

Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens

Austin, Texas



Vol. 8 Issue 12

This is funded by DARS-DHHS

December, 2013

Field Trip to Goliad, Texas 2013



Glenn Brunson was about 3-4 years old gone with his sister to Goliad, Texas with her class field trip from Odem, Texas to visit the monument over the grave of Col. James W. Fannin, Jr. and his men.

Left to Right: front row; Ben Williams, Edith Hebert, Robert Montfort, Second row; Judy Ricca, Mary Whitsit, Marian Seale, Patti Wilson, Charlene Bryan, Joan Montfort, Barbie Vicencio, Third row; Joanne Brininstool, Darlene Polson, Glenn Brunson, Miriam Thumann, Pat Compton, Brenda Oates, 1 (Continue Page 2)



Monument marks grave of Col. Fannin, Jr. and his men who surrendered to Mexican forces during the Texas Revolution and were massacred at the order of Gen. Santa Anna—March 27, 1836.



STAFF

Glenn Brunson, *Editor*
gbrunson@austin.rr.com

VP 512.410.0547

Beth & Les Hill

*Subscription & Mailing
 Managers*

Nicholas Garza,
Membership Chairman
ngaghg@hotmail.com

2012-2014 TADSC Officers

Earl Day, *President*

James Ed White, *Vice-President*

Joanne Brininstool, *Secretary*

Glenn Brunson,
Treasurer

Eileen Hurne

Hospitality Committee

Beth Strain and Brenda Mills

Entertainment Committee

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

Every First Wednesday a month at
 1:00 p.m.

South Austin Senior Activity Center
 3911 Manchaca Road
 Austin, Texas 78704

December 4, 2013

Cancelled

No Meeting

December 11, 2013

Christmas Lunch

11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Austin Assoc. of the Deaf Club

January 8, 2014

Happy New Year!

TAD-SC Meeting

February 5, 2014

March 5, 2014

April 2, 2014

April 8-9, 2014

**Deaf Seniors of Texas Sympo
 San Marcos, Texas**

May 7, 2014

TADSC Meeting

To be announced date

Hill Country Flyer

Ride Southern Pacific Steam Engine
 Cedar Park, Texas to Burnet, Texas

Vicki Anderson, Charles Hawkins, Fourth row; Jack Giacona, Margaret Fewell, Charm Montalvo, Janet Morris, Alan Stein, Jo Reins, Brenda Mills, John Mills, David Anderson, Maria Carrillo, Sheri Crawford, Fifth row; Susan Kallina, Mario Montalvo, Marilyn Nixon, Larry Evans, Iris Sandell, Carolyn Cook, Vivian Hesser, John Hesser, Beth Strain-Hill, Ed James White, Reynaldo Carrillo, Back row; Mark Gunderson, William Kendall, James Maxwell, Kathy Light, and Fred Newberry.

On Thursday, November 7th, 2013, forty-nine (49) Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens and La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos took a field trip to Goliad, Texas to visit Presidio La Bahia estab. 1749 of Texas Revolution fame, and the nearby monument over the grave of Col. James W. Fannin, Jr. and his soldiers. We brought an interpreter on this trip and La Bahia's guide lectured on the history of the old fort for 40 minutes inside the beautiful chapel. We were surprised to learn that Texas was under nine different flags. After that, we all went back home. Everyone had a great time. (Photo by Glenn Brunson and Sonja Smith)



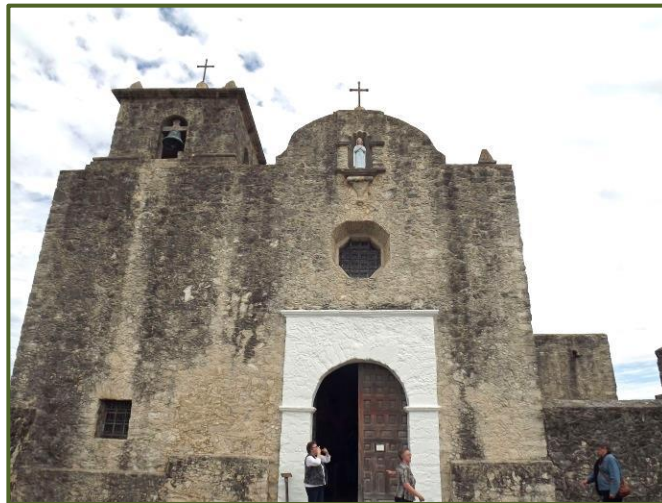
Courthouse in Goliad, Texas



inside the Courthouse



THE HANGING TREE –Site for court sessions at various times from 1846 to 1870. Capital sentences called for by the courts were carried out immediately, by means of a rope and a convenient limb. Hangings not called for by regular courts occurred here during the 1857 “Cart War” - a series of attacks made by Texas freighters against Mexican drivers along the Indianola-Goliad-San Antonio Road where about 70 men were killed. Some of them were hanged from the tree before the war was halted by Texas Rangers.



Presidio La Bahia- As conquistadors of centuries ago explored new lands for “God, Gold and Glory,” the Church played an integral part in colonization and dominion over vast New World empires. *See the picture of the bell on the right:* it's one of the chapel bells shot by Mexican troops in celebration, when a rumor of Gen. Santa Anna being rescued from Sam Houston's army was heard after the battle of San Jacinto.



Inside the beautiful chapel, a La Bahia guide speaks about the chapel history.

We went for lunch at the Hanging Tree Restaurant in Goliad, Texas before going to the Presidio La Bahia.



William Kendall, Charles Hawkins, Joan & Robert Montfort



Maria & Reynado Carrillo

Susan Kallina



Fred Newberry, Barbie Vicencio, Margaret Fewell, James Maxwell



Brenda Oates, Beth Strain-Hill, John and Brenda Mills



John & Vivian Hesser, Charlene Bryan, and Pat Compton



David Anderson, Iris Sandell, Vicki Anderson, Marilyn Nixon



Glenn's sister Perky Ake, Pat Wagner, Kathy Walker, Ed White, Larry Evans, Glenn Brunson



Edith Hebert, Joanne & Carl Brininstool, Sonja Smith, Marian Seale, Carolyn Cook



Patti Wilson, Miriam Thumann, Ben Williams, Mary Whitsit



News and Notes

Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens



Christmas Buffet

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

(Buffet begins between 12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m.)

At Austin Association of the Deaf Club

8818 Cullen Lane

Austin, Texas 78748

More door prizes!

100 limit

Catering by Abuelo's Buffet

Enchiladas: Cheese, Beef,

Chicken & Tamales

Spanish rice, Refried, &

Papas Con Chile

Ice Tea & Dessert

\$10.00 per member

\$20.00 per non member

Please make a check or money order or cash payable to TAD-SC, Glenn Brunson, Treasurer, VP 512-410-0547. Deadline: December 1, 2013.

No Refund

Members or non-members will bring any kind of Desserts. Ask Beth Strain-Hill and Brenda Mills.



Celebrations

Bonnie Ramsey's 60th Birthday Party



A 60th birthday party was held at the Serrano's Tex Mex, Southpark Meadows, 9500 S. IH 35, Austin, Texas with her family and friends. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed themselves. **Happy Birthday!**



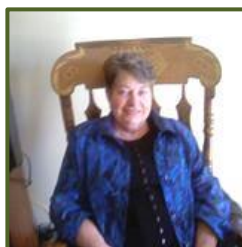
Josephine Loeffler's 60th Birthday



November 8th, 2013, Friday evening her friends at Austin Association of the Deaf gave her a birthday party. **Happy Birthday!**



Charlene Giacona was hostess for Halloween Tripokey on October 26th. The costume prize were: 1st place – Janet Morris as Scarecrow, 2nd place – Brenda Mills as Witch, 3rd place – Beth Strain-Hill as Mae West the actress, 4th place – Susan Kallina as Pink Fairy. Janet Morris won 1st place in the Halloween Spelling Bee. Congratulations to all who won prizes. (Submitted by Charlene Giacona)



Melba Beshears of Las Vegas, Nevada rode with Ann Marie and Ed White back to Austin, Texas from the seniors bowling tournament in Las Vegas. She stayed with her son in Austin, Texas until November 5th. She attended TSD. Everyone was so glad to see her.

TAD-SC NEW SUBSCRIPTION AND MAILING MANAGERS



Beth and Les Hill

Les and Beth Hill are now managing the subscription list and mailing for Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens (TAD-SC) newsletters each month. Eileen and Jimmy Brookes have been folding newsletters and making labels and envelopes to mail out in the past. From now on I will be Editor and Beth and Les will do the other chores. **Thank Beth and Les!** (Submitted by Glenn Brunson)

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 J.C.Morris
- 2 Jerry McGaugh
- 2 Ann Marie White
- 3 Ada Candanosa
- 3 Brenda Oates
- 3 Allen Whitener
- 4 Iris Sandell
- 4 Jerry Williams
- 7 William Schwall
- 8 Darlene Polson
- 9 James Maxwell
- 10 Doris Eads
- 10 Sandra Schwall
- 11 Earl Day
- 12 Larry Wade
- 12 James Ed White
- 16 Janet Campero
- 17 Guadalupe Martinez
- 18 Carol Craghan
- 20 Charles Jatzlau
- 23 Callie Frazier
- 23 Eva Anguelo
- 25 Marian Seale
- 27 Margie Bridges
- 27 Silvia Jaech
- 28 Geneviene Cummings
- 28 Henry Harvard
- 30 Jimmy Brookes
- 31 Joe Ed Thompson



Note: We missed listing Douglas Kitten's birthday on November 4th. Please accept our apologies, Douglas. **Happy Belated Birthday to you.**



SAN MARCOS NEWS

La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos are having a meeting on December 12, 2013 Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at La Vista Retirement Community Center.

Mark your Calendar!

Halloween Party at La Vista Retirement



Jo Reins



Leon Hudson



James Maxwell & Patti Wilson



Darlena Hawkins



Dorisjean Williams and Sandra Turner



Vicki Hudson

La Vista Residents celebrated their Halloween party at community center on October 31, 2013, Thursday evening. They served refreshments and Door Prizes. They just have fun and parties.



November 9th, 2013, A Dozen of Red Roses from La Vista Retirement Apartments went out to eat at Willie's Grill and Icehouse Restaurant in New Braunfels, Texas.

Left to Right: Top; Margaret Fewell, Elaine Withrow, Juanita Basham, Darlene Polson, Virginia Ruebush, Bottom; Sandra Turner, Marian Seale, Joan Stovall, and Barbie Vicencio.



Reuben McGill 1924 -2013



Reuben McGill, age 89, passed away, Friday, October 25, 2013 in Amarillo, Texas. Reuben was born October 20, 1924, in Shamrock, Texas to John and Mattie McGill. He attended the School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas. He moved to Amarillo in the 1950s. Reuben was very well known in the deaf community throughout Texas and across



TSD 1947

the United States. He was responsible for teaching many people sign language. Reuben was very active in his church. He was a loving, kind and generous person to everyone that he knew and he will be greatly missed. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, and two brothers. Survivors include his four nephews and three nieces; and sister-in-law Helen McGill. Burial would be in Llano Cemetery by Griggs-Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors. The family suggests memorials be sent to Paramount Baptist Deaf Church, 3817 S. Holiday Drive. Amarillo, TX 79109.

Marchie Elevenie Settles 1925-2013



Marchie Elevenie Settles, age 88, of Big Spring, Texas passed away on Monday, November 11, 2013 in a local nursing home. Marchie was born March 11, 1925 in Saint Jo, Texas to Charles Wesley Dunford Oliver and Willie Bernice James, and married Burr Lea Settles November 7,



TSD 1942

1947 in Fredericksburg, Texas. He preceded her in death November 6, 1999. She attended Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas. She worked as a presser at a variety of dry cleaners in Big Spring, but worked at Gregg Street Cleaners on a regular basis. Prior to this she worked in Oklahoma in an airplane manufacturing company during World War II. Survivors include one daughter, Marcia Green and husband, Rennon, of Temple; two sons, Burr Lea Settles, Jr. and wife, Sharon of Big Spring, and William Rowan Settles, of Wichita, KS; six grandchildren, Burr Lee Settles, III of Big Spring, Mark Settles of Forsan, Shawn Settles of San Antonio, Cara Mia Green of Rochester, NY, Amelia Settles of Austin, Rennon Green, Jr. of Denton, and six great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her parents Charles Wesley Dunford Oliver and Willie James Oliver, and one brother Edwin Perkins Oliver. Graveside services would be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 14, 2013 at the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel, in Big Spring with Bishop Carl Condray, officiating. Honorary pallbearers will be the grandsons and great grandsons. The family would like to thank the Staff of Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and of Compass Hospice for the care given to their mother.



President's Christmas message

This year 2013 has been truly wonderful to all of us. We have had many out of town visitors this year. Well, all they had to say about TAD-SC was.. "Wow...Wow...you TAD-SC people are wonderful!" or "Gosh, we wish that we had an organization like yours in our hometown." Etc. This makes us feel great appreciative of ourselves. We TAD-SC officers wish you all Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Earl Day,
President*

Texas School for the Deaf will close for Christmas Holidays on Friday, December 20th. Students will return to school on Monday, January 6th, 2014.

RECIPE **Pumpkin Pecan Pie**

By Ruby Rueffer

INGREDIENTS:

PUMPKIN LAYER

1 cup 100% Pure Pumpkin
 1/3 cup Granulated Sugar
 1 large egg
 1 tsp. Pumpkin Pie Spice
 1 unbaked 9-inch deep-dish pie shell



PECAN LAYER

2/3 cup light corn syrup
 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 2 large eggs
 3 Tbsp. butter, melted
 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
 1 cup pecan halves

DIRECTIONS: Preheat oven to 350f

FOR PUMPKIN LAYER: Combine pumpkin, sugar, egg and pumpkin pie spice in medium bowl, stir well.

Spread over bottom of pie shell.

FOR PECAN LAYER: Combine corn syrup, sugar, eggs, butter and vanilla extract in same bowl; stir in nuts.

Spoon over pumpkin layer.

Bake 50 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack.

RENEVALS AND NEW MEMBERS/SUBSCRIBER:

Wayne L. Carter, Henry & Minnie Collins, Patricia D. Earwood, Callie Frazier, Robbie Guerri, Janie G. Morales, Leonor Royce, Marlene Rosendahl, Evelyn Norman, Mildred Reeves, Charles E. Cummings, Genevieve Cummings, Sallie Curtis, Dorothy Floyd, Nick & Maria Garza, Richard & Mary Giuntoli, Domingo Gloria Mark Gunderson, Tommy Hileman, Marvin J. House, Jr., Earl W. Johnson, Douglas Kitten, Richard Odom, Martha Pruitt, Iris Sandall, Marian Seale Larry Smith, Arnold Urban, Sr.

DONATIONS TO TAD-SC:

- Leonor Royce donated to TAD-SC, Thank you.
- Dorothy Floyd donated in memory of Joy Max Floyd, Thank you.
- Kathryn Caldcleugh donated in memory of Max Floyd, Joan Picou, Patsy Hoffman, Richard Fair, and Donna F. Tomlin, Thank you.



EDITOR'S NOTE: Please send any news announcement, notes or favorite recipes by December 20th, 2013 to TAD-SC, Editor Glenn Brunson, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749 or email gbrunson@austin.rr.com

Thank you.

NEXT TAD-SC MEETING **January 8th, 2014**

At 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

South Austin Senior Activity Center
 3911 Manchaca Rd.
 Austin, Texas 78704

Don't Forget No Regular Meeting

Wednesday, December 4th, 2013



BE SEEING YOU THERE!

TSD Christmas Party – 1950-1951



Left to Right: first row; Camen , Maria Cortez, Juanita Patten, no name, 2nd row; Rosie Jenkins, Betty Alexander, Dorothy Miller, Judy Hardwick, Brenda Ashton, Brenda Simpson, Angeline Spivey, 3rd row; no name, Betty Blankenship, Delia Cortez, Erna Rueffer, no name, and Sandra Hobbs



Left to Right; first row; Tommy Proctor, Kenneth Keith, Tommy Ross, Keith McCulloch, Gary Green, Marcus Vahalik, Isidro Gutierrez, 2nd row; Michael Priday, Jesus Inclan, Eddie Woodside, Bernard Pekar, Jimmy Dennis, Rafael Gonzales, Richard Odom, Robert Powell, 3rd row; Dewayne Jones, no name, Raymond Chandler, Willie Broussard, Alfred Wagner. (Courtesy of TSDAA Archives)

Mystery Christmas Carol #2

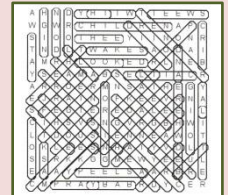
The words listed below are from a familiar Christmas Carol. What is it?
Find and circle all of the words hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters will spell the name of the Christmas Carol.

```

A H N D Y H T I W T T E E W S
W G W R C H I L D R E N A P C
S I O O T H E E Y I I N O N R
T N D L T W A K E S A O D A I
A M R H L O O K E D R L N E B
Y S E A M A B S E L T T A C R
A R R O E R M N S A I H E G Y
E J R A I N O F K E E V R N A
S F E G T E R E O A L E E I L
C I H S V S N G V R G B H W I
L T D O U S I E N N E A W O T
O K L E E S N H A I Y V D L T
S S R K K G G M E W Y E E U L
E A A Y P E E L S A A R B R E
C M P R A Y B A B R D Y C E R

```

ALL	CATTLE	HEAVEN	LOWING	STAY
AND	CHILDREN	HIS	MAKES	SWEET
ASK	CLOSE	JESUS	MANGER	TAKE
ASLEEP	CRIB	LAI	MORNING	TENDER
AWAY	CRYING	LAY	NEAR	THEE
BABY	DEAR	LITTLE	NIGH	THERE
BED	DOWN	LIVE	POOR	THY
BLESS	FOREVER	LOOK	PRAY	WAKES
BRIGHT	FROM	LOOKED	SIDE	WHERE
BUT	HAY	LORD	SKY	WITH
CARE	HEAD	LOVE	STARS	



Membership/Subscription Application Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens P.O. Box 41134 Austin, Texas 78704



New Subscriber \$10.00

Renewal Subscriber \$10.00

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zipcode: _____

Videophone: _____ TTY: _____

Email: _____ Birthday: _____

- Donation _____ to TAD-SC (Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens).
- Gift Member/ Subscription from: _____ (\$10.00 per person (1 year))
- Donation to TAD-SC \$ _____ in memory of _____



Please mail the above form with a check or money order payable to Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens (TAD-SC) Attn. Nicholas Garza, Membership Chairperson, P.O. Box 41134, Austin, Texas 78704 *Thank you for your support..*