

# Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens Newsletter *Austin, Texas*

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## The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Travis Association of the Deaf- Senior Citizens Picnic May 8, 2008



Left first row; Martha Harvard, Lisa Cochran, Connie Griffin, Left second row; Effie Miller, Juluis Seeger, Joan Montfort, Helen Sewell, Gertie Galloway, Ruth Goolsby, Left third row; Mary Harvard, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Carrie Frazier, Jo Bienvenu, Ruth Seeger, Vera Butler, Robert Montfort, Mario Montalvo, Don Sewell, Shirley & James Bargsley, Dale Frankenhauser, Allison Lewter, Newton Weatherly, Betty & Glenn Thrasher, James Goolsby, and Donna Tomlin.



Left bottom row; Peter Wright, Nick Garza, Don Bradford, Rosemary & Jerry McGaugh, Virginia Saucedo, no name Miller, Second left row; Vic Galloway, Early Day, Vivian Hesser, Tennie Sessions, Fred Newberry, Left third row; Glenda McNabb, Shirley Bulgherini, Anita Dalla, Lola Justiss, Marian Seale, Patsy Compton, Brenda Oates, Brenda Mills, Sallie Curtis, Wilma Lowry, J.C. Morris, Margaret Williams, Left Fourth row; Donna Tomlin, Sandra Griffin, Elsie Broussard, Billy McNabb, Larry Evans, Charm Montalvo, Barbie Vicencio, Betty Jo Quinn, Allison Lewter, Mario Montalvo, John Hesser, Judy Thomas, Susan Kallina, Beth Strain, James White, Patti Fry, Sandra Smith, Mary Casey, Shirley Crawford, Kenneth Burkett, Janet Morris, Glenn Brunson, Peg Eaton, Jack Giacona, Ben Williams. *Stand Behind Sandra Smith; Ann Marie White, and Juanita Basham not in picture.*



Dinner Served. Joanne Brininstool, Don Bradford, Larry Evans, Allison Lewter, Tennie Sessions, Sandra Barnes-Smith and Helen Sewell.



TAD-SC and La Vista with their spouses and friends enjoyed eating and social.



Shirley (Bridges) Bulgherini and Sandra Barnes-Smith



Beth Strain

Senior Citizens Group are watched Earl Day draw prize tickets.



Beth Strain made cards for Senior Citizens to pick it for prizes.



Picnic Committees; Vivian Hesser, Beth Strain, Brenda Oates, and Brenda Mills.



Barbie Vicencio, Glenn Brunson, Brenda Mills, and Ann Marie White.

Seventy-nine (79) Senior Citizens members and their guests were at Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park on 907 Slaughter Lane, May 8, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. The weather was so crisp cool day. They served fried chicken, Brisket Beef, and sausage links. They brought side salads and desserts. Robert Montfort gave prayer. Before Lunch, President Earl Day gave his lecture. Then Beth Strain and Brenda Mills had door prizes; Vera Butler, Dale Frankenhauser, Jerry McGaugh, J.C. Morris, Larry Evans, Lisa Graves, Glenn Brunson, Mary Harvard, Elsie Broussard, and Wilma Lowry all got money only. They enjoyed themselves.



## NEWS & NOTES



### NATIONAL FLAG DAY JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>

Anniversary of the adoption of the American flag in 1777. It is celebrated on June 14 but is not a legal holiday.

### FATHER'S DAY 2008

The Father's day is celebrated to honor our fathers for everything they do for us throughout their life. In 2008, Father's Day will be celebrated on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Father's Day 2009 will be celebrated on Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009. The holiday always falls on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month of June.

- In Australia, Father's Day is celebrated on the First Sunday in September.
- Father's Day in Canada, is celebrated on the third Sunday in June.
- In the U.K. Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June.
- In the United States it is celebrated on the third Sunday in June.

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS



- 11 Margaret Williams
- 15 Lewis Stovall
- 17 Barbara Brunson
- 21 Glenn Thrasher
- 23 Vernon Pate
- 27 Johnny Martz
- 29 Joanne Brininstool



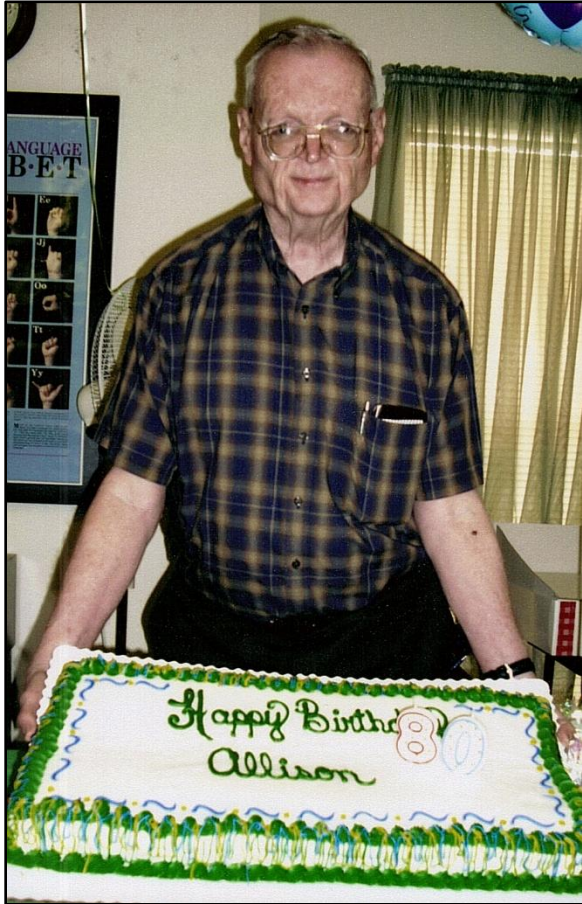
### EUROPEAN VACATION 2008



Mario and Charm Montalvo and Lucille and Raymond Suire along with 36 other deaf people went on a European vacation from March 26<sup>th</sup> to April 6<sup>th</sup>. This vacation included stops in France, Germany, and the Netherlands. They arrived in Paris by Plane and toured the Eiffel Tower, Palace of Versailles, Notre Dame Cathedral Church and many other historical sites for 3 days. Next was Trier, Germany where they boarded a riverboat and cruised 500 miles along Mosel river and about 500 miles along the Rhine River for the remaining days. While on the riverboat cruise they visited the cities of Bernkastel, Cockem, Koblenz, Mainz, Frankfurt, Desseldorf and Amserdam, Nertherlands. They enjoyed relaxing and seeing the many beautiful old castles on Rhine River.

Robert and Joan Montfort flew to Illinois to spend a night with their friends. Next day, they all went out to Paducah, Kentucky for Expo Quilt Show. (1500 Quality show with about 3,000 people) They stayed at the Duck Creek RV Park for one week, from April 17<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> (5 days). They drove a 5 hour trip back to Illinois. They stayed with friends and flew back home next day. They enjoyed themselves. *(by Robert & Joan Montfort)*

## Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Allison Lewter



**Allison Lewter**

Allison Lewter's family and his friends in La Vista Retirement Community gave him the birthday party on May 17, Saturday at 1:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. He was so surprised. The refreshment served. He really enjoyed it.



After the party, they went out to eat at Mamacita Restaurant.

Fifty-one (51) Deaf Senior Citizens and their guests, Mr. & Mrs. Juluis Seeger, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Thrasher, Carrie Frazier and Jo Bienvenu celebrated Memorial Picnic at La Vista Community Center on May 26, Monday at 11 a.m. till 4 p.m. Everyone bring food and dessert. They enjoyed social and play games.

Last May 11<sup>th</sup> Mary Wise of Harker Heights, Texas, fell and hurt at her son Ronnie's home. **Get Well !** (by Marian Seale)

Last May 13, 2008, Anita Dalla, TSD '39 fell at friend's house and EMS took her to the hospital. She had surgery on her left arm and stays at Regency Village Care Center for therapy. She look forward going home soon. **Get Well!**

**New Las Vegas Charter School for the Deaf** will open in Las Vegas, Nevada this August!

Travis County Service for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Deaf and Hard of Hearing Festival next November 8, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Fiesta Gardens in Austin, Texas.

Austin Chapter of Gallaudet University Alumni/Alumnae Association will have Sunday Picnic next June 8, 2008 at 12 noon to 3 p.m. Picnic Palvilion at Mary Searight Park, 907 Slaughter Lane, Austin, Texas. They will have their special speaker; Dr Robert Davila '53 Gallaudet University President.

## TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF EMPLOYEE ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF IMPROPER RELATIONSHIP

An employee of the Texas School for the Deaf was arrested on Friday and charged with having an improper relationship with a

student, Shane Flournoy, a 32-years old dorm supervisor, told police that a week earlier he had confessed to his minister that he had sexually abused a minor and wanted to turn himself in, according to a police officials. (Austin American-Statesman, Tuesday, May 13, 2009)

### News of the Week – Looking Back 10 Years Ago:

Winning raves is the BEYOND SILENCE film that was featured in Hollywood last week. Jens Rehenburg, a native of Germany and a graduate of California School for the Deaf at Riverside, helped with the film script. It has been nominated for an Oscar as the Best Foreign Film. (Copied from DeafDiget)

### DANGER IN BUYING A DEAF HOUSE

There is a danger when a hearing person buys a deaf house from a deaf family. Many deaf houses have built-in flashing signalers, which flash lights upon a phone ring or doorbell ring. Said a hearing buyer: When you're asleep around midnight and suddenly the lights in your house start blinking, it lends to unnerve you a bit. All the hearing buyer had to do is to disable the flashing connection. He can do it himself or hire an electrician to do the job. (Copied from DeafDiget)

## OBITUARY

**MARCENE (Phumphrey) DUNAGAN**, age 87,



TSD'38 passed away on Sunday, April 20, 2008 in Plano, Texas at her residence. Service will be at 2p.m. Wednesday, April 23 at Emmett Baptist Church with

Brother Bo Loftis officiating. Interment will follow at Emmett Cemetery. (Copied from Corsicana Daily Sun Newspaper)



**Claudia Downs**

**Southwell**, age 72, passed away on Sunday, April 27, 2008 in Ville Platte, LA. Claudia was born August 5, 1935 to her loving parents, Eluid and Ruby Johnson of

upper Evangeline Parish. Claudia attended Louisiana School for the Deaf in Baton Rouge, where she met and later married her childhood sweetheart, Prentice "Sonny" Downs in 1954. Claudia and Sonny lovingly brought into this world three children. After the untimely death of Sonny in 1971, Claudia was blessed to have met and married her present husband Robert Southwell in 1978. He has lovingly provided for her to this day. We, her husband, children, family and friends have been to begin his career blessed to have known and loved her.



**Raymond Joseph Suire**,

beloved husband, father and grandfather died early Sunday morning, May 4, 2008, when his very fragile, but ever-giving and big heart gave out. Raised on his family's dairy farm in Louisiana,

Raymond moved to San Antonio in 1961 to begin his career as a fearless entrepreneur, going into business for himself and attempting other business ventures in and related to the construction industry for over

40 years, and enjoying his retirement years by traveling extensively abroad with his beloved wife of 46 years Lucille (Flores) Suire TSD'53. Despite being deaf all of his life, he excelled in school, was a tremendous athlete and was known as a great dancer. But mostly he will be known as a person who loved to talk and get to know people. Always the prankster, he loved to laugh and make those around him laugh. Raymond will be especially missed by his church, where he was an active member of the Deaf community at San Francesco Di Paola Catholic Church. Raymond's wife Lucille, one daughter and one son, and four grandchildren.



**James Sessions,** 78, TSD'49.

Born in Alto, Texas on September 29, 1929 went to be with the Lord on Sunday, May 11, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude of 55 years, sons and

daughter in laws Ron & Donna; Dennis & Cara; Alan; and 6 grandchildren. Travis attended Texas School for the Deaf in Austin where he met and married Gertrude, TSD'52. He was an active and faithful servant of the Lord, involved in the deaf ministry at Houston's First Baptist Church and Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church for many years. Travis "Grandpa, Pawpaw" leaves a lasting legacy for all those his sweet spirit touched! Private graveside burial in Alto, Texas.

#### **FACT OF THE DAY:** *Jigsaw Puzzle*

Jigsaw puzzles got their start in 18<sup>th</sup>-century England as an educational tool to teach geography. Mapmaker pasted maps onto

wood and cut them into small pieces. The use of popular pictures for jigsaw puzzles began in the 1860's, and the puzzles grew in popularity in the early 1900's. During the 1930's, jigsaw puzzles began to be mass-produced from die-cut cardboard, their popularity soaring as they became an inexpensive and reusable form of entertainment during the Depression. The part that sticks out of a puzzle piece is called the "nub," which fits into a "void" in another piece to create a "lock."

#### **WHO ARE THEY? 1940'S**



Left first row; Frank Martino, Lenor (Gonzales) Royce, (unknown), Virginia Jarrett, Back row from left; (unknown) Harold Hurst, Kermit Veazey, Teacher Mrs. Way, (two unknown) and Patricia Barwise.

#### **GUESS WHO ARE THEY?**



Kathryn Caldcleugh, Miriam Thumann, Zelma Curbello, Martha Beckham, Joan Stovall, Juanita Easley, Betty Thrasher, Joan Picou, and Minnie Collins

## RECIPE

### COOL STRAWBERRY ANGEL CAKE JELLO

*By Sandra Barnes-Smith*

Tear up ready-baked angel cake into small bits. Set aside.

Cut up 2 cups fresh strawberries and save some slices for topping and set aside.

Chop 3/4 cup pecans or nuts and set aside.

Save about 1/4 cup chopped pecans for topping. Set aside, too.

Boil 2 cup water and add 2 small pkg strawberry jello and dissolve.

Add 1 3/4 cup cold iced water. Chill the jello in refrigerator till firm.

Blend 1/2 tub (med) lite whip cool and jello well.

Add the chopped strawberries and pecans to the jello mixture. Add the jello/strawberry mixture to the torn up angel cake and mix well.

Lay the jello mixture in a 13x9 pan or dish pan and spread evenly the rest of whip cool, top with strawberry slices and spread the pecans on top.

Chill the delicious cake overnight and serve the next day.

*(Betty Jo Quinn baked this recipe for The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Travis Association of the Deaf-Senior Citizens Picnic last May 8, 2008. Everyone asked for recipes.)*

## EDITOR'S NOTE

***Please send any news, announcement, note, or favorite recipes Deadline June 21, 2008*** to the Editor, Glenn Brunson, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749 or email to [gbrunson@austin.rr.com](mailto:gbrunson@austin.rr.com)

***Summer is coming already!*** If you have any vacations planned for this summer, it would be nice if you can share your vacation experiences in the summer newsletters!

**RENEWAL MEMBERS:** JC & Janet Morris, Elsie Broussard, Robert & Joan Montfort, Dale Hovinga, Lola Justiss, Jerry & Rosemary McGaugh, Shirley Bulgherini, Morris & Sally Porter, and Joyce Adams.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Dorothy Krystyniak, Eula Adams, Glen & Virginia Horton, Hermina Gumm, Drena Kingman, Lorita Serna, Andra Swick, Joy Gibson, Olon, Lawrence, Dorisgean Williams, Herbert and Joan Picou.

## NEXT MEETING

South Austin Senior Activity Center  
3911 Manchaca Road

**Regular Meeting**  
**June 5, 2008, Thursday**  
**At 1:00 p.m.**

***Patricia Lowry will tell her experience story about her vacation.***

***Be Seeing you there!***



## WEATHER

BALLOON	FUNNEL	SHOWER
BAROMETER	HAIL	SLEET
BLIZZARD	HIGH	SNOW
CIRRUS	HOT	SPRINKLE
CLEAR	HURRICANE	SQUALL
CLOUD	ICE	STORM
COLD	LIGHTNING	STRATUS
DEW	LOW	SUNNY
DRY	MAP	THERMOMETER
FLOOD	METEOROLOGY	THUNDER
FOG	MILD	TORNADO
FORECAST	MOISTURE	TYPHOON
FREEZING	PRESSURE	WARNING
FRONT	RAIN	WATCH
FROST	SEASONS	WET

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SENIOR CITIZENS

(Above 55 years old)

*TAD-SC Membership Dues*

*\$10.00 a year*

Please check (X)

New Member

☐

Renewal Members

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Please print (*one person per form*):

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please mail the above from with a check or money order payable to Travis Association of the Deaf –Senior Citizens (TAD-SC) to Glenn Brunson, Treasurer, 7101 Hanging Oak Circle, Austin, Texas 78749. *Thank you for your support.*







