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2nd Wednesday MMSC Social Meeting Address: MMSC, 1475 W Gray St, Houston, TX, 77019

## HDSCLF Social Meeting —September 10, 2025



Dominique Parisi hosted the luncheon on **September 10th**. Thanks to William Laws for his help in serving the food.

Nancy Morris, Deborah Wold, and Jim Derman led the meeting. Looking at the cruise advertisements. Go to page 4 for more information on the Bahamas Cruise—2027.

Special thanks to all who volunteered to bring food, as well as to those who wore their favorite team t-shirts!



**For the next meeting, on October 8th,** David Cisneros will speak about the emergency plans with Deaf Link. Police Officer Lucia Vieira, who will replace Officer James Sobota, will discuss how to communicate effectively with police officers when pulled over. Jim Derman and Dinah McKenzie are responsible for the October luncheon. Anyone who would like to help is welcome to contact them.

**Our T-shirts: Front Row:** Cristina Rodriguez, Patti Sah, Deborah Wold, Marion McCreary  
**Back Row:** Dominique Parisi, Sidney Gilland, Tracy Wold, Pamela Knab, Mike Triplett, Lisa Triplett, Susie Mouat, Celia Lasry





Front Row: Robert Bellard, Leroy Bookman, Dennis Smith, Sidney Gilland, Jeanne Hilferty, LaRonda Jackson

Back Row: Jim/Jan Dermon, Susie Mouat, Jorge Enriquez, Joe Buschmann, Ann Hornbeak, Carleen Buschmann, Lawrence Coleman Sr, Craig Adams, Elias Rodriguez, Cristina Rodriguez, Kathy Laws, Rachel Guidry, Robby Laws, Kareena Heath, Deborah Wold, Larry Hilferty, Chris Kelley, Tracy Wold, Lee Morgan, Lori Davis, Kay Flynt, Lonnie Cooper

## Day Field Trip at Galveston and Kemah September 13, 2025

Thirty-one of us visited the Galveston Railroad Museum and enjoyed the exhibits, including seeing inside the old passenger cars and climbing on the old steam engines. We took a short train ride, which was a caboose pulled by an 80-ton switcher, and that was fun, but we were sweating due to the unpleasant heat wave.

Here is an interesting fact: Old Reliable Short Line. The Galveston, Houston, and Henderson Railroad was the first railway to operate between Houston and Galveston. Sometimes known as the "Old Reliable Short Line," service commenced around 1859 and operated for 136 years under its original charter.

After the ride, we went on to Kemah for our lunch. We went to the restaurant of their choice. Most of us went to Landry.

It was a good day!



### My Hobby

By Yvonne Butler



I have developed a hobby of rock painting, which I enjoy. I painted a rock for Kilpatrick's 50th wedding anniversary. I also painted many other rocks for several people, each with a different theme. I do enjoy keeping busy. I made three quilts for my chairs, all the same for each chair in the den. Next, I will make a quilt for my granddaughter. I also make it a point to exercise every day to keep my body limber. Most importantly, I love studying the Bible and sharing stories. I have a private FB page called "Bit and Pieces of My Spiritual Journey. This is just a casual post about my spiritual growth experiences.







Eight people gathered to play "Golf Cards". What a fun and entertaining game??? We were laughing so much. Regina Castillo was handing Mary Ann Ryba a sack of cards to be shuffled. The next thing we knew, cards were flying all over the table and on the floor!! We laughed so hard. Mary Ann picked up the cards off the floor. We played till 3:00 PM. The games have been moved to Room 2 for more room to move around. It was fun. Our next game is September 24, 2025. Submitted by Nancy Morris

Bernadette Duffy, Nancy Morris, Deborah Daniels, Jorge Enriquez, Mary Louise Harrell, Mary Ann Ryba, Regina Castillo (Not pictured is Lawrence Coleman)

**Next Game Day Date at MMSC—September 24, 2025—9:00 am—3:00 pm**



Brian and Jackie Kilpatrick's daughter and grandson, Jessica and Noah surprised them with a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party at Pappadeaux recently. They were so surprised and there were tears of joy.

CONGRATULATIONS Brian and Jackie for making this wonderful and blessed 50th anniversary milestone!!! By Yvonne Butler



Mistletoe has a brand new collar with her name on it. Debra bought it for her 3rd birthday. Can't believe she's becoming 3 on September 16th. The cartoon sounds like Mistletoe. Debra & I have to get on our knees to get the ball from under couch. Sent by Nancy Morris

### Fun Game at Space Cowboy Ball Field and My Autumn Wagon by Julie Lorenz



On September 4, we, Hillary Owens, Judy Lorenz, Marion McCreary, Ruth Billiot, and Linda Mustain from Deaf Heart Church, sang the National Anthem before the ball game started at Space Cowboy Ball Field. After the 3rd inning, Hillary Owens, Judy Lorenz, Blake Owens, and Eddie Billiot played a game in which they threw water balloons at pails on their heads. Hilly and I won and beat the guys. Fun. Space Cowboys beat Okla at the very end of the inning with a grand slam. The score went from 3-3 to 3-7. Great game!

First, I stole my grandkids' old baby wagon, then I glued the Autumn Fall decorations in the wagon. The grandkids, ages 25, 14, 12, and 10, loved it.



**Cruise Fun and Relaxing Trip to Cozumel—Sept. 2025**  
Lee/Cristina Rodriguez  
Jim/Jan Derman

The cruise "Harmony of the Seas" was a good trip, and we just did nothing but eat and sleep! The ship is enormous, and to us, it is like a tiny town in the middle of nowhere!



Mary Ann Ruba's  
Baby Granddaughter,  
Lillie Anne  
Born 8/18/2025

### Tentative Field Trips 2025/2026

Toyota Motor  
Manufacturing Texas Inc.  
(San Antonio)

Texas State Railroad  
Palestine Depot

Christmas Tour  
(Drive thru or Walk)  
(Houston Area)

## Houston Deaf Seniors & Friends

### 2027 Bahamas Cruise

Sat. Jan 30, 2027—Sat. Feb 6, 2027



### 7-DAY THE BAHAMAS FROM GALVESTON, TX

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INTERIOR	\$804 -- \$839	\$112	\$95

#### **BEFORE 9/2/2026**

\$250 TO MAKE THE RESERVATION/BOOKING

**11/2/2026- FINAL PAYMENT OR PAY IN FULL**

**To make a reservation or for more information,  
please contact:**

Jim Dermon — VP 936-828-4013  
Christine Johnson—VP 979-413-5014

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Donation in Memory of: Margie Graham (Nancy Morris)  
Diane Finnegan (Nancy Morris)

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### Bus Day Trip to Texas School for the Deaf Homecoming 2025



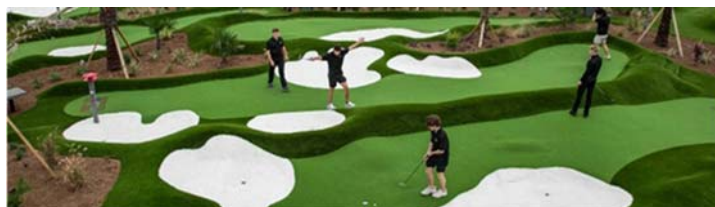
**Saturday, October 4, 2025**

**All Day Pass Ticket Cost:**

**Senior Citizen over 62—At the Door—\$10.00**

Contact Christine Johnson 979-413-5014 for more information

Meet at the South Parking Lot at 6:00 am



**Field Trip—November 15, 2025**

**Pop Stroke Mini Golf—Katy, TX—Senior Day**

**Lunch on your own** on-site with a menu that caters to every  
palate, featuring shareable appetizers, burgers, wraps, fresh  
salads, tacos, and an ice cream parlor with custom  
milkshakes for a sweet finish.

**Sign Up and Pay on October 8—\$10.00**

Meet at the South Parking Lot  
(Behind Memorial City Mall at **9:00 am**

The bus will depart at **9:15 am**.

Contact: Christine Johnson—979-415-5014