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Fun Day at Kemah Boardwalk December 5, 2022



Kneeling: Tom Langham, Ruth Naquin, Sidney Gilland, Robert Bellard
Left to Right: Jose Ybarra, Nancy Morris, Fred Simerka, Margo Jarreau, Mickey McKenzie, Cristina Rodriguez, Dinah McKenzie, Don Sah, Patti Sah, Christine Johnson, Lydia Minor, Deborah Daniels, Karen Hancock, Joanie Stephens, Lee Morgan, Marion McCreary, Eddie Naquin, Lawrence Coleman

Christine Johnson: On Monday, December 5, our senior group went to Kemah Boardwalk for a fun day. We were amazed to see a small crowd, and we felt that this place was for all of us. We got as many ride tickets as we could. There was an excellent place for us to eat with a fantastic view from the restaurant, and we had a long trail to walk around of beautiful sights outside. We want to go up there again.



Social Christmas Luncheon December 14, 2022



Jan Dermon: On December 14, HDSCLF had a social Christmas party of eating and chatting. During the meeting, several seniors shared their Christmas memory, and some shared the field trips they went on during the year. For their service, Jan Dermon presented her handmade quilted cards to the HDSCLF board members.—Nancy Morris, Christine Johnson, and Patsy Walker. Not in the picture above, Jim Dermon also received a card. Special thanks to Jeanne Hilferty, Patsy Walker, Cristina Rodriguez, Nancy Morris, and Mary Ann Ryba for serving the food. Before going home, each of them received a bag of goodies.

Houston Deaf Senior Citizens' 2022 Overnight Trip—November 29-30, 2022

By Jan Dermon

On our way to New Braunfels and San Antonio, TX, early November 29th morning, forty-three seniors got on the bus.



Our first stop was at McDonald's for breakfast, and then we had a snack at Naegelin's Bakery, New Braunfels.



A few of us went next door to Fickle Pickles to buy delicious pickles. Yummy!



The next stop after 1 1/2

hours, we visited

Sheinberg Museum and Archives.

We learned about the first German settlers to Greune, TX. Our dear Ann interpreted for us.



Lunch Time! We ate our lunch at Gristmill River Restaurant. It is a beautiful place. The food is delicious, with good portions of food.



After a good lunch break, we saw the Museum of Texas's Handmade Furniture. This little museum is full of beautiful hand-crafted furniture from the 19th and early 20th centuries. It is mainly made in Texas and handcrafted by German people. Our precious VIP Interpreter, Ann, was with us!



Imagine—there were eight retired PO workers in our group. We wanted a picture of them together.

Before going to the River Cruise, we stopped at the BW Historic Travelers Hotel for a rest. Our group was split in half because the boat carried only up to about 30 people, one hour each.



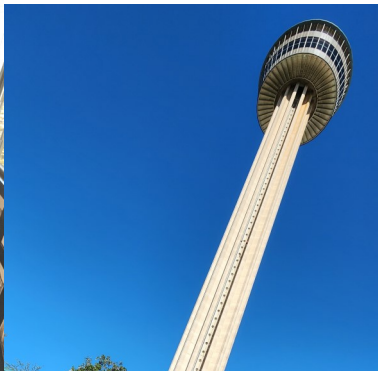
While waiting for our turn, we sat down to save our energy. We had a good day and were exhausted and ready for bed!

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The next day, we went to the Tree of Life after breakfast. It has a fascinating history. At Mission San Francisco de la Espada, the artist Margarita Cabrera worked with community members to create 700 clay sculptures adorned with a steel tree. It looks like a Christmas tree with ornaments.



The next stop was at the Tower of the Americas. The views are spectacular from the observation level. Some of us went outside and got our hair messed up. It was windy, and the ladies recognized we needed a hair tie. Lucky for men.



Tower of Americas
2022

Lunch Time! Jim and Jan’s favorite restaurant/bakery in San Antonio—Mi Tieria Café y Panaderia. What an excellent way to experience the culture of San Antonio. This restaurant is a historical landmark with a bakery and wonderful TexMex. It is a beautiful festive place, and pinatas are hanging everywhere. It’s next to the El Mercado shops, and some of us went shopping.



This annual tour was perfect with a few hiccups. It was like “lost and found.” The first one was at River Cruise in San Antonio, where there was a lot of street construction. Our bus driver and Bill tried to find the way to our hotel. Thankfully, they found the hotel after several turns and a phone map. Then all of us clapped and waved joyfully.

The next hiccup was at the mall. Again, due to the street construction, we needed help finding the way to the boat. Our two people were busy looking at the scenery and got lost. Fortunately, they contacted us over the phone and were able to find us. Also, we found the boat. What a relief, and we were happy.

Lastly, on the way to the Tower of the Americas, one lady thought she had lost her phone while visiting the Tree of Life. While the bus driver stopped and almost turned around, she found her phone in her coat pocket! Whew!

We had a marvelous time. Special thanks to Jim Dermon for planning the trip.

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| Thurman Amerson | Thomas Langham |
| Clyde/Wanda Andrew | Jayne Leycock |
| Robert Bellard | Brenda Lozano |
| Lawrence Coleman | Marion McCreary |
| Deborah Daniels | Michael/Dinah McKenzie |
| Lori Davis | Sheryl Meador |
| Jim/Jan Dermon | Lydia Minor |
| Celia Di Maria | Lee Morgan |
| Virginia Duncan | Nancy Morris |
| Kevin/Diane Finnegan | Zane Owens |
| Sidney Gilland | Dominique Parisi |
| Larry/Jeanne Hilferty | Elias/Christina Rodriguez |
| Bill/Ann Hornbeak | Mary Ann Ryba |
| Christine Johnson | Don/Patricia Sah |
| Thomas/Christine Klenert | |

BROOKWOOD

Field Trip—Christmas Luncheon

December 17, 2022



Patti Sah, Wanda Andrews, Clyde Andrews
Don Sah



Diane Finnegan, Kevin Finnegan,
Thomas Langham, Jeanne Hilferty,
Larry Hilferty, Nancy Morris,
Dinah McKenzie, Mickey McKenzie



Brian Kilpatrick, Jackie Kilpatrick,
Yvonne Butler, Larry Butler, Fred Simerka,
Ruth Naquin, Eddie Naquin, John Holland



Margo Jarreau, Jan Dermon, Jim Dermon,
Deborah Daniels, Robert Bellard,
Marion McCreary



Dominique Parisi, Thomas Klenert,
Christine Klenert, Lee Morgan,
Elias Rodriguez, Cristina Rodriguez,
Joanie Stephens, Lori Davis, Celia Di Maria



Patsy Walker, Dana Glasscock,
Deborah Wold, Carolyn Dill,
Christine Johnson, JoAnn Adkins

On a lovely and cool day, 37 seniors arrived to board the bus to Brookwood. We arrived safely and were greeted by eleven other seniors who chose to drive there.

The lunch was delicious. Everyone chatted away while waiting on their food to be brought to them.

Then, we headed to the Gift Shop. Beautiful things were being sold in that shop. There were beautiful Christmas trees all decorated. Even some of the Seniors had their pictures taken in front of them. Several seniors bought gifts to give to others; some even bought plants to bring home for inside or plant in their yards.

Then, we boarded the bus back to the Memorial City parking lot to head home. Everyone had a great time, and I wished everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Submitted by Nancy Morris



Crystal Jackson, Lawrence Coleman Sr,
Judy Becker, Brenda Lozano,
Dennis Smith, Mary Ann Ryba,
Karen Hancock



**Social Meeting
January 11, 2023**



Officer James Sobota will speak from 10:00 until 10:30, while **Rick Harris**, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Access Specialist, will speak from 10:30 to 11:00 am.



**January 17, 2023
(Tuesday)**

**Space Center Houston
Tour and Lunch Included**

\$20.00

Deadline: Jan. 2, 2023

Meet at the South Parking Lot
behind Memorial City Mall at 8:30 am
Bus leaves at 9:00 am

Contact Christine Johnson—979-413-5014

Meal Options

Adult Meal Option 1	Choice of cold sandwich or salad Bag of Lays potato chips Bottled soda or water
Adult Meal Option 2	Choice of 1 hot entrée or 1 hot sandwich 120 oz. bottled soda or water

TENTATIVE—February 11, 2023 Cost: \$5.00

Buffalo Soldiers National Museum
The Houston Farmers Market

Lunch on Your Own: Barnaby's Café or Black Walnut Café

Meet at the South Parking Lot behind Memorial City Mall
at 9:00 am. Depart at 9:30 pm.

Deadline: 1/11/2023

Contact Christine Johnson 979-413-5014



TENTATIVE—Liberty, TX and Dayton, TX

March 11, 2023—Cost: \$5.00

- The Jean and Price Home and Archives
- The 1848 Gillard-Duncan House
- The 1883 Norman House
- Great Texas Coastal Birding Trail
- Old School Museum (Dayton)

Lunch on Your Own: Jax Hamburgers

Meet at the South Parking Lot behind Memorial City Mall
at 8:30 am. Depart at 9:00 pm.

Deadline: 2/08/2023

Contact Christine Johnson 979-413-5014

December Birthday



**Thomas Klenert, Jose Ybarra, Fred Simerka
Bernadette Duffy, Ruth Naquin**

**Mark Your Field Trip
Calendar**

2/11/2023 (Saturday)

3/11/2023 (Saturday)

4/1/2023 (Saturday)

5/23/2023 (Tuesday)

6/3/2023 (Saturday)

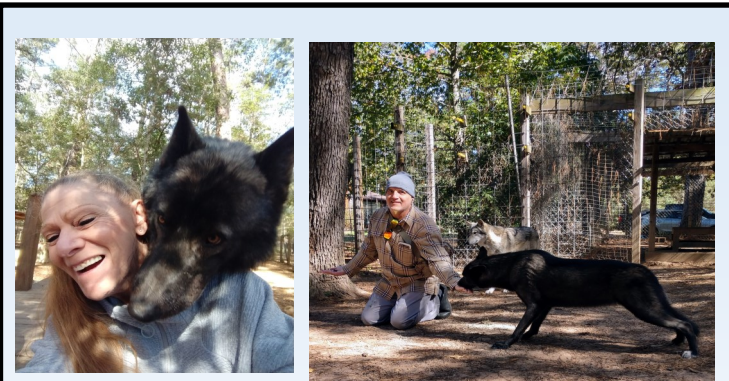
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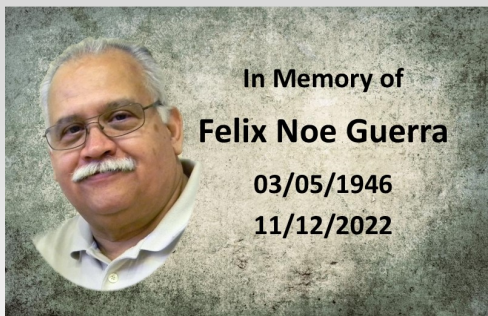
Thurman, Amerson, Josephine Davis, Sidney Gil-land, Diana Griffin, Brian/Jackie Kilpatrick, Robert/Linda Purvis, Margie Scribner, Michelle Smith

Donation to Project Love Fund:

AmazonSmile Foundation
Brian/Jackie Kilpatrick



Ruth Naquin: Eddie and I visited the wolf-dogs at Texas Wolfdog Project in Montgomery, Tx. It's a competition every Saturday for their volunteers to see who gets the most steps in! We met each and gave some pup-Peroni treats with beef flavor to wolfdogs. Eddie and I enjoyed walking the wolfdog on a leash for one mile. My favorite is a pet wolf.



A memorial service will be held on January 14, 2023, at 11:00 am at First Colony Church of Christ. The address is 2140 First Colony Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479. All are welcome to join in the celebration of his life.

Send some news, your trip, an announcement (newborn baby, birthday, anniversary, craft, obituary, and color photos to me before or on **15th day of each month**. Thanks!

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Fred Simerka:

On December 2, 2022, I retired from working for 50 years at the Postal office. I enjoyed working at PO for a long time. It is time for me to spend time with my kids and grandkids.

Congratulation, Fred!

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