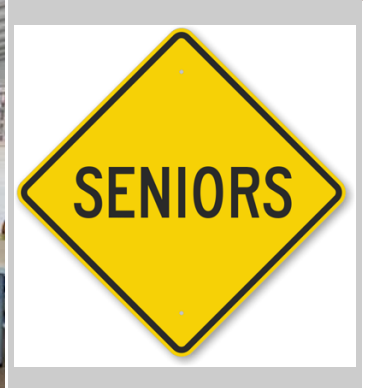
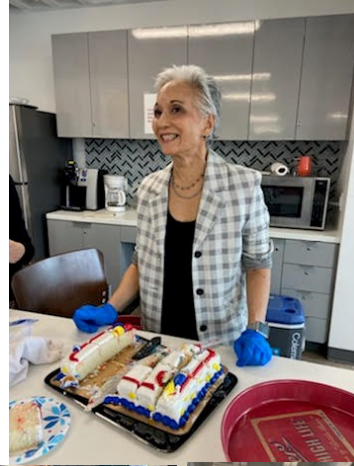
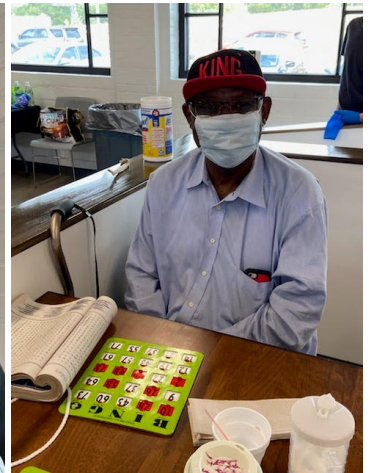
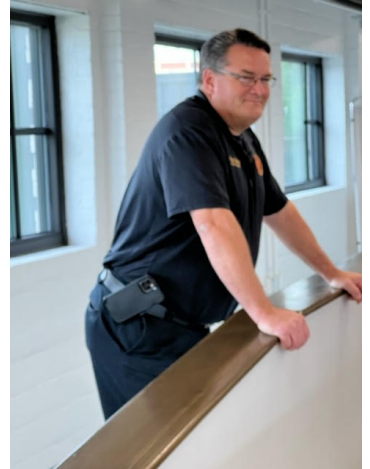


**Seniors Rock!, I should know I grew up in the 50's with some of them!**

These are good apples, like Exchangites!



## Our Seniors & Exchange Members having fun!

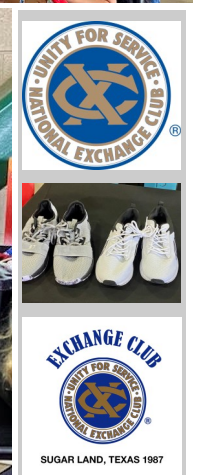






# Back-to-School Bash 2022!

This event was a combined effort of Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry, Fort Bend County, and Exchange Club of Sugar Land. Exchange club originally started this event about 20 years ago. It has continued to grow. This event has been held in recent years at Constellation Field home of the Space Cowboys a Triple-A affiliate club of the Houston Astros.





# Back-to-School Bash 2022!





# Speaker Series



On August 10th, we had two speakers the first being our very own Exchange member Fire Chief **Doug Boeker** who gave us an excellent history of the Sugar Land Fire Department plus a detailed insight into the operations of the department. Standing with Brooke Thompson and Lori Bisewski President of ECSL.

It is good to know and understand how up-to-date our fire department is and what issues the firefighters face every day of the year.

Doug as always, did a great job and is a very good speaker who can be quite entertaining in his delivery. Very enjoyable to listen to.



Doug mentioned the **Firefighter's Gala and annual event** coming up Sept. 10th. Where they raise money for 3 important areas; For firefighters that have been hurt on-the-job and have other family needs when financial sources become stressed or exhausted.

They also have a scholarship program for the Fireman's children for going to school/College. And the restoration of firetrucks dating back to 1919, which is used for parades and other events that come up.

Our second speaker was **Dr. Nicolas Desai** from Methodist Hospital. He shared with us the innovations Methodist Hospital is doing to improve the doctor/hospital to patient relationship, making it easier and more seamless. Never fear the tech unsavvy person....Methodist has come up with ways for the patient to make it easy to deal with their new technology. With his vision, Methodist has become more customer friendly and efficient in helping the patient have an easier and better experience.





## Exchange Club Social!



The Exchange Club "Social" was held at [Chuy's Tex-Mex Restaurant](#) on Aug 12 in the evening. We had about 21 members who came ready to eat and have fun socializing! Food was great, friends were wonderful! However, I could not get everybody on board to make a "funny face" photo for me! So, I guess we don't qualify as "party animals" yet! The next social is a movie night so everybody come when it is announced! And bring your funny face!





# Supporting Amy Cummins 2nd. Annual Blood Drive!

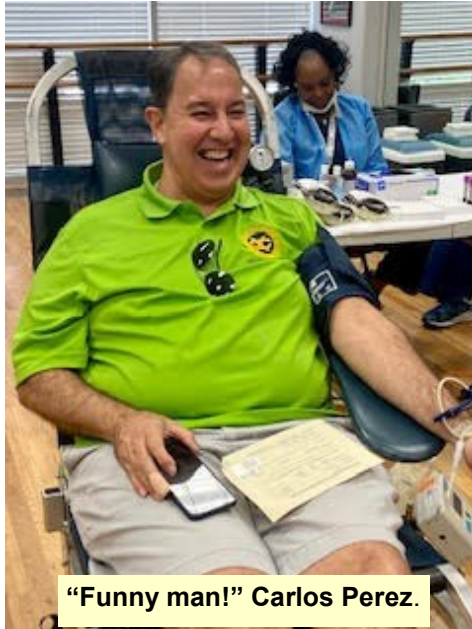
On August 12th and 13th we had our Blood Drive supporting Amy Cummins, put on by M.D. Anderson staff at Cookie Joe's Dancin School location at 1415 Hwy. 6 South.

## OVER 50? I am not talking about your age! Ha!

We had over **50+** volunteers show up at Cooke Joe's who gave blood. We were able to contribute about 30 units of blood. The lives of 90 cancer patients will be impacted by this second annual blood drive at Cookie Joe's Dancin School! **A heartfelt thanks to everyone that gave blood this time around!**



"Poster gal!" Irina Chrisco



"Funny man!" Carlos Perez.



Dr. Betty Baitland.



Fireman Scott Bowerman.



"Sir" Fire Chief Doug Boeker.



SL PD Officer Mike Weatherly.



Exchange Club  
OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS





## Supporting Amy Cummins - 2nd. Annual Blood Drive!



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS  
**MD Anderson**  
**Cancer Center**  
Making Cancer History®

 **EXCHANGE**  
THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUGAR LAND, TX





## Supporting cancer survivor, Amy Cummins - Blood Drive!



### Blood Drive

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS  
**MD Anderson**  
Cancer Center  
Making Cancer History®

### Supporting Amy Cummins

Cookie Joe's Dancin' School  
1415 Hwy 6 Suite A100, Sugar Land 77478  
Room 2



**Friday, August 12**  
**11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

<https://tinyurl.com/1donate0822>

**Saturday, August 13**  
**10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

<https://tinyurl.com/2donate0822>

Snacks, refreshments & an appreciation t-shirt provided to all donors

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## Birthdays, Anniversaries, Events!

### Happy Exchange Birthdays!

*Happy Birthday to you!*



**John Heinemann (8/2), Darla Farmer (8/3) Shirley Brown (8/4), Colleen Migl (8/6)  
Richard Peffley (8/9), Chelsea Nguyen (8/14).**

### Exchange Anniversaries!

**Jim Hudnall 7/24/87 (36 yrs.) Lydia Bourg 7/27/21(1/yr.), Don Burns 7/27/99 (23 yrs.).**

**Suzanne Whatley** The 2022 **Sugar Land Firefighter's Gala** will be held Saturday, 9/10/22. If anyone would like to sponsor please get in touch with Suzanne at 713-854-4675. She also is asking for any live or silent auction donations. Please bring them to the meetings so Suzanne can pick them up.

**Bruce Smith** announced on September 23, that club members will be handing out U.S. flags for the Fort Bend County Parade. Club members need to be at the parade site by **7 AM**. We will be at the front of the parade that starts at 9 AM. Also, the day before we will meet at Nora's florist shop, Nora Anne's Flower Shoppe, 15510 Lexington Blvd Suite N, Sugar Land 77478, to decorate our float for the parade. More info will be given closer to the date.

**Pete Olson** announced a community service project, Exceptional Rodeo, on **September 30, 10 AM**, at the O.D. Tucker Arena at the Fort Bend Fairgrounds. The rodeo will give the children & young adults a real grand rodeo experience. The exceptional rodeo will pair physically and/or intellectually challenged children and young adults with professional cowboys and cowgirls and volunteers to help assist in fun and non-competitive rodeo activities.

**Brooke Thompson** let us know about Compudopt which offers a variety of classes within the computer field. These are free classes for middle school young ladies. They just need to sign up early. This would be something to pass on to friends and family with middle school girls. Here is the link to get more information: <https://www.compudopt.org/women-in-tech-houston>.

**Vita Goodell** advised that the Women's Center closed down one of its donation centers. Therefore, your future donations should be made at either the Stafford or Richmond locations. The addresses for those locations are Stafford - 13645 Murphy Road, Stafford, TX 77477; Richmond - 501 Highway 90A East, Richmond, TX 77406.

**Paul Barnett** reminded us of the automatic payment authorization form. We are trying to get as close to 100% of the membership to be on autopay. This makes the accounting run much smoother. See Paul for a form.