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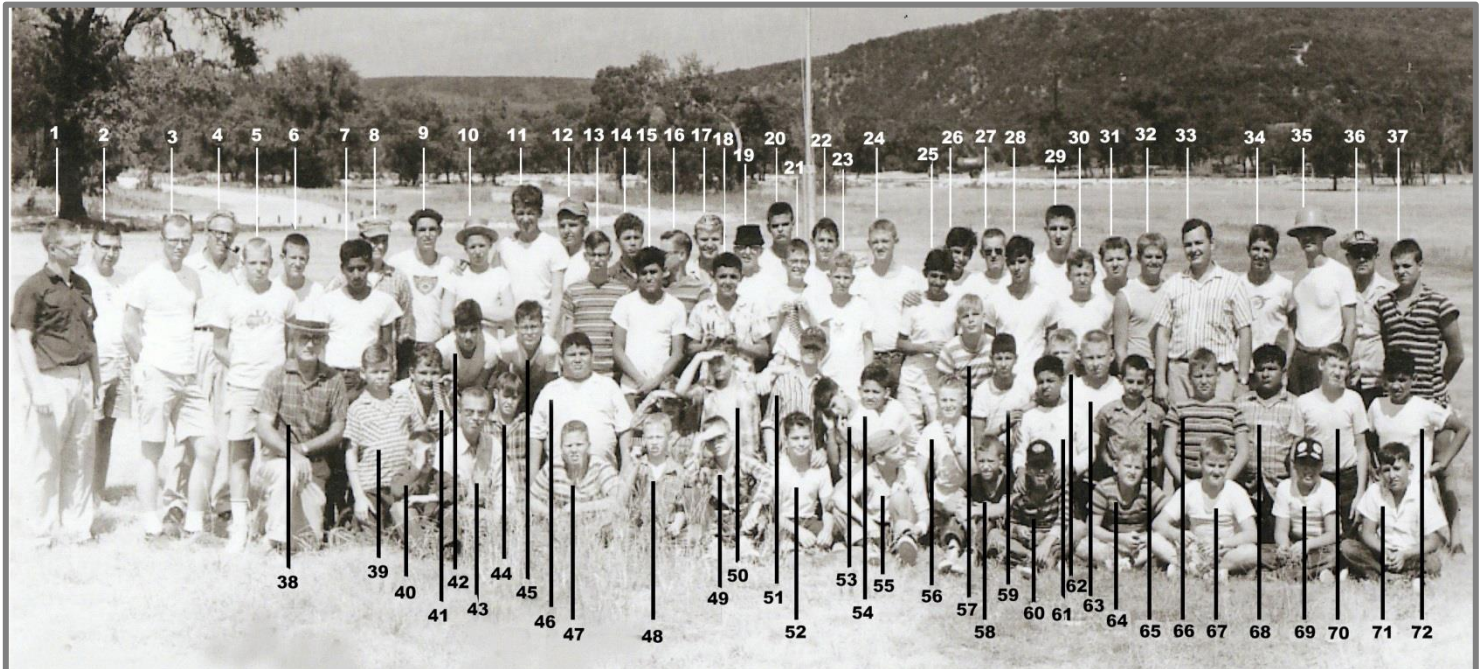
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May, 2014



TSD BOY SCOUTS SPEND WEEK AT CAMP TOM WOOTEN NEAR LAKE AUSTIN; MAKE ADVANCEMENT IN ALL CAMPING ACTIVITIES

September 18 – 24, 1960



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| 1 Mr Bruce Turley | 13. Anthony Pinto | 25. Juan Gonzalez | 37 Bobby Alcorn | 49. Larry Brooks | 61. Jose Cortez |
| 2. | 14. Raymond Storey | 26. Guadalupe Rodriguez | 38. Mr Barney Heintschel | 50. | 62. Edward Sivek |
| 3. Mr Thomas Rucker | 15. David Garica | 27. Mr Ande Manseau | 39. Emmett Mancill | 51. Tommy Boltman | 63. Melvin Rueffer |
| 4. Mr William Milligan | 16. John Bowling | 28. Nick Garza | 40. Mr Waldo Newcomb's son | 52. Barry Blalock | 64. Donald Kirkland |
| 5. Joe Ed Thompson | 17. Lynn Wood | 29. Mr Carl Brininstool | 41. Mike Barnes | 53. | 65. Jimmy Putman |
| 6. James Cody | 18. Domingo Gloria | 30. Richard Barnes | 42. | 54. Felix Guerra | 66. James Stovall |
| 7. Juan Gonzales | 19. Dallas Early | 31. James McNeely | 43. Mr Waldo Newcomb | 55. Carroll Willis | 67. Ronald Kirkland |
| 8. Monty Duncan | 20. Bert Hill | 32. Leslie Hill | 44. John Lee | 56. Freddie Simerka | 68. Johnny Martinez |
| 9. Eddie Woodside | 21. Charles Turbiville | 33. Mr Jerry Hassell | 45. Jack Haines | 57. David Wagner | 69. Jerry Moreno |
| 10. Stanley Green | 22. Noel Smith | 34. Ken McLellan | 46. Juan Rodriguez | 58. Eddie Lofton | 70. Jerry Hammett |
| 11. Billy Ennis | 23. Allen Duve | 35. Mr Jack Hensley | 47. Billy Redden | 59. | 71. Richard Rivas |
| 12. Gary Green | 24. Freddy Clifton | 36. Mr Gwendel Butler | 48. Samuel Jones | 60. Dale Frankenhansen | 72. Tony Gonzales |

Eighty Boys Scouts and their leaders from Texas School for the Deaf enjoyed a full week of camp activities from September 18 through the 24th. There was plenty of whooping and hollering, fun and frolicking during this period as the boys participated in various Scouting activities on the camp program. Since the boys are not in the Capitol Area throughout the summer, they take a week off from school each fall to go to Camp Tom Wooten. *(Thanks Stanley Green, TSD 1965 and Bert Hill, TSD 1964 for help to find the names in this picture for the TSD Heritage Center.)* *(The TSD Lone Star – October 1, 1960)*



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Entertainment Committee

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

First Wednesday of the month at
 1:00 p.m.

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

May 7, 2014

No meeting

June 4, 2014

July 2, 2014

August 6, 2014

September 3, 2014

October 1, 2014

November 5, 2014

December 3, 2014

May 7, 2014

THE 8th ANNUAL TADSC Picnic
 At Austin Deaf Club

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

Field Trip to Boerne, Texas
 By La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos

June 21, 2014

Hill Country Flyer

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

Christmas Party – Dec. 3, 2014
 At Green Pasture Restaurant

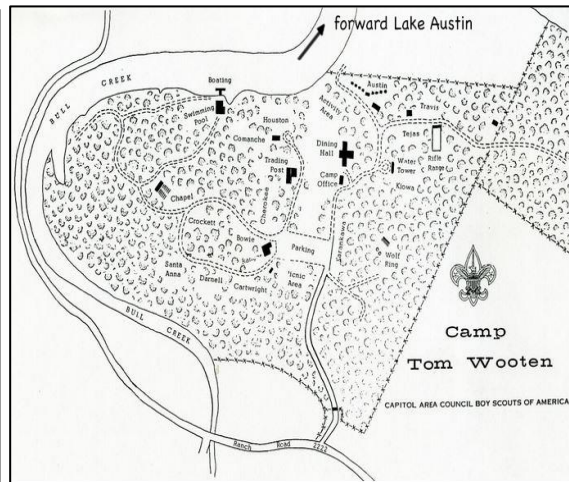
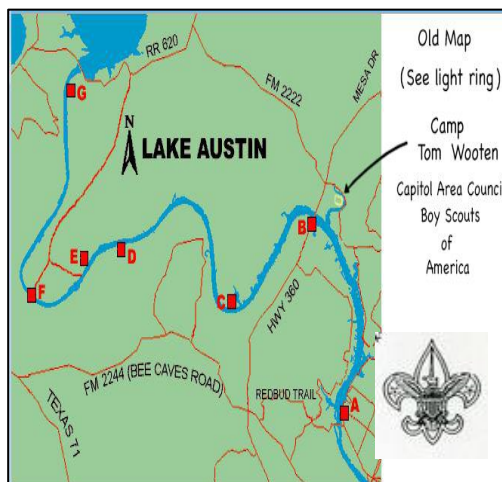


Left to Right: Billy Ennis, Gary Green, Monty Duncan, Freddy Clifton, Bert Hill, Marine Sgt. John Kopacz, Stanley Green, and Joe Thompson. (TSD Lone Star – October 1, 1960)

TSD BOY SCOUT CAMP AT TOM WOOTEN NEAR LAKE AUSTIN

September 18-24, 1960

Marine Sgt. John R. Kopacz taught riflery to the TSD Boy Scouts throughout the week that they were at Camp Tom Wooten. A wonderful climax came for the boys when he brought several types of heavier weapons from Marine Corps Reserve and taught them the intricacies of firing them.



MAY BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Glenn Brunson
- 2 Betty Thrasher
- 5 Kathie Briscoe
- 6 Wayne L. Carter
- 6 Sandi Goldberg
- 10 Darrell Brumley
- 10 May Wille
- 18 Joan Montford
- 19 Vicki Hudson
- 20 Jerry Capell
- 25 Constance Strain

The 8th Annual TAD-SC Picnic
 at Austin Deaf Club's Outside Back yard
 8818 Cullen Lane Austin, Texas 78748 **Door Prizes**

BBQ LUNCH AT 12:30 P.M.
 Food provided by
 La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos

MAY 7th, 2014
 Bring your favorite desserts
 See Beth Hill or Brenda Mill
 11:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.
 \$5.00 per TAD-SC & LVDSSM
 \$10.00 per non-members

Sold Out

For more information, contact Chairperson
 Kathryn Caldcleugh or Patti Fry



Deaf Seniors of Texas

DST SYMPO 2014

April 8-9, 2014

Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens (TAD-SC) proudly host
Second Biennial Deaf Senior 50+ Symposium

At Embassy Suites Hotel Conference Center

1001 E. McCarty Lane

San Marcos, Texas 78666

Theme: DEAF SENIORS BE EMPOWERED



Embassy Suite & Conference Center in San Marcos as Headquarters



Brenda Mills, Barbara & Glenn Brunson, Brenda Oates, Beth Hill

Registration



160+ Participated in Second Biennial Symposium

Four local senior citizen organizations in Austin, Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston and Temple/Waco helped establish Deaf Seniors of Texas (DST) in 2012 to focus on

sharing and delivering the existing resources available so as to promote the overall well-being of all deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens in Texas. The second biennial symposium for deaf seniors 50+ was hosted by Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens (Austin) on April 8-9, 2014 at Embassy Suites & Convention Center in San Marcos. The 160+ participants saw two reasons for that kind of symposium that are for them: in-depth education needed for this certain group and graceful socialization with people of the same age group. DST was fortunate to have over 50 corporate partners, 6 exhibitors and 100 individual donors that made the second symposium possible and successful, and also enable DST to have better and varied workshops mostly run by deaf experts as listed: 1. "Love Easily, Live Gently and Let Go Gracefully" by Dr. Bobbie Beth Scoggins. 2. Alzheimer's Disease" by Mark Seeger and Marilyn Galloway. 3. "How to be a Care Giver" by Stacy Landry & Shawn Sweet. 4. "A Different World through Technology for Senior Citizens" by Susan Sien. 5. "Elderly Abuse" by Tracy Gentry & Kelsey Gilstrap. 6. "Dealing with Grief" by Father Tom Coughlin. 7. "Reverse Mortgage" by Danny Lacey. 8. "Identity Theft" by Paul Rutowski. More information & pictures at: www.deafseniorsoftexas.org/gallery/sympo2014/



The opening ceremony was led by Dr. Bobbie Beth Scoggins delivering "Love Easily, Live Gently and Let Go Gracefully"



Tote Bags given by San Marcos Chamber of Commerce. Program Book printed by Ranger Press and front page designed by Edgar Quinonez, TSD Senior 2014. **Thanks.**



Exhibitors – La Vista Retirement Apartment Market, Austin, Texas
Beverly Duncan, Sallie Curtis & Carol Craghan



Exhibitors- Heritage Square Assisted Living Services, Fort Worth, Texas. Patricia & Carl Earwood



Workshop – Connie Jasso, Patsy Compton, Patsy Walker



Workshop – “Alzheimer’s Disease” by Mark Seeger & Marilyn Galloway.



Workshop – Larry & Karen Whitworth, Judy Ricca, David & Vicki Anderson, and Darlena Hawkins.



Workshops

DSTSYMP02014



Lunch after all workshops



George Aguilar, Mary Sandel, and Cynthia Aguilar



Miriam Thumann, Barbie Vicencio, and Elaine Withrow



Larry Evans wrapping up the Symposium.



Earl Day with "THANK YOU" message.



Mark Harris briefing us about the next symposium in Plano, Texas in 2016.

Photos by Mack Harris & Melvin Rueffer. Thanks for sharing with our newsletter.



Betty Jo Quinn, Janet Morris, and Charm Montalvo



Billy Buza (left) handing out gift certificates to Glenn Brunson (middle) and Earl Day (right) for their hard work.

CENTRAL TEXAS NEWS



Linda (Spann) Dragoo left TSD about 1967. She has a beloved brother, Charles Spann. Charles was a student at the Texas School for the Deaf. She lives at Heritage Square Assisted Living Services in Fort Worth, Texas.

(Submitted by Sara Havens)

I just learned that TSD Homecoming will be on November 1, 2014 next fall season. **Mark your calendar!** *(Submitted by Glenn Brunson)*

TSD will close school on June 5th, 2014 for the summer and students will return back to school next August 25th



Can you guzss?

Who this is?

Hint:

Born in Charlotte Virginia

Was a VSD 1952 Student

Answer on page 9

EDITOR'S NOTE: Please send any news announcement, notes, or favorite recipes by May 17, 2014 to TAD-SC, Editor Glenn Brunson, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749 or email gbrunson@austin.rr.com *Thank you.*

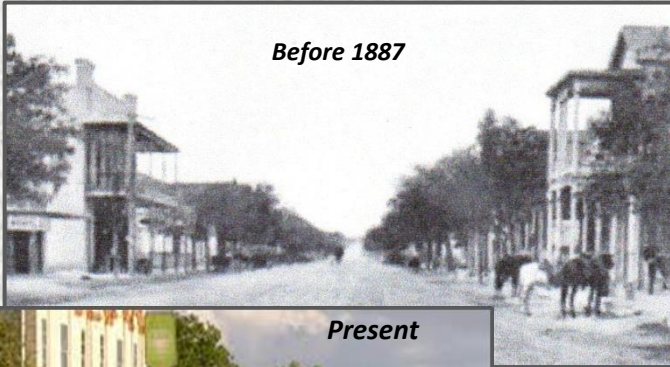
Junior Civitans Club's Pizza Party at Julius Seeger's home (1957-1958)



Left to Right: **Sitting row:** Virginia Rost, Charles Sandlin, Janelle Gartman, Alice Faye Jenkins, Dwayne Seely, Betty Alexander, Gloretta Sosebee, Simon Capetillo; **Second row:** Robert Whitworth, Glenn Crager, Wilma Winslow, Wynie Burton, Ann Griswold, Denzil Fewell, Beth Proffitt, Newton Weatherly, Martha Gates, Mary Faye Crenshaw, Betty Dietert; **Back row:** Donnie Tomlin, Edwin Easley, Glenn Brunson, and James Goolsby. *(Glenn Brunson donated original photo to TSDAA)*

Twenty-three TSD students and their dates were at Julius Seeger's house. Julius cooked homemade pizza that he learned from Italy after the World Deaf Olympics in Italy. At this time in the 1950's, the Austin area had no pizza restaurants. Pizza became a popular business during the 1970's. We never saw pizza in restaurants during the 1950's but we enjoyed eating Julius' homemade pizza. *(Submitted by Glenn Brunson)*

**SENIOR CITIZENS
TRIP TO BOERNE, TEXAS
Tuesday, May 20, 2014**



Before 1887



Present

1840

2014

The City of Boerne is named for Ludwig Boerne, who inspired many young men to leave Germany in the 1840's and travel to the new world. Some of these German pioneers created a settlement called "Tusculum" near present day Johns Road. Even after most of the original creators had moved on, a few of the men decided to remain and named the area Boerne.

Tentative

8:30 a.m.-Depart Austin Association of the Deaf, 8818 Cullen Lane, Austin.

9:15 a.m.-Depart La Vista, 1615 Redwood Rd., San Marcos.

Stop at New Braunfels for Break time

11:00 a.m.-Arrive Boerne

Get off at Main Street. Lunch-on your own expenses.

After lunch, shopping.

2:30 p.m.-Back on bus and visit old historical German house near Boerne downtown.

3:30 p.m. Depart Boerne

Stop at New Braunfels for Break time

5:00 p.m. Arrive La Vista

5:45 p.m. Arrive Austin.

\$10.00 per members \$20.00 per non-members

Sign your name and pay Barbie Vicencio, Treasurer \$10.00 to La Vista Deaf Senior of San Marcos or pay Glenn Brunson, Treasurer.

Deadline: May 8th, 2014

**BURNET COUNTY FAIR FLYER
TRIP TO BURNET, TEXAS
Saturday, June 21, 2014**



The Hill Country Flyer makes a special departure to take passengers to the Burnet County Fair. Festivities on the square are an easy walk from the train depot. Enjoy arts & crafts vendors and more. All trains are pulled by our 1960 Alco diesel locomotive.

Schedule

Train 72 seats for Deaf Seniors

\$18.00 per members & \$23.00 per non-members

8:00 a.m. Pick La Vista groups up 1615 Redwood Rd.

8:30 a.m. Pick other groups up at Deaf Club, 8818 Cullen Rd. 78748.

Depart for Cedar Park, Texas

Arrive Cedar Park Depot at 9:30 a.m.

Depart on time at 10:00 a.m. on train to trip to Burnet, Texas (two hours ride).

Stay in Burnet for 2-3 hours for your enjoyment of the County Fair and lunch on your expense.

Back on train at about 3:00 p.m. to return Cedar Park by 5:00 p.m.

Bus to pick us up at Depot.

Drop Groups off at Austin Deaf Club.

Drop La Vista Groups off at San Marcos.

Free bus ride limit 56 passengers. If more than 56, you need to drive to Cedar Park Depot, 401 E. Whitestone Blvd. Ste A-103, Cedar Park, Texas.

Sign your name and pay Glenn Brunson, Treasurer or Barbie Vicencio, Treasurer.

Deadline: June 4, 2014



SAN MARCOS NEWS

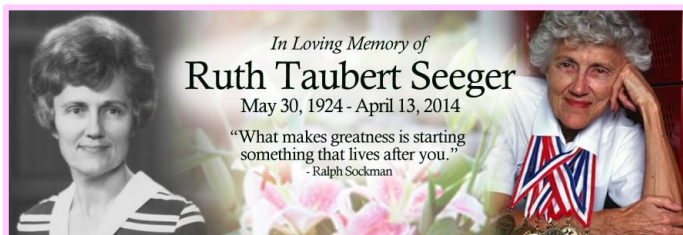
La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos are having a meeting on May 8, 2014 Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at La Vista Retirement Community Center. *Mark your Calendar!*

Our Condolences

To Virginia Ruebush for losing her sister-in-law
Susie Damron of Charlotte, Virginia
on April 18, 2014.



In Memoriam



(Copy Photo from Texas School for the Deaf)

Ruth Taubert Seeger's contributions to sports, her students, and the role model she has established for thousands of deaf children, are immeasurable. She strived to be like the famous woman athlete, "Babe" Didrickson.

Born to Olga Mogensen and William Taubert in Evan, Minnesota in 1924, it was discovered that Ruth was Deaf. Raised in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, Ruth and her brother, Sheldon, also Deaf, attended the Rochester Institute for the Oral (close to the Mayo Clinic) and later attended high school at the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf. Ruth was a superb athlete, excelling in numerous sporting events. Upon graduation Ruth looked for a higher educational opportunity that would allow her to accomplish her desire to become a successful coach and help others accomplish their athletic goals. Ruth attended Gallaudet College where she participated in various sporting events as a member of the Women's Athletic Association.

Upon graduation from Gallaudet College, Ruth's contributions to the world of deaf athletes were only beginning. In 1957 she became the first deaf American woman to compete for the United States in the track and field division of the World Games for the Deaf. She also completed in the mixed doubles tennis competition, earning a bronze medal for the U.S.

Ruth met Julius Seeger, a Texan, at Gallaudet University, and upon graduation in 1949, they married and located in Austin, Texas, teaching at the Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) for a combined total of 75 years. In 1960, she gave birth to their only child-Mark Seeger.

Ruth organized the first Texas School for the Deaf track team for girls in 1963. In 1973 she organized the first TSD volleyball team, after winning several championships as a player with the Austin Athletic Club located at 12th and Lamar alongside Bee Crenshaw. In 1986 she organized the first TSD softball team.

Throughout her coaching career Ruth's girls have accumulated a total of 27 Olympic medals at the World Games for the Deaf, She was the United States Women's track coach in 1965, 1969, 1973, 1977 and 1985. In 1975 she served as the women's coach at the Pan American Games for the Deaf.

In 2005 at the age of 81, Ruth earned her 300th gold medal at the Pittsburg National Senior Games and her 301st gold medal she dedicated to her husband Julius. In other National Senior Games Competitions Ruth won first place in the 75-79 age group categories of Field Shotput, Field Discus, Javelin, Long Jump and High Jump competitions and today continues to hold the World Record for Javelin in the category of 80-85. The Austin American Statesman recognized Ruth as one of "Six Outstanding Women of Austin" in 1972 and in 1988 she was inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame by then Governor Clements. Upon retirement, then Governor Mark White officially commissioned her as a Yellow Rose of Texas and in recognition of her many contributions to the Girls Athletic program at the Texas School for the Deaf, the Athletic facility was named the "Seeger Gym". She was later appointed by Governor Ann Richards to serve as a Commissioner with the Texas Commission for the Deaf.

She leaves behind a loving son, Mark Seeger and his husband, Jeff Harper of Austin. Ruth also leaves behind a very special nephew Robert (Bob) Taubert, who she cared for as a son during his teenage years prior to his enlistment in the Navy. Bob has four sons-Dominic, Adrian, Kristopher, and Jonathan-and five grandsons and one granddaughter-who continue the Taubert family legacy. Ruth's husband, Julius, preceded her in death on December 15, 2011.

The family is most grateful to the following lifelong friends and caregivers who were with Ruth as part of our family when we learned she would be challenged with Alzheimer's Disease: Marie Poss, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Kathleen Rogers, Carrie Frazier, and Jo Bienvenu. We also would like to recognize all of the loving staff at Sodalis Memory Care in San Marcos, and Heart to Heart Hospice for your wonderful care.

A memorial service has been planned for Sunday, April 27th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Martin's Lutheran Church located at 15th and Rio Grande (606 West 15th Street) in Austin, Texas with a light reception following. To honor Ruth's legacy in the field of Athletics, the family has asked that in lieu of flowers, consideration be given to memorial tax deductible contributions for the Texas School for the Deaf Foundation. Website: www.tsdfoundation.org.



Can you guess?

Who this is?

Virginia Ruebush

From Page 6

She lives in La Vista Retirement Apts
San Marcos, Texas
Since 2005

RENEWALS AND NEW MEMBERS:

Eugene Alaniz, Joe Arrington, James & Shirley Bargsley, Richard Barnes, Frank & Ada Candanosa, Richard Clark, James & Ruth Goolsby, Aberta Hennessy, Karyl Hummel, Thomas & Alice Jarma, Jeri Koche, Brenda & John Mills, Susan Pochop, Martha Pruitt, Amanda Ross, Lisa Ross, Margie Scribner, Virginia Seller, Gertrude Sessions, Freddie Simerka, Edward Silvek, Tommie Smith, Alan Stein, Elizabeth Stephenson, Marilyn Swanson, Michael Swoboda, Bonnie Tippet, Mary Whatsit, and Ben Williams.

DONATIONS TO TAD-SC:

- *Freddie Simerka was gifted to a TAD-SC new member by Nick and Maria Garza, Thank you.*
- *Dixie Parr, Sandra McCann, Pamela Parrell, Melba Beshears was gifted to a TAD-SC new members by Joe Arrington, Thank you*
- *Evelyn Kamuchey donated in memory of Ruth Seeger, Dale Hovinga, J.C. Morris, and Ron Strain, Thank you.*

LUNCH AFTER THE WORKSHOPS DST SYMPO 2014



Left to Right: Mary Ann Giuntoli, Sharon Hovinga, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Betty and Glenn Thrasher.

BASTROP ASL CHAT



Arlen Whatsit and Kay Williams wanted to share an update with ASL people about the Bastrop ASL Chat every first Saturday of the month. They get together at any restaurant. This picture was at Bassano Italian Restaurant on April 5th with 35 deafies attending. We are very proud of the Chat get-togethers and enjoyed that day. The next date will be May 3rd at the Murphy Restaurant in Winchester, Texas. Anyone may come and join us for the chats. *(Submitted by Arlen Whatsit and Kay Williams)*

RECIPE *Relish Corn Salad* *By Beth Hill*



2 or 3 cans Shoe Peg Corn
2 scoops Mayo
½ bunch chopped green onion
1 diced tomatoes
½ chopped bell peppers
Salt & Pepper

NEXT TAD-SC MEETING

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Wednesday, June 4th, 2014
At 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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

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See you there!

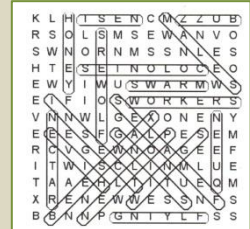
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The words may be hidden in any direction.

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Membership/Subscription Application Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens

P.O. Box 41134

New Subscribers: \$10.00

Austin, Texas 78704

Renewal Subscribers: \$10.00

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zipcode: _____

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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 _____



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