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"Hands On" Exchange

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**Norma
Club
2005-06**



**Reyna,
President**

Photo by Sue Lockwood

Ready, Set, Hands On!

We leap into this year in fast forward with several events facing us within the next few weeks.

This coming Friday we will host our Service to Seniors event. It is a special time to get involved that doesn't require much time. We meet on the first Friday of every month to help serve cake and ice cream to a group of seniors and help celebrate the birthdays of the month. We meet at the 5th Street Community Center in Stafford shortly after 11:15 AM and spend about 45 minutes helping serve cake and ice cream, as well as enjoying some entertainment from some of our talented members.

On Sunday, August 7th, between 7:45 AM and 12:00 we will have our "Walk with Pride" event. This is a fabulous "feel good" time. We will meet at the Payless shoe stores in Rosenberg (90) and Sugar Land (59) to fit underprivileged school children with a new pair of school shoes. We provide over 500 children with shoes to walk with pride back to school. Karin Makin is coordinating this program and would certainly appreciate your time.

On August 10th, we will have our Boy Scout Troop #731 breakfast. We will **NOT** meet at Sweetwater that day but will meet at Highlands Elementary school for an array of breakfast treats prepared by the Boy Scout troop that our club

O u r committee chairs have been working hard to coordinate and plan each event and I would like to thanks all of you who have already volunteered your time to make each one of these programs a success. If you have not volunteered and can contribute some of your time please contact the committee chairs.

I am so excited about the enthusiasm and commitment that member's have shown and look forward to an excellent year of "Unity for Service".

You can make a difference by simply lending a hand.

Let's get involved..... Let's get **HANDS ON !**

Norma



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The Exchange Club of Sugar Land



The Exchange Club of Sugar Land was represented at the National Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah on July 11-17 by (top l-r) Alicia Marra, President Elect; Greg Oelfke, Gulf Coast District President; Jerry Hurst, Immediate Past President; Jorge Marra, Club Photographer; (bottom l-r), Brenda Robinson, Past President; Jim Lockwood; Sue Lockwood, Newsletter Editor and newly elected Board Member; and Current President Norma Reyna.

Photo by Jorge Marra

Our district generated excitement when an American Flag, flown over Iraq was auctioned off. The flag, brought by Past District President Dorothy Nall, caused a "bidding war" between Jorge & Alicia Marra and Past National President Gerald Franklin. Gerald eventually ended up donating \$10,000 to The National Exchange Foundation for the flag!

Past President Jerry Hurst collapsed just prior to the closing banquet on Saturday night, and ended up spending two days in the hospital in Salt Lake City. Jerry was well cared for by all of the Sugar Land delegates. Special thanks to President Norma Reyna who stayed with Jerry at the hospital for the next 24 hours and even rearranged her flight plans in order to fly back home with him on Monday.

It was a wonderful convention hosted by some wonderful people in Salt Lake City. The Mormon Tabernacle Choir was awesome and Rich Little kept us all in stitches.

Join us for next year's National Exchange Convention which will be held at Wyndham Palace, Orlando, Florida, July 26-29, 2006.

Bring the whole family!

Disney World



NATIONAL EXCHANGE CLUB CONVENTION

The Exchange Club of Sugar Land was again recognized at National for their outstanding work.

Immediate Past President **Jerry Hurst** was presented **The Distinguished Presidents Award**.

He was also given an award as **President of an All-American Club**. National President **Jerry De Feo** instituted this award for clubs who went beyond the minimum requirements in club leadership and community involvement.

We were among the top clubs in



membership growth, and were recognized for having the best newsletter for clubs over fifty members.

Sue Lockwood, editor of our club newsletter, proudly accepted the **National Best Club Bulletin Award**. The "Hotline" can be viewed each month on our club website www.ecsl.org.



Photo by Jim Lockwood

Other awards presented to The Exchange Club of Sugar Land were:

The Big "E" Award

Extension, Expansion, Efficiency, and Education

Club Excellence Award

For earning both awards mentioned below

Superior Club Membership Achievement Award

Net increase of 8 or more members

National Service Award

The Club must earn a patch in all four service areas: Community Service, Americanism, Youth, Child Abuse Prevention and sponsor two additional projects.

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Programs of Service Sign-up Day

On July 6 our club members had the opportunity to learn about the unique programs of service performed by ECSL throughout the year. Special thanks go to our Committee chairs—and their substitutes—for their enthusiastic presentations and to all of you for signing up en masse!



Alicia Marra, President Elect

If you missed the meeting don't miss the chance to get involved by contacting these committee chairpersons:



Doug Earle, Membership,
"We want to be # 1.... in membership numbers, as well as quality. We need 99 current members to recruit at least one

new member this year."

Lydia Bourg, Human Resources

Paul DeMarsh, Community Service

Jerri Krauss, Programs

Bill Quinn, Social committee.



Carolyn Lobdell
Youth Committee



Amy Estrada, Child Abuse Prevention

Ron Norsworthy, House Committee

Marita Pratt, PR/Communications

Sue Lockwood, Newsletter



Alicia Marra, Spaghetti Dinner

Jake Messinger and Amy Mitchell, Santa's Exchange

Naren Patel, Americanism,
"Our programs include Freedom Shrine Project, One Nation Under God, Proudly We Hail, GIVEAKI-DAFLAGTOWAVE, and more. All of these noble initiatives are geared to protect the freedoms we cherish."



Photos by Larry Pullen

August Birthdays



John Heinemann, Frank D'Antuono, Shirley Brown, **Lydia Bourg, Marita Pratt,** Sue Sanchez, **Jeanette Gaylord-Parente,** **Bob Broxson,** Len Rolsen, **Kevin Anderson,** **Dave Stacy,** Rosemary Mascarenhas, **Larry Street, Habiba Ewing,** David Rowe, **Abram Sustaita, Bill Rohrbach,** Greg Kramer, **Felicia Fontenot,** **Aimee, John and Baby Braswell**

TORA! TORA! TORA! WINGS OVER HOUSTON



The 21st annual Wings Over Houston Air show is scheduled for Oct. 8-9 at Ellington Field. Featured acts are the Canadian Forces Snowbirds Jet Demonstration Team, F-18F Super Hornet, AH-64 Apache Attack Helicopter, the A-10 Thunderbolt II ("The Warthog"), the F117 Stealth Fighter, numerous aerobatic acts including local champion Debby Rihn-Harvey, and Tora! Tora! Tora! a recreation by the Commemorative Air Force of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor December 7th, 1941 that will make you feel you are there.

Wings Over Houston is the scene of one of ECSL's newest community service/ fund-raising opportunities. We will work the gates on Saturday and Sunday in exchange for a sizable donation to our club and get to enjoy this exciting air show. Plan to be there on the second weekend in October.

Contact: **Paul Barnett**
psb1@ix.netcom.com or log on to
www.wingsoverhouston.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SERVICE TO SENIORS

Friday, August 5, 11:30 A.M.

Help Seniors celebrate their birthdays. Contact: **Tony Ackerman** tonyackerman@sbcglobal.net



WALK WITH PRIDE

Sunday, August 7, 7:45 A.M.

Help children select free shoes for school. Two shifts (7:45 a.m.-10 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 12) at two Payless stores (Sugar Land on 59 and Rosenberg on 90)
Karen Makin aliceernst@msn.com



BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Wednesday, August 10, 7:00 A.M.

ECSL breakfast meeting we will be held at Highlands Elementary, Settlers Way

Contact: **Ray Albrecht**

ralbrecht@fulbright.com

ROAD RALLY



Saturday, August 27

Fun social event. Follow the clues to find dinner! Contact: **Clark Walter**
cwalter@dearborncreggs.com

BADGES OF COURAGE



Saturday, September 10

Honor our local police, firefighters and emergency response personnel at First Colony Mall. Emergency vehicle displays and Chili Cook-off. Contact: **Leslie Vyoral**
lesliev@gasunlim.com

SAVE THE DATE

WINGS OVER HOUSTON AIRSHOW

October 8-9, 2005

ONE NATION UNDER GOD LUNCHEON

November 9, 2005

SANTA'S EXCHANGE

December 10, 2005

SPAGHETTI DINNER

February 24, 2006

LIGHT OF HOPE CEREMONY

April 1, 2006