

# Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens Newsletter *Austin, Texas*

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## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



**Texas School for the Deaf – Primary Hall  
January, 1945**

Left to right;

*Top Row: Gordon Warner, Jakie Newman, Edward Hoffman, Miss Erna Webb, Teacher, and Bobby Dennis.*

*Front Row: Kenneth Covington, James Knighton, Darlene Johnson, Annice Webb, and Jimmy Brookes*

*(Given Original Photo to TSD Heritage Center by Jimmy Brookes)*



## NEWS & NOTES

### EDITOR'S NOTE

***Please send any news, announcement note, or favorite recipes Deadline September 26, 2008*** to the Editor Glenn Brunson, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749 or email to [gbrunson@austin.rr.com](mailto:gbrunson@austin.rr.com)

***TSD Homecoming will be on October 4, 2008, Saturday. TSD vs. Maryland School for the Deaf at 5:30 p.m.***

### CORRECTIONS:

#### ***FIELD TRIP TO HOUSTON, TEXAS***

On ***WEDNESDAY*** (not on Thursday), ***September 24, 2008***, Houston Deaf Senior of Texas will host a 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet-Buffer Dinner. A Kerrville Charter Bus will pick up the Austin group at South Austin Senior Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca Rd. at 5:30 a.m. and then pick up the La Vista group in San Marcos at 6:00 a.m. We expect to arrive there about 10:00 a.m. Cost for bus is \$5.00 per person. Please pay either Ed White, Vice President in Austin or President Earl Day at La Vista.

#### ***FIELD TRIP TO FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS***

On October 23, 2008, Thursday, Come to sign up and pay \$10.00 per person at TAD – SC Meeting on September 4. Depart at 8:00 a.m. at South Austin Senior Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca Rd. and then pick up the La Vista Retirement Community Center in San Marcos at 8:30 a.m. **Additional Expenses: Your meal.** We will stop at Wild Seed Farm near Stonewall, Texas, before we arrive home by about 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### LABOR DAY PICNIC AT LA VISTA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

La Vista will have a BBQ on Labor Day, September 1, 2008, Monday, from 11:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. Denzil Fewell will grill the wieners and BBQ chopped Beef from Fusk. It will cost \$3.00 per person for whomever brings a side dish or weiners or buns for Denzil to cook. The cost is \$5.00 per person for those who bring nothing. You are welcome to join La Vista senior citizens to celebrate Labor Day. For more information, see Denzil Fewell, VP 512.693.9398.

### HAPPY 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY TO JUANITA GUNN



*Juanita Gunn*

Juanita Gunn's family and his friends in La Vista Retirement Community gave her the birthday party on August 1, Friday at 1:00

pm to 4:00 pm. She was so surprised. The refreshment served. She really enjoyed it.

#### MORE NEWS

Bob Barlow TSD 1949 went to a Dallas hospital on August 1<sup>st</sup> for the weekend. He is back home now. *Get Well, Bob!*

#### VIRGINIA RUEBUSH'S VACATION



Virginia Ruebush

Nita Stroyick and Virginia Ruebush of La Vista vacationed in the state of Virginia during August. They arrived on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and went to Grottoes for a Virginia School for the Deaf picnic, staying all day. After that, they went to Staunton Deaf Club. A friend, Charles and his wife, took them home for a night, and the next day, Sunday, they all went shopping. On Monday, they went to the Virginia School for the Deaf to visit the museum, etc. On Tuesday, they visited another friend, Betty Evans, and stayed with her for several weeks. They visited Amish Country, then went to Shipman, Virginia to see Virginia's sister, Eva. She and her sister had not seen each other for four years and were very happy to see each other. Virginia also went sightseeing at Skyline Drive and Natural Bridge, and expects to return home to San Marcos about August 26 or 27. *(Sent by Virginia Ruebush)*

#### ALPINE TOUR PRESENTATION



Franna Camenisch gave a slide presentation of her Alpine tour in Europe at the Senior Citizens meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Walt and Franna Camenisch joined a Hands On Travel tour. Terry Giansanti, a deaf man living in Italy, own Hands On Travel and arranges trips for small groups. Walt and Franna were in a group of twelve with Donaldda Ammons as tour guide. Franna talked about deaf culture in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland.

We thank her for a very interesting talk!

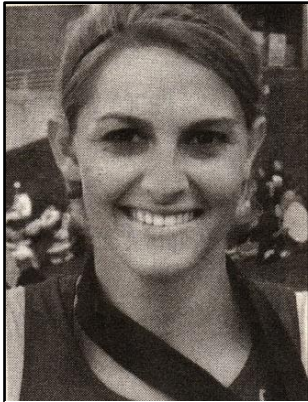
*(Sent by Joanne Brininstool)*

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4	Margaret Fewell
8	Janet Morris
10	Bobby Creed
10	Mary Harvard
12	Vera Butler
18	Audrey Brooker
19	Sally Porter
20	Estelle Heintschel
21	Ronny Taylor
24	Glenda Barale
25	Judy Hill
30	Patsy Compton



## HANNAH MAENIUS TO CHALLENGE IN TAIPEI



Hannah Maenius

When Hannah Maenius steps onto the track in Taipei next year, she will become the first Olympian in Fredericksburg history.

Through she will not be competing in Beijing during the 2008 Summer

Olympic Games, Maenius will run the 800 meters and the 4x400 meter relay during the 2009 Deaf Olympics held in Taiwan.

"It is a very special opportunity for me to show others that having a hearing impairment does not limit my abilities as a runner and the drive to win," She said.

Maenius won the University Interscholastic League (UIL) AAAA state title in the 800 meters as a senior at Fredericksburg High School.

Currently running track and cross country at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, she set the school record in the event during the 2007 season with a mark of 2:18.08.

She was selected to join Team USA for the Deaf Olympics after her story became publicized in the Austin American-Statesman in 2005.

Sometime between the age of 6-10 months, her mother, Jeanenne Maenius, said Hannah lost hairs within the cochlear of her ears, which caused the hearing impairment. At age 12, Hannah received a cochlear implant, which aids her in hearing. Mrs. Maenius said hearing split times is difficult though for Hannah as the times are called from her left and the implant is on her right. For Maenius, the journey to Taipei began with competitive running during field day at

Stonewall Elementary, she said and took shape during seventh grade track when she first ran the 800 meters.

Now the deaf American record holder in the event with a time of 2:11.2, she has set her sights on a gold medal in 2009. "We always thought she'd be good enough to complete internationally," Mrs. Maenius said.

After Taipei, Hannah will likely take some time off, as her collegiate eligibility will expire prior to the Olympics.

From there, the future is yet to be written, Mrs. Maenius said, though Hannah has shown interest in competing in the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. Being hearing impaired has not affected her running ability, Hannah said, and her fellow teammates and competitors have been understanding. "Most athletes I compete with are extremely friendly and have no problem talking to me, she said. "There will always be people who look at me as though I have something wrong with me, but in reality I don't and I have learned not to let those few bother me." Her advice for young athletes, both with and without hearing impairments:

"Never let anyone tell you 'you can't.' If there is something you really want to achieve, don't hold back, just go for it," she said.

"There will be obstacles along the way, but use them to make yourself stronger and more determined." *(Copied by Fredericksburg Standard Radio Post Newspapers August 6, 2008)*

Austin Deaf Club is going to host a family friendly event, "Family FunFest" on September 20, 2008. It will be an all day event and the event is a carnival type of party for all ages.

## DO YOU REMEMBER EDITH GILMORE?



Miss Edith Gilmore, formerly a TSD houseparent, retired during the 1960's. She is now 101 years old and lives in San Marcos, Texas. *(Sent by Kathryn Caldcleugh)*

Mary Lynn White enjoyed visiting her daughter Debbie Lacey and family for a week. She wished to see all of you but the time was short as Herbert did not come with me. He is feeling lot better. We will come back Austin in October so it'll cool off. Have a good summer. *(Sent by Mary Lynn White)*

## OBITUARIES



**Ralph Joseph Carr**, age 76, TSD'52 passed away on June 21, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Wanda (Stephens) TSD'52 of 56 years; daughters, Sally and

Marty; sons, Ralph, Larry and Jerry; 10 grandchildren; and sister Dolores. A visitation was held at 2-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 25, 2008, at Stowers Funeral Home with a life celebration at 3:30 p.m., at which black is not the color to be worn.



**Dewana (Clark) Collins**, 72, of Austin, Texas passed away on Monday, August 18, 2008. She was born in Hope, Arkansas on April 7, 1936. She attended

Texas School for the Deaf in 1953 and

graduated in 1956. She was employed by Texas Highway Department for 13 years and TSD until she retired in 1994. She was preceded in death by her parents, Opal Bobo and Tracy Clark, husband Sam W. Lane and brother Billy Clark. She survived by her husband Billy Collins; children Sam Lane; Julie Lane; David Lane; William Lane; step-sons, Billy Collins, Jr.; Alan Collins; Anthony Collins; grandchildren, Michelle Lane; Sam Cody Lane; David Lane, Jr.; great-grandchildren Lliam Lane; sisters Linda Clark and Troy Jean Clark. Visitation will be held from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday, August 21, 2008 at Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home. Service will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, August 22, 2008 at South Congress Avenue Baptist Church with Rev. Larry Barnett officiating.

### FACT OF THE DAY: *shopping center*

The first shopping center in a suburb was in Kansas City, Missouri and the first tenant moved in 1923. It had 150 stores and a 2000-seat auditorium. The first enclosed climate-controlled suburban shopping mall was Southdale, in Edina, Minnesota, opened in 1956. The first pedestrian shopping mall was constructed in 1959 in Kalamazoo, Michigan. *(Sent by Morris Porter)*

### FACT OF THE DAY: *black cow*

The "black cow" or "root beer float" was created on August 19, 1893. Frank J. Wisner, owner of Cripple Creek Brewing in Colorado, served the first root beer float. Inspired by the moonlit view of snow-capped Cow Mountain, Mr. Wisner added a scoop of ice cream to his Myers Avenue Red root beer and began serving it as the "Black Cow Mountain." The name was later shortened to "black cow."

### A DEAF PERSON SEEING A UFO

Aln Martin, a deaf resident of Australia, in the Outback, said he saw a UFO.

This discovery made the Australian news. He described the UFO as one with red, green and blue lights on a huge disc. And that is appeared in the day time but only hung around in the skies before disappearing. DeafDigest knows of several deaf people in the west Texas/New Mexico region claiming they have spotted UFO's in the skies. And these discoveries were pretty much ignored – as if it was commonplace!

#### **Texas School for the Deaf Varsity Football Schedule**

Aug.29, at Fort Bend Baptist Academy  
7 p.m.  
Sept. 5, Cypress Christian 7 p.m. at TSD.  
Sept. 12, at Brazos Christian High School  
Sept. 20, California School for the Deaf,  
Riverside at TSD  
Sept. 26 St. Paul High School 7 p.m. at TSD  
Oct. 4 Maryland School for the Deaf  
5:30 p.m. at TSD Homecoming.  
Oct. 10 Dallas Home School 7 p.m. at TSD  
Oct. 17 at A+Academy 7 p.m.  
Oct. 24 at St. Joseph Catholic High School  
7 p.m.  
Oct. 30 Regents 7 p.m. at TSD  
Nov. 7 at Waco Reicher Catholic HS  
7:30 p.m.

**RENEWAL MEMBERS:** *Glenda Barale, Ed White, Denzil & Margaret Fewell, Sandra Turner, Bobby Creed, Connie Griffin, Paula Harris, Bobbie Cheatham, Charles Melugin, and Nimm Shelton.*

**NEW MEMBERS:** *Larry & Karen Whitworth, Edith Herbert, Richard Duncan, Lavonne Penny and Rosie Serna.*

#### **NEXT MEETING**

South Austin Senior Activity Center  
3911 Manchaca Road

**Regular Meeting  
September 4, 2008, Thursday  
At 1:00 p.m.**

*Be seeing you there!*

Football Season is on! Let us have fun.....watching games on TV & at the stadium.....

Hey.....Did you hear about the football palyer who went to the telephone store and bought a wide receiver?

It cost him \$29.75, so he gave the cashier \$30 and got a quarter back.

On what day are more babies born than any other day of the year?

Of course, the answer is **LABOR DAY!**

*(Send by Evelyn Kamuchey)*

#### **LABOR DAY HOLIDAY**

Labor Day is a national legal holiday thatis over 100 years old. Over the years, it has evolved from a purely labor union celebration into a general “last fling of summer” festival.

It grew out of a celebration and parade in honor of the working class by the Knights of Labor in 1882 in New York. In 1884, the Knights held a larage parade in New York City celebrating the working class. The parade was held on the first Monday in September. The Knights passed a resolution to hold all future parades on the same day, designated by them as **Labor Day**.



## RECIPE

### CREAM CHEESE SQUARE

- 2 – Cans Crescent Rolls
- 2 – 8 oz. pkg cream cheese
- 1 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 egg (separated)
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans (optional)

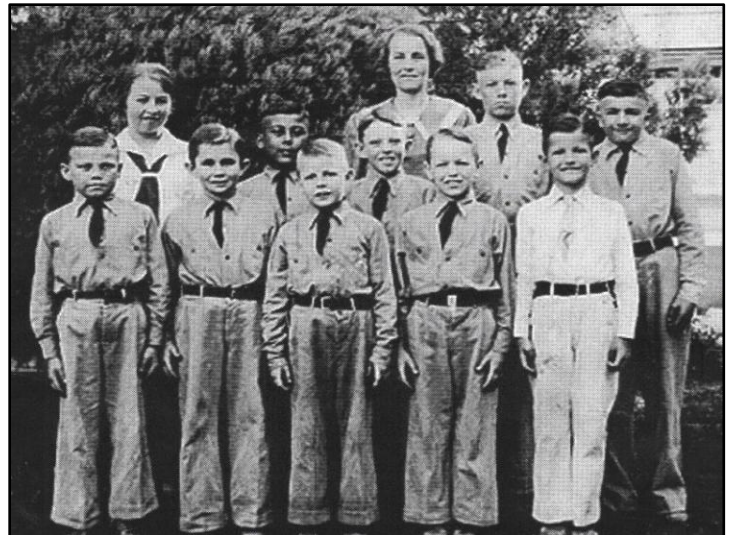
Grease 13x9 inch glass pass. Preheat oven to 325\*. Lay 1 can of rolls on the bottom of the baking dish. Add together the cream cheese, vanilla, 1 cup of sugar, and egg yolk. Beat and spread over dough. Lay the other can of rolls over the cream cheese. Beat egg white with a fork and spread over the dough layer. Mix 1/2 cup sugar with cinnamon and pecans. Sprinkle on top. Bake 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Cool and cut into squares. This is a quick and easy recipe and delicious.

## TSD STUDENTS BACK TO SCHOOL IN 1895's



(Copy Photo from TSD Heritage Center)

## DO YOU KNOW THEM?



MAY, 15, 1935

Left to Right – **Front Row:** Teacher Miss Mary Belle Searight, Richard Spider, Otho Penix, Billy Porter, Harold McDonald, and Glynn Whittemore. **Back Row:** Louise Foster, Manuel Garza, Finice Taylor, A.J. Thorn, and Willie Garza.

## School Days

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## SCHOOL DAYS

BACKPACK  
 TEACHER  
 MATH  
 SCIENCE  
 GYM  
 SCHOOL  
 STUDENT  
 READING  
 SOCIAL STUDIES  
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 BOOKS  
 ERASER  
 WRITING  
 MUSIC  
 LIBRARY  
 PENCIL  
 NOTEBOOK  
 SPELLING  
 ART  
 LEARNING

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### SENIOR CITIZENS

(Above 55 years old)

#### ***TAD-SC Membership Dues***

***\$10.00 a year***

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Renewal Members ☐

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

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