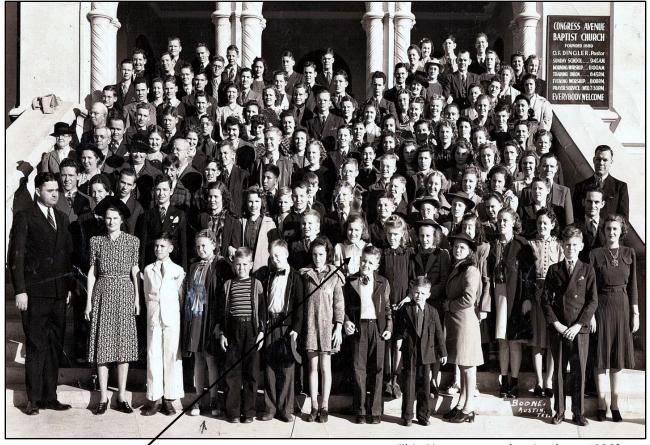


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South Congress Avenue Baptist Church for the Deaf



This Picture was taken in about 1938's

<u>Juanita (Easley) Basham TSD'51</u> donated this picture to TSD Heritage Center. Juanita remembered that TSD Students walked to the South Congress Baptist Church on 1511 South Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas on every Sunday morning and walk back Texas School for the Deaf campus before lunch.

Have fun to find your picture in your group!



NEWS & NOTES

It's Finally Coming!!!

The TSD 150th Committee is working very hard to ensure that your *TSD History Book* will be ready for distribution at the TSD Homecoming in October. I sincerely apologize that it has taken a long time, but will be well worth the wait. It has also increased from 450 to about 500 pages. Thank you so much for your patience. (Sharon Hovinga)

Dale is on the Mend!!

Dale Hovinga would like to thank everyone who remembered him in their prayer circles, sent cards, and visited him while he was hospitalized for three months. It made a world of difference in his recovery to know so many people care about him. He still has a colostomy bag, dialysis, home health care, and physical therapy to help him get stronger and is taking it day by day. –(Sharon Hovinga)

SENIOR CITIZEN DAY SAFEPLACE DEAF SERVICES OPEN HOUSE

On March 4th, 2008, Tuesday, from 10am-12pm seven of Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens (Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Brunson, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Brookes, Beth Strain, Brenda Mills, and Connie Griffin) visited Vonnie Basham & Jennifer Brown's The open house was at Open House. Safeplace, located at 1515 A Grove Blvd. Vonnie took us on a tour of the building. We learned so much about their office system, it was very interesting. The tour lasted one hour. After that, we had small refreshments while Vonnie explained to us how to access services for ourselves and our deaf friends, learn more about parenting classes and support groups for the deaf community, and how we can work together. We want to thank Vonnie Basham and Jennifer Brown and their staff for taking their time to show everything to us.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2008 LA VISTA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY CENTER IN SAN MARCOS



Right; President Earl Day, Vice President John Hesser, Barbie Vicencio, Secretary, Vivian Hesser, Treasurer, Tom Withrow, Trustee, Carol Crayhan, Sqt At Arms.

La Vista Retirement Community Residents were at first time meeting on February 14, 2008. They voted new name "La Vista Deaf Senior of San Marcos".

Gordon Hegwood had three Bypass at the Hospital in Tyler, Texas, March 12, 2008. He got home with his wife Ruenell on March 20. (Lola Justiss)

DEAFNATION EXPO AUSTIN

Saturday, March 1, 2008

The DeafNation Expo in Austin, Texas experienced a Texan cattle stampede by the *4,300-plus attendees* who rushed through the front doors to immerse themselves with the exciting DeafNation Expo media experience and to visit the wide assortment of video relay companies, handheld companies, and countless Deaf-run

businesses. The Southwestern Deaf community checked out the DeafNation Expo, with people visiting 82 booths making rounds to each booth duly impressed at the array of new products available by the event sponsors and other exhibitors, with their curiostiy satisheid, and coming away stocked with new items.

HAPPY 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Smith



Congratutions to Jerry and Laverne Smith were honored for their 40th wedding anniversary party given by their children and friends on Saturday, March 22 at La Vista Community Center in San Marcos.

Jerry and Laverne were married on March 23, 1968 in St. Louis, Mo. They have four children and three grandchildren. Jerry worked as a printer in St. Louis for many years until he retired. They moved to Lubbock, Texas for several years before moving to La Vista Retirement Community about two years ago.

SON OF DEAF SCHOOL CHIEF DIES OF WAR INJURIES

Army Cpl. Kevin Mowl died February 25 at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., nearly seven months after being injured in Baghdad. Cpl. Mowl visited with students and discussed being a soldier during his last trip home a year ago. Harold, his wife Mary graduated from TSD. (Joe Arrington, TSD'60, his sister Mary), and their daughter Carlene, recently hosted a production crew from ABC's Good Morning America who were doing a story on the fifth anniversary of the Iraq. (It was air Saturday, March 15.)

DEAF BOXER WINS SPOT IN 2008 BEIJING OLYMPICS

A 21-year-old Hungarian boxer, born deaf into a mostly deaf poor gypsy family, will compete in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Norbert Kalucza, one of seven children, did not learn to speak until he was 10 years old, said the Taipei Times, but voiced his first words shortly after entering the boxing ring for the first time. Neighbor Janos Varadi, a former Olympic bronze medalist. discovered the boy's talent and helped him obtain medical certificates needed to compete as a boxer. Kalucza went on to win national titles in 2005, 2006 and 2007 and then bested Germany's Marcel Schneider to win a spot in this year's Olympics. Parents Marie and Joseph, the report concluded, "are convinced that their son is someone who can make his mark on the world." (Deafweekly-March 19, 2008)

Evelyn's Inspiration

We need good thoughts....Laughs, Actions, & Courages.

Some people get good feelings from sermons.

Some from nature. Let us have some fun! Laugh!

As for this month – <u>April</u>....Ahem....<u>April</u> <u>15th</u> oh – oh- <u>Income Taxes!!</u> Get big Refund??

If you're given a choice between Money and Sex Appeal....Take the Money!

As you get older, the Money will become your Sex Appreal!!

Which is the better baseball team, <u>The Red Sox</u> or <u>the Nylons?</u> You may like the Red Sox, but the Nylons get more runs. (Evelyn Kamuchey)

TRIVIA

Where is the world's largest catscup bottle?

The World's Largest Catsup Bottle stands proudly next to Route 159, just south of downtown Collinsville, Illinois. This unique, 170-foot tall water tower was built in 1949 by W.E. Caldwell Campany for the G.S. Suppiger catsup bottling plant in 1995, due largely to the efforts of the Catscup Bottle Preservation Group, this piece of local history was saved from demolition and beautiful restored to its original appearance.

Who fired the first shot in the Civil War?

The first Union shot of the Civil War was fired by General Abner Doubleday in 1861 at Fort Sumter.

FIELD TRIP TO JOHNSON CITY

April 24, 2008, Thursday

Pick up at South Austin Activity Center, 3911 Manchaca Rd. at 8:00 a.m. and pick other group at La Vista in San Marcos to Johnson City to visit LBJ Ranch \$ 10.00 per person. Sign up at the meeting on April 3. *Chairperson announce at the meeting for more information.*

RESEARCHER UNEARTH 1888 PHOTO OF HELEN KELLER



The 1888 photo released by the New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston shows Helen Keller when she was eight years old, left, holding hands with her teacher, Anne Sullivan, during a summer vacation to Brewster. Mass., on Cape Cod. A staff member at the society discovered the photograph in a large photography collection recently donated to the society. When Sullivan arrived at the Keller household to teach Helen, she gave her a doll as a present. Although Keller had many dolls throughout her childhood, this is believed to be the first known photograph of Helen Keller with one of her dolls.

(Photo/Courtest of the Thaxter P. Spencer Collection, New England Historic Genealogical Society-Boston)

Obituaries

JACQUELYN (JAMES) BROWN, age 71, passed away on March 6, 2008 in Portland, Oregon. She was cremated. She was born on May 18, 1936 in Big Spring, Texas. She was a student at TSD for numerous years during 1940's. She is survived by children, grandchildren and a sister, Ava Lael Hyre.

PAULA BECKMANN WEIGAND, age 82, passed away on Saturday, February 23, 2008 in Austin, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley W. Weigand and daughter, Donna Joyce Jordan. She is survived by her daughter, Judith Ann (Weigand) Jacobs and husband, J.T. of Austin, Texas; grandsons: John Jordan and Bill Jacobs; sisters: Helen Platt and husband, Harry; Joyce Hales; Julie Marshall and husband Bob; numerous nieces nephews. Service are Tuesday. February 26, 2008, at 12:00 p.m. at Porter Loring Chapel, 1101 McCullough, San Antonio, Texas. Interment in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

ANTONIO SEDILLO, JR., a resident La Vista Retirement Community in San Marcos, went peacefully to his eternal rest escorted by the Angels to be with Our Father in Heaven on March 9, 2008 at the age of 85. Born December 19, 1922 in Albuquerque, N.M., a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother, he is preceded in death by his brother Raymond Sedillo.

Antonio worked for the federal givernment at the White Sands Missile Range as a maintenance technician for 20 years, from 1966-1986.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Mary V. Sedillo of San Marcos; three daughters; one brother; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

GLENDA GAIL REDUS, age 64, passed away March 12, 2008 in Kilgore, Texas. She was born November 10, 1943. She is survived her mother, brother, sister in law, four Aunts and few cousins and nephew. She has no children. She was former TSD and before resident was in Corpus Christi, TX then She moved to Longview, TX. Buried at Rosewood Park in Longview, TX.



MARY VIRGINIA (DRYER) PIERCE, TSD'1940, age 88, passed away February 15, 2008 in Glendale, California. She was born March 5, 1920

in Dallas, TX. She married Ray Pierce on June 20, 1945 in Los Angeles, California. She is survived her 3 children; 6 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

JACK D. MCNEELY, TSD'61, age 65, passed away Sunday, March 23, 2008 at his home in Mason City, Iowa. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at the Hogan-Bremer-Moore Chapel, 126 Third St., N.E. in Mason City.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



- 4 Dale Hovinga
- 7 Dewana Collins
- 11 Alan Stein
- 14 David Jarshow
- 14 Helen Sewell
- 22 Sandra Barnes-Smith
- 23 Etta Cabbage
- 24 Beverly Duncan
- 25 Pearl Wallace
- 27 Martha Harvard

RECIPE

By Virginia Ruebush

No Fool Pie

3/4 stick butter
1 cup self rising flour
3/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup milk
1- 1/2 cup any fruit kind (cans)

Melt butter on 8 or 9 inch on baking dish. Bake in oven 350f. While are preheat 350f. Mix flour, sugar, & milk. Pour over dish. Don't mixed. Put fruit on top bake in oven for 30 minutes.

WHO ARE THEY? 1946



Left first sitting row; Virginia (Hammond) Holdridge, Gail (Bellinoski) Lero, Betty Jo (Jackson) Quinn, Left standing; Robert Jones, Edward Holloway, Patsy Avant, Annie (McWhorter) Veazey, Evelyn (Schulze) Norman, Sue Wright, and Annabelle Robinson

EDITOR'S NOTE

Please send any news, announcement, note, or favorite recipes Deadline April 24, 2008 to the Editor, Glenn Brunson, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749 or email to gbrunson@austin.rr.com

RENEWAL MEMBERS: Bonnie Gough, Dorothy Johnson, Gertrude Sessions, Kenneth & Dinah Burkett, Jimmy & Eileen Brookes, Delia Harris, Tom & Elaine Withrow, John & Brenda Mills, Audrey Brooker, Nathan & Pearl Wallace, and Sandra Griffin.

NEW MEMBERS: Gus Curbello, Tommy Wells, Vera Christal Akers gifted by Virginia Duncan, Wayne Phillips, Weldon Seely, Barbara Warren, Eugene Alaniz, Doris Mohlenhoff, Juan R. Rodriguez, Lennie Wanda Morton, James Moore, Ima Jean Martin, Isidro Gutierrez, Malcalm Pace, Brenda Wheeler, Earl Utzman, and Gordon Hegwood gifted by Lola Justiss.

NEXT MEETING

South Austin Senior Activity Center 3911 Manchaca Road

April 3, 2008, Thursday At 1:00 p.m.

Someone from SorensonVRS will be speaking to us about how to use Videophone and use wait and 911

Regular Meeting

Be seeing you there!

The 3rd annual Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens Picnic



MARY MOORE SEARIGHT METROPOLITAN PARK 907 SLAUGHTER LANE



AUSTIN, TEXAS

Thursday, May 8, 2007 At 11:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.



Fried Chicken and Brisket Beef will be served.

Last Names starting with A to M to bring a side dish

Last Names starting with N to Z to bring Desserts

Bring your own drinks

Bring your own lawn chairs

\$3.00 per person if you don't bring a side dish or Desserts



DOOR PRIZES

Sign up at Senior Citizens Meeting on May 1 or with Vivian Hesser, Beth Strain or Brenda Mills or Glenn Brunson, email gbrunson@austin.rr.com or VP 512-892-7535.

COME ONE COME ALL

AUSTIN & TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD

PASSENGERS BERTRAM BRAKEMAN RAILS BURNET SMOKE CABOOSE SPUR CAR **STEAM CEDAR PARK SUMMIT COACHES** THE FLYER COAL TIES **CONDUCTOR TOURISTS ENGINEER TRESTLE FIREMAN** WATER **GRANITE** WHISTLE **HILL COUNTRY** WYE LEANDER YARD LIBERTY HILL LIMESTONE **MARBLE MIKADO** OIL

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SENIOR CITIZENS

(Above 55 years old)

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(TAD-SC) to Glenn Brunson, Treasurer, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749. Thank you for your support.