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## *TSD Boy Scouts - 1952*



### **22 TENDERFOOTS RECEIVE BADGES.**

*Left to Right: Front row; Junie Stilwell, Bill Shepard, Newton Weatherly, Jerry Smith. Second row; Conway Wooten, Robert Whitworth, Roger Spivey, Gary Coleman, Ronnie White. Third row; Rey Cavazos, T.D. Richburg, Richard Urban, Edwin Nirider. Fourth row; Alfred Wagner, Joe Arrington, Marshall Parrish, Calvin Adams, Marion Wright. Fifth row; Glenn Brunson, Calvin Hill, Bobby Stephenson, Johnny Martz. Sixth row; Alfred Wagner, John Vahalik, Genero Mosquez, Donnie Tomlin. Back row; Ralph White, No name, and John Olson.*

A Tenderfoot investiture ceremony was held by Troup 42 in the T.S.D. auditorium Wednesday afternoon, January 17, 1952, at which time local Scouts were awarded Tenderfoot badges by South Austin's Deputy Commissioner Weber.

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Brenda Mills,

Entertainment Committee

## SENIOR CITIZENS

**MEETING at 1:00 p.m.**

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

***We've Moved to a Large  
Room!!***

***March 1, 2012***

***Nida Din from Safeplace will  
present at the meeting***

***April 5, 2012***

***Joel Barish from DeafNews will  
give a presentation at the  
meeting.***

***April 17***

***Field Trip to Sea World  
in San Antonio, Texas***

***May 3, 2012***

***Sixth Annual TAD-SC Picnic  
No meeting.***

***June 7, 2012***

***June 12, 2012***

***July 5, 2012***



# Deaf Seniors of Texas

PRESS RELEASE

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 13, 2012

**Deaf Seniors of Texas (DST)** is official as of January 11, 2012 as a non-profit information resources agency serving all deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens in the State of Texas without regard to race, religion, sex, disability or nationality.

The purpose of the DST is to provide central, cooperative and coordinated assistance and services and to assist them with independent living and promote the overall well-being of all deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens:

1. To promote awareness of special needs for deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens in the State of Texas.
2. To encourage/coordinate with the establishment of local deaf/hard-of-hearing senior-citizen organizations.
3. To promote the overall well-being of deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens through local organizations:
  - a. To keep them from being isolated or homebound.
  - b. To assist them with the independent living.
  - c. To promote leisure activities for challenging mental alertness.
  - d. To give them opportunities for social interaction and enjoyment.
4. To sponsor/host symposium whenever possible dealing with issues impacting their well-being and safety.
5. To acquaint those deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens with national, state, and local resources that will contribute to their positive image and fuller participation in the mainstream society.
6. To advocate the rights of deaf/hard-of-hearing senior citizens.

The initial DST directors are Don Hahn of Houston, Mack Harris of Arlington and Earl Day of Buda. The board size will grow to nine when the drafted bylaws are adopted.

There will be no members and only the board will run and make all decisions.

There will be no newsletter but periodic press release will be issued.

There will be a website called [www.deafseniorsoftexas.org](http://www.deafseniorsoftexas.org).



## Next TAD-SC Meeting

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



**March 1, 2012, Thursday  
At 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.**

*Speaker will be Nida Din  
from Safeplace.*

## Regular Meeting



***See you there!***

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

5	Betty Bounds
8	Beth Strains
9	Sallie Curtis
20	P.H. Goldberg
22	Morris Porter
24	Juanita Stroyick
29	Sharon Carter
30	Bobbie Cheatham
31	Marolyn Carter
31	Frank Clark



## Turn clocks ahead One hour March 11, 2012



Daylight Saving Time (DST) is a system in which clocks are set one to two hours ahead of standard time for a specified period.

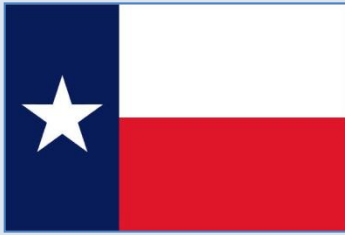
## Deaf Sports Trivia

**Q. Who was the last deaf professional baseball player to have graduated from a state school for the deaf?**

**A.** Yesterday's DeafDigest Sports dedicated the edition to Ron Sipek, who departed us. It mentioned that Ron's son Brian is the girls' basketball coach at Texas School for the Deaf. Well, Brian's grandfather, and Ron's father was Dick Sipek. He graduated from Illinois School for the Deaf and had a good career in the minor leagues-a steady.300 hitter. And he played a season in the majors with the Cincinnati Reds (.244 in 82 games in 1945.)



## NEWS AND NOTES



*My Texas 'tis of thee,  
Sweet land of Liberty,  
Of thee I sing.*

*Land where my fathers died,  
Land of the Texan's pride,  
From all our prairies wide  
Let Freedom ring.*

*(Copied from The Lone Star – April 18, 1925)*

*Happy 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*



Angel and Joe Lee Smith (TSD'1960) celebrated their 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary at their home in Middle River, Maryland. *Congratulations!*

Introduction of the NEW DARS, Office for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Director, *Lori Breslow!*

**TSD Homecoming Game at 5:00 p.m. will be on September 22, 2012 next fall. Play against California School for the Deaf Riverside.**



**Valentine Party-February 2, 2012**



Left to Right: Brenda Mills, Brenda Oates, and Beth Strain



**Door Prizes Winners**

Left to right: Betty Bounds, Virginia Strain, Jack Giacona, Nick Garza, and Ruth Goolsby



Best Red Valentine costumes are Eileen Hurne and Sandra Griffin





TAD-SC ladies show good Valentine's Day spirit with red outfits.

Left to right: Virginia Strain, Patsy Compton, Connie Griffins, Betty Bounds, Joan Montfort, Vera Butler, May Wille, Eileen Hurne, Vivian Hesser, Sandra Turner, Marian Seale, Sandra Griffins, Maria Garza, Teresa Eckstein, Janet Morris, and Mary Lynn White.

### THE 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TRAVIS ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF-SENIOR CITIZENS PICNIC

At Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park  
907 Slaughter Lane

**Thursday, May 3, 2012**  
**At 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**To beannounced in the April newsletter**

*Vivian Hesser, Eileen Hurne, & Mary Giuntoli Chairpersons*

### Mardi Gras Pot Luck Party



About 50 residents of La Vista had a Mardi Gras potluck dinner at their community center in San Marcos on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Afterward they played games and had a social. They awarded both James Maxwell and Marian Seale for best costumes. Everyone enjoyed themselves. Just can't believe that they always win.



### SAN MARCOS NEWS



Can you guess who Eva (Lozano) Anguelo's best friend standing next to her? She lives in Dallas and was a TSD student. Check who she is see Next month's April Newsletter.



**LVDSSM & TAD-SC FIELD TRIP**  
**San Antonio, Texas**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012**  
**Cost: \$10.00 each members**  
**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**  
**WILL ANNOUNCE ON NEXT MEETING**  
**Need more than 30 passengers**  
**Deadline: April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**Payable to Barbie Vicencio**  
**Sign up if you want to go.**

La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos will have their regular meeting on March 8th, 2012, Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at La Vista Retirement Community Center. Nida Din from Safeplace will present "Elderly Abuse".

***Mark your calendar!***



## *In Memoriam*

### **Mildred Louise LeBlanc**

**October 29, 1923 – January 30, 2012**



*Mildred Louise LeBlanc*, 88, of Conroe, TX, formerly of Nederland, passed away on Monday, January 30, 2012 in The Woodlands. She was born to William and Ossie Risner on October 29, 1923 in Sulphur Springs, TX. Mildred was a graduate from the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin and a lifelong resident of Nederland until moving to Conroe 8 years ago. She was

an active member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church and the Altar Society. She enjoyed doing arts and crafts, sewing and was an excellent gardener; however, her greatest joy was being a wonderful, loving mother and grandmother. Mildred is preceded in death by her parents; her late husband, Maurice LeBlanc; a granddaughter, Janell Pinner and 3 sisters. She is survived by a son, Maurice LeBlanc, Jr. of Houston; a

daughter, Becky Robinson and husband Harold of Conroe and a granddaughter, Brandi DeLao and husband Joseph and daughter Kristen. A gathering of her family and friends was held on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Grammier-Oberle Funeral Home, Port Arthur. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 1:00 p.m., at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Port Neches with burial in Oak Bluff Memorial Gardens, Port Neches.



### **Donald Horace Bradford**

**January 10, 1927 – January 22, 2012**



*Donald Horace Bradford*, 85, of Kyle, Texas passed away on Sunday, January 22nd in Kyle, TX. He was born in Graham, Texas on January 10, 1927 to Horace and Mattie (White) Bradford. Mr. Bradford is survived by his loving wife of 27 years, Linda; from his first marriage to Rosalind Sommers, daughter, Donna Sibray and her husband, Steven of Scottsbluff, NE; son, Philip Bradford and his wife, Mindy of Albuquerque, NM; grandson, Jonathan Sibray and his wife, Kim of Edgewood, NM; grandson, David Bradford of Albuquerque, NM; granddaughter, Tamara Sibray of Laramie, WY; and great-grandson, Nathan Sibray of Edgewood, NM.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Cara Hamscher. Don grew up in El Paso and at age 10, he lost both his hearing and sight from spinal meningitis. Luckily, his sight returned within a few months. His father encouraged him to be independent and took him on many excursions including participating in parades and campouts with the Sheriff's posse group of which his father was a member. With one of his uncles being a pilot, Don took an interest in flying and became one of the first deaf licensed pilots at age 18 logging over 10,000 hours over his lifetime.



Don's love of sports drew him to the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin where he was a member of the National Deaf Prep Champion football team and became a cadet officer in the school's Cadet Corps working up to the rank of captain. After graduation in 1944, he went on to graduate from Gallaudet University in 1949 with a B.S. degree. Don delighted fellow students with airplane rides over the Gallaudet campus. Upon completing some graduate courses, Don accepted a position to teach and coach at the New Mexico School for the Deaf in Santa Fe. In two years, Don's mathematical skills led him to a career change from teaching to an opening working with computers at Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, New Mexico. As a data analyst, he participated in the 'Maniac' project which developed one of the world's first 'electric brains'. He also co-authored the MADCAP language used in programming for the 'Maniac' project and went overseas for bombing tests.

He retired after 36 years of service. In his leisure time, Don's first love was flying. He became a check pilot for the New Mexico Wing of the Civil Air Patrol. He also loved sharing outdoor activities with his wife, Linda and family such as golfing, boating, fishing, camping, and skiing. Oftentimes, one would find Don and his wife out camping every other weekend with friends, hearing and deaf alike. There was a special place in his heart for all kids and dogs and he had a smile and a hug for everyone. Don was a tireless advocate for the deaf both in the workplace and community. He served on various committees and received numerous awards one of which was the Amos Kendall award from Gallaudet which honors a deaf person for notable excellence in a professional field not related to deafness. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Don's name to the Texas School for the Deaf Foundation ([tsdfoundation.org](http://tsdfoundation.org)). Service held on Friday, February 10, 2012 at 3p.m. Thomason Funeral Home, 2001 Ranch Road 12, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

### **Alice Rhea Wright**

*May 16, 1942 – February 15, 2012*



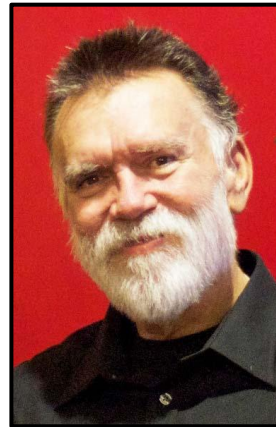
*Alice Rhea Wright*, age 70 of Dilley, passed away Wednesday, February 15, 2012 in Millett, Texas. She graduated from Texas School for the Deaf in 1962. She is preceded in death by her parents, Harvey Rhea and Cleo Coral (Stewart) Wright. She is survived by her cousins, James Robert Webb of Kerrville, Mary Lou Gilleland of Haskell, Lawrence Robert Stewart

of Ft. Worth and Larry Cliniton Stewart of Dilley. Visitation was held Sunday, February 19, 2012 at the Hurley Funeral Home in Pearsall from 2pm to 9pm. Funeral service was held at 10am Monday, February 20, 2012 at the Chapel at Cornerstone, 18755 Stone Oak Parkway, San Antonio, TX 78258 with interment to follow in the Dilley Cemetery. Memorials made to the Sunshine Cottage or a charity of one's choice. Arrangements were under the direction of Hurley Funeral Home, 608 East Trinity, Pearsall, Texas 78061.

### **Chuck Baird**

*February 22, 1947 – February 10, 2012*

Chuck Baird, who was born on February 22, 1947, attended Kansas School for the Deaf, Gallaudet College (now Gallaudet University), and Rochester Institute of Technology. Upon completing his education, Chuck spent five summers at National Theatre of the Deaf (NTD) as set carpenter and painter. He also did various jobs developing his art in Upstate New York and Delaware. He then moved to Austin, Texas,



to become a member of Spectrum which was nicknamed a "deaf art colony" from the late 70s to the early 80s. In 1980, Chuck became an actor and set designer for NTD for 10 years. Had the lead role in three plays: "Heart of a Lonely Hunter," "King of Hearts," and "One More Spring." After his tenure at NTD, he lived in California and Arizona performing at local theaters. He then worked for DawnSignPress, a San Diego-based publishing company, as an in-house artist creating a number of Deaf-related works which culminated in a coffee-table book containing 35 plates of his work. He then went back to Kansas City and Tucson running his own painting studios. During this time, he traveled to paint murals or lead art workshops for deaf children at schools, summer camps, and art festivals. His work led to the creation of a new art genre called Deaf View Image Art (DeA'VIA) with numerous art exhibits all over the world. Gallaudet appointed Chuck to help coordinate the visual arts exhibitions for Deaf Way II in 2002. He also taught art there for one semester. Chuck then relocated to Austin, Texas where he continued his work until his passing on February 10, 2012. Monetary donations can be made to the Chuck Baird Fund c/o Dr. Steve Baldwin at 501 Havana Street, Austin, TX 78704.

## RECIPE

### *Italian Style Meat Loaf*

*By Beth Strain*

- 1 egg
  - 1 ½ pound lean ground beef or turkey
  - 8 ounces hot or mild Italian sausage, casings removed
  - 1 cup CONTADINA Seasoned Tomato Sauce, divided
  - 1 cup finely chopped onion
  - ½ cup finely, chopped green bell pepper
1. Beat egg lightly in large bowl, Add beef, sausage, Bread crumbs, ¼ cup tomato sauce, onion and bell pepper; mix well.
  2. Press into ungreased 9x5 inch loaf pan. Bake, uncovered, in preheated 350F oven for 60 minutes.
  3. Spoon remaining tomato sauce over meat loaf, Bake 15 minutes longer or until no longer pink in center; drain. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. *Making 8 servings*

## RENEWAL AND NEW MEMBERS/SUBSCRIBERS

*George Aguilar, Eugene Alaniz, Jimmy & Eileen Brookes, Frank & Ada Candanosa, Tom & Patsy Compton, Allen Duve, Robert & Joanne Easley, Larry & Betty Evans, Patricia Fair, P.H. & Sandi Goldberg, Cynthia Graham, Mary L. Graves, Karyl Hummel, Thomas D. Jarma, Connie Jasso, Penny L. Lamb, Mario & Charm Montalvo, Lavonia Morris, Rosetta Newman, Thomas Wade Penny, Douglas Wayne Phillips, Susan Pochop, Doris Poss, Martha Quinn, Juan Rodriguez, Virginia A. Sellers, Alura Scott, Virginia Strain, Nathan & Pearl Wallace.*

## NEW GIFT SUBSCRIBERS

*Elin Dannis (gift by Eileen Hurne), Annette & Gary Lamb (gift by Penny L. Lamb,*

## DONATIONS TO TAD-SC

*Carl & Joanne Brininstool donated to TAD-SC in memory of Don Bradford, Brenda Oates donated to TAD-SC in memory of Julius Seeger, Thank you. Thomas Wade Penny donated to TAD-SC, Thank you, Doris Poss donated to TAD-SC in memory of Don Bradford, Jack Giacona donated to TAD-SC for new LED projector fund, James Maxwell donated to TAD-SC for new LED projector fund, Thank you.*

## DO YOU KNOW THEM?



*Sydna (Norton) Smith and Dorothy (Miller) Floyd*

## EDITOR'S NOTE:

Please send any news announcement, note of favorite recipes by March 17, 2012 to TAD-SC Editor Glenn Brunson, P.O. Box 41134, Austin, Texas 78704, or email [gbrunson@austin.rr.com](mailto:gbrunson@austin.rr.com)

*Thank you.*



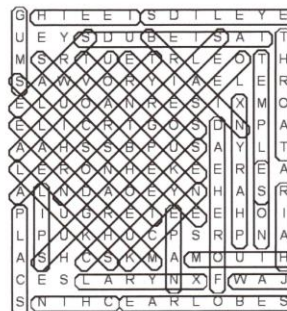
## Free Printable Word Search Puzzles

### Head & Neck

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.  
The remaining letters spell an additional word.

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U E Y S D U B E T S A T T  
M S R T U E T R L E O T H  
S A W V O R Y I A E L E R  
E L U O A N R E S I X M O  
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BRAIN	HAIR	SCALP
CHEEKS	JAW	SKULL
CHIN	LARYNX	TASTE BUDS
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EARDRUM	MOUTH	TEMPLES
EARS	NAPE	THROAT
EYEBROWS	NECK	TONGUE
EYELIDS	NOSE	TONSILS
EYES	NOSTRILS	TRACHEA
FOREHEAD	ESOPHAGUS	UVULA
GUMS	PHARYNX	



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- 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.*