

### TRAVIS ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

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### **Texas Hill Country Wildflower Trail**



<u>Texas Hill Country Wildflower Trail</u> - March through May, the roadways throughout the Texas Hill Country are lined with a variety of blooming wildflowers. A drive through this trail during spring is both breathtaking and exhilarating.

Note: "You can find three rabbits hiding in the bluebonnets."

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

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

April 7, 2011

May 5, 2011

June 2, 2011

July 7, 2011

August 4, 2011

September 1, 2011

October 6, 2011

**November 3, 2011** 

The Election of the officers 2012-2014

December 1, 2011



### **NEWS AND NOTES**

Texas School for the Deaf presents "*Wizard of Oz*", directed by Russell Harvard, based on a book by L. Frank Baum at R.L. Davis Auditorium on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Students with ID and Senior Citizens \$5.00 Adults \$7.00

Sponsored by Student Development-for more information:

www.tsd.state.tx.us

### **DeafNation Expo Austin**

Saturday, April 16, 2011

Travis County Exposition Center – Luedecke Arena

7311 Decker Lane Austin, Texas 78724

COST: Free Admission & Free Parking Hours 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Free Children Activities

Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.

### 2011 TDI Biennial Conference

Austin, Texas

ACCESS FOR ALL – TEXAS SIZE!

Join us for the 19<sup>th</sup> Biennial TDI Conference

June 2-June 4, 2011 Austin Hyatt Regency Hotel 208 Barton Springs Austin, Texas 78704

### Attendees will enjoy:

- Exhibits where they can view and discuss the latest in accessible telecommunications, media and information technologies for people who are deaf, late-deafened, deaf-blind and hard of hearing.
- Speakers and Workshop presenters providing authoritative information regarding access and technology.
- Networking Opportunities to mingle with industry representatives, government policy makers, consumers with hearing loss and the TDI Staff and Board.





Peggy and Jerry Capell

Jerry Capell and Peggy Allen were wed on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1971. They live in Temple, Texas and have two daughters and two sons. Jerry worked at Wilson Arts International Company in Temple for 29 years and retired in 2001. Peggy worked as a janitor in a beauty shop for two years and is a housewife. They used to attend Heart Texas Association of the Deaf which was established from 1987 till 2003. Sometimes they attend the Waco Association of the Deaf. Jerry enjoys helping his friend, Joe Cervenka, when deer season opens and they go camping. Peggy has hobbies in creative crafts, knitting, pottery painting and rubber stamping. They also enjoy vacations to Arkansas to visit relatives. Jerry attended schools for the deaf in Arkansas, Colorado and Texas (TSD). He barely remembers the years he was at these schools. Peggy attended TSD from 1959 to 1969. They celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a dinner at a fine restaurant.

Congratulations!



Left to right: front row; Patsy and Melvin Hoffman, Sherry and Tony Granillo, and Jerrie Cervanka; second row; Peggy Capell, Dragon, Ruby Rueffer, Betty Storey, Betty Jo Quinn, Judy Holder, Kathryn and Tom Becker, Joe Cervenka; third row; Jerry Capell, Raymond Storey, Harley Bob, Walter Holder, Melvin Rueffer, Marcia and Rennon Green.

A group of senior citizens surprised Sherry and Tony Granillo for their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary last February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Sunday afternoon. The Hostess were Patsy Hoffman and Jerrie Cervanka. *Congratulations Sherry and Tony Granillo!* (Submitted and Photo by Melvin Rueffer)

# This poem may help impress the state what the Deaf community means.

My World of Deaf, My World is Deaf
Texas School for the Deaf is my real World
My World of Deaf, My World is Deaf
where thankfully I was grown up and educated well
My World of Deaf, My World of Deaf
When I am done on the earth and cremated,
My World of Deaf, My World of Deaf
to whom may be concerned please scatter my ashes
all over my beloved and sealed Texas School for the
Deaf's soil.

My World of Deaf, My World of Deaf Soul seeing that all walks of deafies will be walking on me forever.

My World of Deaf, My World of Deaf

Class of TSD 1961 Graduate

Calvin Adams

Arlington, Texas

Road Rage Shooting Near Dallas Deaf Club March 16, 2011 05:00 PM EDT

A woman was shot dead in an apparent incident of road rage near the Dallas Association of the Deaf on Saturday evening. A security video belonging to the deaf club shows two SUVs turning off of Maple Avenue onto Douglas Avenue.

The two vehicles stopped directly in front of the deaf club, in full view of the establishment's security camera. It's unclear what the exchange was about. Speculation is, that it may have been a case of road rage. After a few seconds, the victim's tan SUV swiftly rolled backwards onto Maple, which is a busy street just off the Dallas North Tollway.

The victim was 28-year-old Martha Ramon, of Dallas. The perpetrator, who was in a black SUV, fired several gunshots through the passenger window, where she was killed. An unidentified man who was at his truck saw the exchange, but appeared uncertain of what happened, most likely because he is deaf and didn't hear the gunshots.

As the man in the video appears to wonder if he should go and help, another man quickly runs out of the club to render aid. The video ends soon after. No suspect has been caught as of yet.

The video has not yet been released to the public and the only details available are that authorities are currently analyzing the video. A second deaf man who has spoken about the case say the local police as well as the FBI are involved.

Road rage is a serious problem in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. The drivers are extremely aggressive and rude. They rarely use blinkers and frequently cut others off. According to an AutoVantage survey, Dallas/Fort Worth ranks number 2 in the nation for road rage.

The area around the Dallas deaf club is notorious for its high crime rate, and many deaf in the D/FW area have felt uneasy about attending functions there in recent years because of this. This shooting most assuredly might keep even more away unless more police start patrolling the neighborhood more vigorously.

A word of caution: if someone cuts you off, tailgates you, or otherwise makes you angry while driving, do not confront them. Doing so might end your life.

**Ruth and Julius Seeger** are now residing at Alz-Care Home at 1001 Crepe Myrtle Dr., San Marcos, TX. They love visitors. You can visit them by taking Exit 206 Aqua Arena Springs on I-35, then go to the east side of I-35 and go north for awhile. When you pass a large, new church on the corner of Crepe Myrtle and the access road, you will see the home right across from the church on the north side.

**Vernon and Joan Pate** moved to San Tan Valley, Arizona from Marana, Arizona last November, 2010. They love their new place and the Arizona climate is perfect for them. When you want to get in touch with them, their VP # is 520-445-8067. Joan lives very close to her children and they love to visit their fifteen (15) grandchildren and thirty-one (31) great-grandchildren. They always enjoy the TAD-SC newsletters.

TAD-SC received e-mail from *Margaret Fewell* recently. She wants to say "Hello" to all of the Senior Citizens of La Vista in San Marcos and Senior Citizens of Austin, and to let everyone know that she is moving to Little Rock, Ark. on March 31st. She will live with her friend, Bill Pennington, in Little Rock, and she will miss every one of you. We wish her good luck

### **DEAFHISTORY – Looking Back:**

During the 1930's -

A deaf person, wanting to watch a movie, has a choice of watching a Mexican talkie movie or an American talkie movie. It made no difference to him because movies of both languages were not subtitled!

### **SAN MARCOS NEWS**

# Good Luck! Margaret Fewell



About forty (40) friends gave a Good Luck party for Margaret Fewell at La Vista Community Center on Thursday, March 10th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Margaret was very surprised and enjoyed the party. She told everyone that she will move to Little Rock, Arkansas on March 31st. Her La Vista friends will miss her. We wish her good luck!



Left to Right: Miriam Thumann, Darlene Polson, Joan Stovall, Earl Day, Margaret Fewell, Marion Seale, Betty Thrasher, and Tennie Sessions. Center: Glenn Thrasher.



Left to Right: Juanita Basham, Cookie (Edith Hebert's daughter), Edith Hebert, and Frank Clark.

# San Patrick's Pot Lucky Party



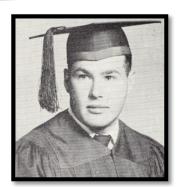
About 50 residents of La Vista had a St Patrick's Day potluck dinner at their community center in San Marcos on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Afterward they played games and had a social. They awarded James Maxwell 1<sup>st</sup> Prize and Marian Seale 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for best St. Patrick's costumes. Everyone enjoyed themselves.





Pauline "Polly" "Mimi" Houghton 1911 - 2011

Pauline Houghton, age 99, passed away February 2, 2011 in Austin, Texas. She was born August 1, 1911 in rural Texas. She was the third of twelve children. She was raised by educated in Godley, Texas. Pauline was preceded in death by her husband Paul "Doc" Houghton; daughter *Paula Ann Houghton* and son, Terry Paul Houghton. She is survived by her two granddaughters Beth Ann Cole and Debbie Rumsey, their husbands, respectively, Rick Cole, and Jeddy Rumsey, and seven great-grandchildren. Following the Graveside the family would gather at Beth Ann Cole's home.



Brevard Rodgers 1928 - 2011

Brevard Rodgers passed away March 2, 2011 in Oakland, California. He was born November 28, 1928 in Arnett, Texas. He graduated from Texas School for the Deaf in 1950. Brevard is survived by a daughter Janet, a son

David, six grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. He was cremated.

### TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF - PRIMARY HALL

Easter - 1945



Left to Right: first row; Rose Sames, (no name) and Shirley Jean Bridges Second row; Donnie Tomlin, Monty Frazier, Charles Pinkard, Mrs. Warren, Sammy Oates, Ronnie white, and Morris Porter.



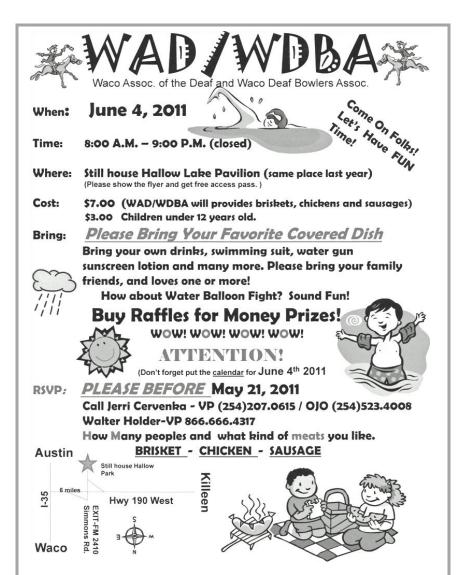
### RECIPE Hors d' Oeuvers Tortilla Rollups

By Dorothy Floyd of Midland, Texas

### Quick and Easy

- 1 lb cream cheese, softened
- 1 small carton sour cream
- 1 (4oz) can green chilies, drained and chopped
- 2 tbsp picante sauce
- 1 tbsp finely chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped black olives
- 1/8 tsp. garlic powder
- 10 (8") flour tortillas
- Additional picante sauce

User mixer to beat the first 5 ingredients until blended then adds olives and garlic powder and spread mixture on tortillas and roll up in plastic wraps and refrigerate several hours. Cut into ½" slices. Serve with additional picante sauce.



#### TADSC PRIZES

Thursday, March 3, 2011 Brenda Mills and Beth Strain gave out several door prizes at TADSC meeting.

First prizes – Brenda Oates, 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes – James Bargsley; 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes – Frank Candanosa; 4<sup>th</sup> – Connie Jasso. Best Costume – Sandra Turner and Patsy Compton.

# SHORTAGE OF INTERPRETERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Let us take Kansas as an example. There are nearly 800 mainstreamed students in school districts across the state.

And there are approximately 175 interpreters working with these mainstreamed students? And some school districts just have no interpreters at all, much less having teachers that know ASL.

And when the governor screams that the state school needs to be closed to save money, then we wonder if he knows what he is talking about.

### **RENEWAL MEMBERS:**

Tom & Patsy Compton, Frank & Ada Candanosa, Sandra Griffin, John & Brenda Mills, Betty Jo Quinn, Thomas Rose, Beth Strain, Earl Day, Steve Baldwin, Rosie Serna, James & Ruth Goolsby, Barbie Vicencio, Virginia Ruebush, Judy Thomas, and Alan Stein

#### **RENEWAL SUBSCRIBERS:**

Vera Akers, David Armstrong, Mary Graves, Barbara Warren, Tommy Wells, Mildred Thrasher, Jeanette Turnham and Melvia Normland,

#### **NEW MEMBERS/SUBSCRIBERS:**

P.H. & Sandi Goldberg, Carvin Hill Sr., Sharlene Carter and Medeline Watkins

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

Richard Duncan (Gift by Bonnie Gouge) Thank you.

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

From Steve Baldwin to TAD-SC (Thank you).



### Golf

Find and circle all of the golf words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a Mark Twain quotation.

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**DRIVING RANGE** WATER HAZARD

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WOOD

**EAGLE FAIRWAY FLAGSTICK FORE** 

**GREEN GRIP** 



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