

## Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens Newsletter

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## National Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg, Texas



Left to Right; front row: Ira Rothenberg, Glenn Brunson, Lola Justiss, Carl Brininstool, Mark Gunderson, Sally Porter, Peter Wright, Mary Giuntoli, Barbara Brunson, Richard Giuntoli, Second row: Brenda Oates, Sheri Crawford, Joanne Brininstool, Joanne Easley, Lynn White, Janet Morris, Charm Montalvo, Marian Seale, Maria Garza, Nicholas Garza, Joan Montfort, Beverly Duncan, Robert Montfort, Edith Hebert, Third row: Fred Newman, Brenda Mills, Beth Strain, James Ed White, Robert Easley, Juanita Basham, James Maxwell, Sandra Turner, and Caroline Cook.

On Thursday, October 20, 2011, thirty-six (36) senior citizens from Austin and San Marcos went by chartered bus to Fredericksburg, Texas to visit the National Museum of the Pacific War. When we arrived in Fredericksburg, we ate lunch downtown and shopped a short time before going to the National Museum of the Pacific War for almost two hours. We stopped at Wild Seed Farm in near Stonewall, Texas, for one hour before going back home. We enjoyed ourselves.

(Submitted by Glenn Brunson)

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## SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING at 1:00 p.m.

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

October 20, 2011 Field Trip to Nimitz Museum Fredericksburg, Texas

November 3, 2011
The Election of the officers
2012-2014

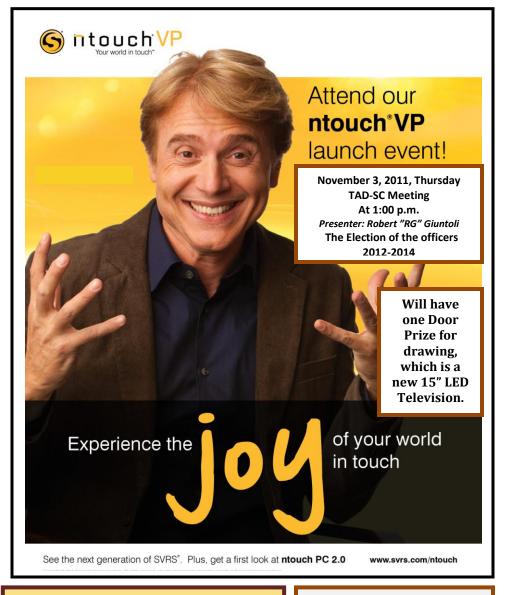
November 17, 2011 Field Trip to Bob Bullock Texas Museum in Austin

December 1, 2011



**Christmas Party** 

January 5, 2012 HAPPY NEW YEAR!



**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS** 



Wayne Phillips
Bonnie Ramsey
Barbie Vicencio
Carol Hugley
Thelma Stack
Vivian Hesser
Larry Evans
Gertrude Session



Larry Evans
Gertrude Sessions
Tom Rose
Walt Camenish
Jerry Smith
Victor Arellano
Joan Pate
Richard Odom
Bonnie Gough
Wayne Lee Carter
Doug Strain

NEW ELECTION COMING
UP AT THE
NOVEMBER MEETING



Please think about new officers for **2012** through **2014!** The election of the officers shall be held every 2 years. That means we will have an election at the **November 3, 2011** meeting!

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer

## AWARD CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF GLENN BRUNSON



Glenn Brunson (right) accepting the award (11"tall) from Gertrude Galloway (left), Deaf Senior America (DSA)

On Thursday, October 6, 2011, seventy-nine (79) members and visitors attended the Travis Association of Deaf Senior Citizens meeting to watch a featured magic show by a deaf Russian performer.

Afterward, Gertrude Galloway announced that she had brought the national DSA award for volunteer service for Glenn Brunson.

#### The Award says,

"Deaf Seniors of America Ralph White Extra Mile Award presented to Glenn C. Brunson, who performed above and beyond the call of duty while performing services to Deaf Seniors 2011."

Refreshments were served so that everyone could help Glenn celebrate his award.

Congratulations to Glenn from the TAD-SC! He has given many years of service to our group!



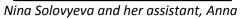






Nina Solovyeva and Earl Day











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## The TSD Class of 1966 celebrated their 45th Anniversary in 2011



Left to Right: Front row; Larry Proffitt, Patricia (Adkins) Ginnis, Kathie Briscoe, Dianne (Robinson) Cockerham, and Glenda (Murphree) McNabb (ex Class '66). Back row; Wayne Lee Carter, Marolyn (Jenkins) Carter, Moncia (Ulkie) Jarosh, Nicholas Garza, Pamela Parnell, Walter Holder, Billy McNabb, (ex Class '66), and Melvin Rueffer.

The TSD Class of 1966 held their 45<sup>th</sup> reunion during the TSD Homecoming on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Eight members were absent: James Cody, Jose Delgado, Terry Harrison, Jerald Moore, David Naumann, Robert Smith, Sylvia Smith, and Rosalind Stuckey. Nine members of the Class of 1966 and their spouses celebrated at El Gallo Restaurant and all had a wonderful time.

Submitted by Nichalos Garza

### **SAN MARCOS NEWS**

La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos will have their regular meeting next November 10, 2011, Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at La Vista Retirement Community Center.

\*\*Mark your calendar!\*\*

Genevieve Cummings became a great grandmother of twin baby girls on September 12, 2011. Both weigh 5 lbs 6 oz. The mother and both babies are doing fine. Genevieve hopes to go to Illinois to see them around the Thanksgiving Holidays.

## 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday



Dorisgean Williams celebrated her 85th birthday party Matt's El Rancho Mexican Restaurant with her friends on September 2, Friday. She enjoys living in La Vista Retirement Apartments in San Marcos. Happy Birthday, Dorisgean!

# In Memoriam

#### Eula Ann Ashton Adams 1935 - 2011



Eula Ann Ashton Adams, age 76, of Mesquite, Texas, was born August 16, 1935, in Eustace, Texas, to the late Elick Zender and Minnie Erra Wallace Ashton, and passed away on October 5, 2011, in Mesquite, Texas. Eula was married to Charles Edwin Adams on October 12, 1956 in

Dallas, Texas, and he preceded her in death in 2005. She was Baptist in faith. She was educated at Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas. Survivors include her daughter, Tena Ann Ferris of Dallas; sons, Joe Charles Adams and his wife, Laurie, of Forney, and Samuel Kevin Adams and Stefanie Yancey of Mesquite; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, the entire loving Ashton family which includes 5 surviving sisters, Mary Lee Meeks Simmons, Alene Bradley, Lorners Domenici, Brenda Wheelers and Vivian Hessers; a very special friend, Charles Lee Hatchel; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and other friends and relatives. Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 8, 2011, with graveside services following in the Mexia City Cemetery in Mexia, Texas under the direction of Ruselawn Funeral Home and Memorial Gardens of Seagoville, Texas.

#### James Ronald Strain 1938 – 2011



James Strain Ronald beloved "Ronnie". husband, father, fatherin-law, brother, brotherin-law, uncle, grandfather and friend passed away on October 7, 2011 at The Christopher House. Ronnie was born on May 30, 1938 in Hamlin, Texas James Arwin and Melvin Strain. Ronnie

worked in the grocery business in Austin, working at

Minimax on Manor Road and South Lamar and he retired from H.E.B. Ronnie had a wonderful sense of humor and a smile on his face at all times. He loved life and everyone that crossed his path. He was so loved and will be greatly missed by those whose lives he touched during his lifetime. He loved to bowl, fish and play golf, he also loved to watch any sports and lived for the Texas Longhorn football season. Ronnie is survived by his loving wife, Elizabeth Ann, brother Don Strain of Schertz, brother Doug Strain of Bastrop and brother Jerry Strain of Lorena, daughter Jerri Strain Scheibelhut of Buda, son Jami Strain of Austin, daughter Mindi Johnson of Kyle, daughter Rona Lightfoot of Houston and nine grandchildren, several step-grandchildren, two great- grandchildren and many other family members and friends who loved him. A memorial service celebrating Ronnie's life was held at 1:00 p.m. on October 15, 2011 at the Austin Association for the Deaf at 8818 Cullen Lane in Austin, Texas 78738.

#### Albert Frank Mokry 1935 – 2011



Albert Frank Mokry, age 76, passed away October 21, 2011 in Austin, Texas. Albert was the 6<sup>th</sup> of 10 children born to Joseph and Hermina Mokry in Granger, Texas. He attended the Texas School for the Deaf, and was a hard working employee for the Deaf School for 26

years, retiring in 1993. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Hermina Mokry, and three brothers. He is survived by four sisters; Edith Crawford, Helen Mokry, Mildred Trank, and Loretta Ciora; two brothers, Roman Mokry and Clarence Mokry, and also many inlaws and nieces and nephews. The funeral Mass was conducted at 10 a.m. in the morning, Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> of October at St. Louis Catholic Church. He was buried at Assumption Cemetery in Austin, Texas.

#### "What you permit, you promote."

The per person Medicare insurance premium will increase from the present monthly fee of \$96.40, rising to: \$104.20 in 2012; \$120.20 in 2013; And \$247.00 in 2014. These are provisions incorporated in the Obamacare legislation, purposely delayed so as not to "confuse" the 2012 re-election campaigns. Send this to all seniors that you know, so they will know who's throwing them under the bus.

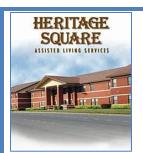
REMEMBER THIS IN NOVEMBER 2012 & VOTE ACCORDINGLY

#### TSD Campus Army in 1948



**Left to right:** front row; Walter Marek, and Alizandro Bustaute. Behind row: Robert Gearhart, Gilbert Easello, Lewis Genaro, and Charles Melugin.

(Charles Melugin donated this photo to TSDAA Archival. He is now 80 years old and lives in Greenville, Texas) Thank you.





## YOU ARE INVITED OPEN HOUSE

DEAF, Inc. at Heritage Square Assisted Living in Fort Worth

Celebrate with DEAF, Inc. and WGH Heritage, Inc. at the Grand Opening of our New Home for Deaf and Deaf/Blind Senior Citizens

DATE: Wednesday, November 2, 2011.

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

**LOCATION**: DEAF, Inc. at Heritage Square Assisted Living, 500 South Beach Street, Ft. Worth, Texas 76105.

Opening ceremony lasting about 30 minutes
Refreshments

Scheduled tours after the opening ceremony

#### RECIPES

German Fruit Cake
By Melvin Rueffer's Mother

34 cup butter

2 cup sugar

4 eggs

3 cup flour

½ teaspoon allspice

½ teaspoon cinnamon

½ teaspoon nutmeg

1 cup pecans

1 teaspoon vanilla

¾ teaspoon soda

1 cup buttermilk

2/3 cup cherry preserves

2/3 cup apricot preserves

2/3 cup pineapple preserves

Cream butter, sugar & eggs until light. Sift dry ingredients together, Add to creamed mixture alternately with buttermilk to which soda has been added. Fold in remaining ingredients. Bake in two 9x5x3 greased & floured loaf pans or one large tube cake pan at 325 degrees for one and half hour. Cool in pan 15 minutes before removing.

#### **RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERS/SUBSCRIBERS**

Carole Allen, Richard Barnes, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Janet Campero, Genevieve Cummings, Laverne Fair, Callie Frazier, Richard & Mary Guintoli, Carol Hughey, Nicholas Martz, Billy & Glenda McNabb, Eugene McNabb, Charlene Mullenix, Nimm H. Shelton, Sandra Turner, Arnold Urban, Sr., Paul Theriot, Mary Tippett, and Edith J. Wood.

#### **NEW GIFT SUBSCRIBERS:**

Patsy Walker (gift by Vera Akers)

#### **DONATIONS TO TAD-SC:**

John & Brenda Mills donated to TAD-SC in memory of Ron Strain. Thank you.

Glenn & Barbara Brunson donated to TAD-SC in memory of Ron Strain. Thank you.

#### **Bullock Texas State History Museum**

November 17, 2011, Thursday

**TSD Sport Display** 

Come and Meet us there at 10:30 a.m.

will give you ticket for admission

Admission: Free (20 or more people)

Transportation can be done via City Bus or drive and park inside the underground garage in museum.

**RSVP** to James Ed White VP 512.410.0540 By November 10, 2011

#### **Thanksgiving**

Find and circle all of the words related to Thanksgiving that are hidden in the grid.

The words may be hidden in any direction.

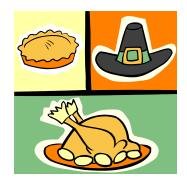
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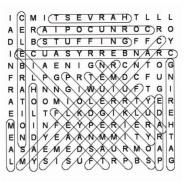
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