



# Exchange Hotline

## Exchange Newsletter

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The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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## Sharing the Passion

### President's Message

It is hard to believe that I'm already writing November's message; this year is going by so fast—maybe because we are accomplishing so much, or maybe because we are having lots of fun—or probably both—as we follow the unstoppable rhythm set by our leaders. The goals set up by the committee chairs have been surpassed in many programs as member participation and involvement has been spectacular.

**Jeanette Gaylord** organized another successful **Seniors Birthday Party**, with an 85 year young magician bringing delights to everyone present. Bring your special talents to this program and join the party!

**Smoke Detectors Installation**, led by **Steve Griffith** and **Jim Kij**, has had an extraordinary turnout. For this reason Captain McLemore with the Fire Department is already considering running the program on a morning shift only. Thanks to **Clark Walters, John Hancock, John Heineman, Greg Oelfke, Paul Barnet, Kent Reynolds, Sue and Jim Lockwood, Michael Schiff, Paula Stansell, Dave Chambers, Victoria Chavers, Sue Sanchez, and Jorge Marra**. Special thanks to **Victoria Chavers** for engaging students from Kempner HS Excel Club.

Photo by Jorge Marra



There is a cozy and unmistakable spirit of Christmas at every breakfast meeting: it's the spirit of **Santa's Exchange**. Santa's kicked off in grand style on October 11 under the diligent hand of chair **Sue Lockwood**, assisted by her Rotarian counterpart and committee chairs. A cheerful, fashionable, hard-to-resist **Bubba** auctioned several donated items for a record \$1200. Santa's coffers grew heavy as our pockets grew lighter and your generosity was felt by every heart in the room.

Photo by Larry Pullen

**Jim Kij** and **Paul Barnet** flawlessly led one more **Wings over Houston**. It was club-wide participation, though, that made this such a resounding success. Scores of volunteers covered every post and delivered an impeccable service. Thanks to **Lisa Osborne** for handling the Dulles ROTC students and to **Victoria Chavers** for Excel club participation.

The membership committee, led by **Jeri Krauss**, organized a spotless **Orientation** program with lots of information, lots of hospitality, and lots of good food!

Ghosts, goblins, monsters and other wacky characters simmering in **Mary Cook's** cauldron closed the month of October with a wonderful **Halloween party** at the Comfort Suites. Thanks, **Naren Patel**, for allowing us, once again, to celebrate a social on your premises.

We have been approached by **Youth in Philanthropy**, led by Dee Koch with the George Foundation, to celebrate their tenth anniversary, joining ranks in an effort to bring more local youth to this program through our expertise in community service. Thanks to **Victoria Chavers** for spearheading this effort and to **Chuck Sanchelli** and **Sonal Bhuchar** for your commitment to bring it to fruition.

**Tony Ackerman** has been very busy preparing the **National Day of Service** project. We'll be teaming up once again with Hearts and Hammer and set out to paint the home of a senior citizen in need. Never handled a brush? No problem: on-the-job training and lots of fun!

## The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

### President's Message (cont.)

It is so heart warming that in the midst of all this service frenzy we always find room for love and prayers for those members with life and health issues. It makes me very proud to be a part of a group so caring and compassionate, always ready to help friends in need. **John Bourg, Janet Johnson, Larry Szymaszeck, Bill Overka, Natalie Long, and Sharon Rollins** all have special talents and a commitment to serve and care for others. Let's continue praying that they will fully recover and rejoin us soon to continue **Sharing the Passion!** for service.

With all my gratitude,

**Alicia**



Sharing the Passion!

Thanks to all Exchangites for a fun "Kick-off" for **Santa's Exchange**. Your generosity raised \$1,200 for toys in Greg O'elf"ke's mini auction .

Special thanks to all who showed up to wrap toy collection boxes on Saturday morning, and to Lisa Osborne Poyner for handling the Lamar Consolidated schools and letting us use the Fort Bend Council facility for the "wrapping party."

If you haven't volunteered to pick up toys at a school yet, contact **Paul DeMarsh** [pdmars@yahoo.com](mailto:pdmars@yahoo.com). Please take a collection box to your school by November 13, 2006. Last toy pick-up December 13, 2006.

Santa's Exchange will be held on Saturday, December 16, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at First Colony Church of Christ. Come when you can, leave when you must.

Sorting and tagging of toys will take place on M, Tu, Th, and F from 6:30 p.m-8:30 p.m. the week of Dec. 11, at the church. Come join us. It's fun!

Sue Lockwood, Chair [slockwood@houston.rr.com](mailto:slockwood@houston.rr.com)



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THERE WILL BE **NO** SUGAR LAND EXCHANGE CLUB BREAKFAST MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2006.

Please attend the **One Nation Under God** luncheon which will be held on November 7, 2006 at 11:30 a.m. at the Quail Valley Country Club, at the corner of El Dorado and La Quinta in Quail Valley. All club members and veterans are invited. Please email Rick

#### Upcoming Wednesday Breakfast Programs:

- 11-8 No meeting
- 11-15 Jackie Stouffer Creative Dreams Outreach
- 11-19 Crystal Sherrod Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- 11-22 Sweetwater Staff provides Thanksgiving Treats

#### Upcoming Events:

- 11-7 One Nation Under God Luncheon  
Quail Valley Country Club
- 11-11 National Day of Service  
Hearts and Hammers

### November Birthdays



**Randy Arbuckle, Doug Ehrenkranz, Bill Overka, Doug Earle, Richard Early, Deborah Wilkins, Himesh Gandhi, Carolyn Pope, Ron Pope, Wayne Stone, Steve Metzenthin, Chris Breaux, Sharon Ring Rollins, Nancy Dobert, Thomas Abraham, Larry Pullen, Mark Eyring, Helen Cordes, George Head, Lisa Osborne-Poyner, Clark Walter, Brian Crissman, Cheryle White Mynar,**

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# WINGS OVER HOUSTON

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Thunderbirds  
Wings Over Houston  
10.21.06



Wings Over Houston  
10.21.06



# HALLOWEEN PARTY

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Halloween Party, 10.27.06



Halloween Troublemaker 10.24.08



Halloween Party, 10.27.06



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