

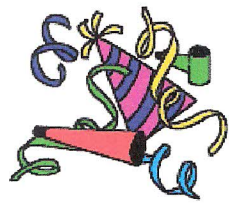
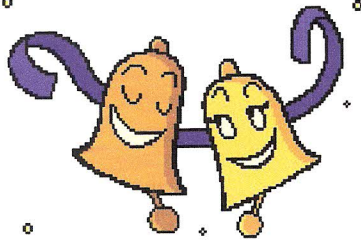
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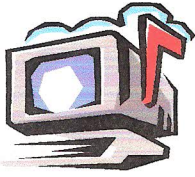
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Issue 1

Happy New Year!
2002



*Best Wishes for a New Year of
Health, Happiness and Prosperity.*



From the Editor:



Houston Deaf Senior Citizen Newsletter

Happy New Year!

I hope everybody had a great holiday and returned home safe.

Editor
Frank Shaw

This month is our THIRD anniversary of Houston Deaf Senior Citizen newsletter. Time sure flies. The staffs would like to thank you for your support. We will continue to do our best to make our newsletter more interesting.



The newsletter folding will be on last Wednesday of each month at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center. I appreciate your volunteer to help us.

Staff

Please send any news, information, picture or recipe that you wish to share with other Senior Citizens. ***We would appreciate if you could write no more than 250 words of any news due to limited space on the newsletter.*** Please note that the editor may at his discretion edit articles or news items for brevity and to correct errors. Mail to: Houston Deaf Senior Citizens, 9954 Kirkshire Drive, Houston, TX 77089, email to hdsnews@yahoo.com, or fax to (281) 416-0799 or (713) 781-4576. **The deadline is on 15th of each month.**

Karen Clifton



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Mary Jo Stevens

Thank you,

Frank Shaw



Audrey Wright

Flash News for next field trip Houston area – January 11, 2002

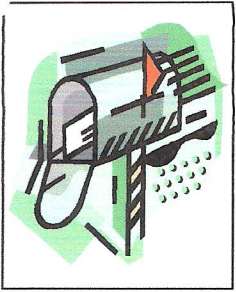


Houston Senior Citizens will meet at Metropolitan Multi Service Center, 1475 West Gray at 9:00 AM. The bus will depart at 9:30 AM. The group will visit Museum of History Funeral, Houston Fire Museum, and Japanese Garden (if weather permits).

Fee is \$5.00 per person at Museum of History Funeral,
\$1.00 per person at Houston Fire Museum, and
no charge at Japanese Garden.

Be sure to bring some extra money for lunch. Come and join fun together.
See you on 11th.

News



San Antonio Senior Citizens News by Mary Corley

We, San Antonio Senior Citizens, attended the bazaar at La Vista on November 3rd. There was a big gathering from Austin, San Antonio, and surrounding areas. It was great meeting friends from near and far. We all had a good time.

Ima Jean (Ledbetter) Martin entered the hospital on November 7th for knee replacement surgery, and is doing better than expected. She was moved to rehabilitation for therapy and at present is home from the hospital. She is staying with her daughter, Barbara, until she is able to go home. She is greatly missed at our meetings, and we are looking forward to have her return real soon.

The Senior Citizens had their Thanksgiving party on the 13th of November. The staff furnished the turkey and the trimmings. The rest of us brought covered dishes. Everyone had a great time enjoying the food, and fellowship. Then we played games until time to leave. Zavier Montalvo missed the dinner, as he had to go to a workshop meeting.

We had a speaker at our meeting on November 15th. His name was Father Blair. He gave a very interesting speech and showed us some books he had painted. He is currently from Chicago, but has been in different states until his transfer to San Antonio. He works with the deaf citizens here and his sign language is very excellent. We enjoyed his visit and his speech. We hope he will be back among us soon.

Lesson on Life: "What happens to you on the inside...Becomes reality on your outside".

My Uncle by Frank Shaw

My Uncle, W. A. "Doc" Fisher, 84, passed away on November 23, 2001, a day after Thanksgiving Day. I was glad that I had visited with him three days before he passed away. He was my favorite and the last uncle on my mother's side. I will always miss him.

Brief News by Nellie Bishop

My daughter, Shirley Plaster went to the hospital on 1960 Road in late November after Thanksgiving holiday and had her gallbladder removed. She is doing fine. I am glad to hear that she is improving and getting strong.

Brief News by Billy Buza

On December 5, 2001, I had eye laser surgery on my left eye at the Methodist Hospital, and stayed there for one night. I am doing better...it's like a new life.

Guess what? My son, Terry gave me a Rottweiler puppy for my birthday, and I love it.

Proud Grandmaw again: Marlene Hanks

My daughter, Michelle, gave birth to her second baby on December 5, 2001, at 8:18 AM. This time it's a girl, and her name is Kiva Adyrenne LeFors. She weighs 8 lbs. 5 oz. and is 21.5 inches long. She looks like her older brother, Alec. I am very excited and proud to be a grandmaw again.

News from Melvia Nomeland

Hello! I am happy that Houston, where my sister Claudia, brother John, and I once resided long ago with our parents, Gertie and Jack Miller (1940-50's), has a great Deaf Senior Citizens organization! My husband Ron and I always enjoy reading the HDSC's newsletters. We are members of the Maryland Deaf Senior Citizens. Ron recently was elected to be on the board for the National Deaf Seniors of America. Our daughter, Jamie just finished her internship in mental health counseling, and hopes to secure a job soon. May your year of 2002 be a healthy and safe year. Love, *Melvia*

Salado Field Trip: by Frank Shaw

On Friday, the 7th of December, 22 Senior Citizens, and an interpreter, Freda Carter took a field trip to Salado, TX. What a great town for tourist! When we arrived there, we stopped by Stagecoach Inn Restaurant to eat, then snooping around the stores and seeing beautiful Christmas decorations. There are lots of interesting stores like crafts, crystals, Christmas items, and many other things, but we hadn't finished with our tour as there was not enough time as the bus was ready to leave around 5 PM. On our way back to Houston, the bus driver drove around Taylor Court House, and we were amazed to see the beautiful Christmas decorations outside that building. We all were exhausted due to lot of walking around the stores, but really were happy and in Christmas spirit.



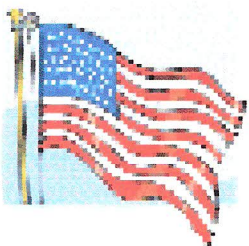
Mandarin Cake

- 1-box butter cake mix
- 1-cup cooking oil
- 1-can mandarin oranges (drained)

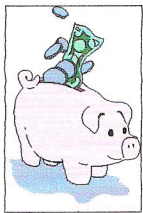
Mix all ingredients and pour into 2 cake pans. Bake at 350 degree. (*You can put peaches or any fruits instead of oranges*).

- 1-regular or sugar-free package instant Vanilla pudding*
- 1-large can crushed pineapples (drained)*
- 1-9 oz. Cool Whip*

Mix instant pudding with pineapples and Cool Whip; put between cake layers and on top of cake.



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AND UNITED IN YEAR 2002!**



From Zelma Curbello of LOVE FUND:

We wish to thank you for your generous donations to **LOVE FUND**: Craig Adams, Joyce & Roy Adams, Dinah & Walt Anderson, Jesse Baxter, Arlene Benham, Billy & Pauline Corum, Zelma & Gus Curbello, Judith Griffin, Thelma Jo Hays, William Hebert, William Lambert, Audrey Leger-Wright, Elnora Morgan, Helen Padgett, Jerry & Martha Quinn, Frank Shaw, Betty Tefler, Tommy & Jenice Wells, and Damon Wright.

Special thanks to Early McVey for his donations to **LOVE FUND IN MEMORY OF deceased friends in the year of 2001**, and to Pernella Smith for her donations to **LOVE FUND IN MEMORY OF her deceased husband, Curtis Smith**.

Thank you, Billy Buza, for your 'half' donation to **LOVE FUND** from the proceeds of raffle sales you organized for gifts and door prizes. Winners are William Hebert, Christine McKinnon (third times), Ruth Montgomery, Lennie Morton, Rubin Sims, Pernella Smith, and several others.

Anyone who wishes to donate \$\$\$ to **LOVE FUND** should please make check or money order payable to Houston Deaf Senior Citizens-Love Fund. Please mail to:

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NEW SUBSCRIBERS:

Welcome to our new subscribers: *Communication Access Ability Group, Darla Connor, Nancy Morris, and Lorene Strothers.*

RENEWALS:

Thank you for your renewal: *Dorothy Altom, Andrew Beckham, Anna Burrowes, Jerrie & Joe Cervenka, Sam & Darlene Derstine, Edie Feliciano, Judith Griffin, Edith Herbert, Doris Mae Jameson, Oceal Lamb, Mary Alice Luna, Melvia Nomeland, Zane Owens, Ruth Phillips, Jerrell & Betty Jo Quinn, Tennis Sessions, Miriam Thumann, and Arnold Vogt.*



December Birthday group: Left to right on front row: Jack Richard, Joan West, Marie Hays, and Sam Mangum. On back row: Eugene Piercy, Billy Buza, and Rubin Sims.



December Wedding Anniversary Couples: Left to right: Z. X. & Dorothy Curry-1940; Sam & Billie Mangum-1946; and Raymond & Ann Edgley-1977. Congratulations to them.



Calendar of Events



December 28 – January 3, 2001(a week)

Open captioned movie, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone", Rated: PG, at AMC Studio 30 on Dunvale & Westheimer.



January 3, 2001 (Thursday)

ATTN: Due to New Year on Tuesday, Jan 1st, Positive Interaction Program (PIP) will be held on Thursday, January 3rd at **Woodhaven Church for the Deaf** at 9920 Long Point at 7 PM. The presentation will be: "Drug Sniffing Dog". HPD officer will bring his dog out and show us how they find drugs. Refreshments will be served. Interpreter & captioning will be provided.



January 4, 2001 (Friday)

ASL Social at Going's BBQ Restaurant, 330 East Southmore ST, Pasadena, TX 77502 (nearby Southmore Ave. and Main St.) from 5 PM to 9 PM. Come and join us to meet old and new friends! Please contact Earl Johnson at (281) 487-2921 TTY / Relay TX (voice), either 711 or (800) 735-2988; Roger Spivey (email) spivey39@ev1.net before 31st of December, so they can inform the restaurant the number of people.



January 9, 2001 (Wednesday)

Houston Senior Citizens will have a meeting at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center at 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX from 9 AM to 1 PM. Closed Captioned will be provided. Come and enjoy chatting with friends!



January 11, 2001 (Friday)

Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will have a field trip in **Houston Area** on Friday, January 11th. Please be at **Metropolitan Multi Service Center at 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX** between 8:30 – 9 AM. The bus will pick people up by 9:30 AM. Let's join us and enjoy ourselves. (See editor page 2, for more information)



January 17, 2001 (Thursday)

Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will meet at **Woodhaven Baptist Church** at 9920 Long Point. There will be potluck for lunch. If you wish to bring a covered dish, please contact **Evelyn Autry** at (713) 984-8186 TTY or **Gertrude Sessions** at (281) 447-7575 TTY and let them know what you will bring.



January 18 -- 24, 2001 (a week)

Open captioned movie, "Spy Game", Rated: R, at AMC Studio 30 on Dunvale & Westheimer.



January 23, 2001 (Wednesday)

Houston Senior Citizens will have a meeting at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center at 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX from 9 AM to 1 PM. Come and enjoy chatting with friends!



January 25 – 31, 2001 (a week)

Open captioned movie, "Ocean's Eleven", Rated: R, at AMC Studio 30 on Dunvale & Westheimer.

January 2002

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR 	2	3 PIP Meeting "Drug Sniffing Dog" 	4 ASL SOCIAL Jesse Baxter 	5
6	7	8	9 S.C.M.M.S.C. 	10	11 Houston Area Field Trip 	12 Billie Holloway 
13	14	15	16 Dorothy Curry 	17 S.C. Social Woodhaven 	18	19
20	21	22 Billy Corum 	23 S.C.M.M.S.C. 	24 Walt Anderson 	25	26
27	28	29	30 Jenice Wells 	31		

Social Meeting



Birthdays



Anniversary

Christmas Party



⇔ Hordes of Houston Deaf Senior Citizens enjoyed signing Christmas carols together. I D Wickers and Esther Brownalenoir did a good job to lead the songs.



Ladies wearing their Christmas outfits. ⇔

Left to right on the front row: Christine McKinnon, Gertie Sessions, Pernella Smith, Lennie Morton, Jane West, Audrey Leger-Wright, and Elnora Morgan.

On the back row from left to right: Opal Piercy, Esther Brownalenoir, Pauline Corum, Arlene Benham, Jenice Wells, Zelma Curbello



⇔ Gifts and three attractive poinsettia plants on the table for the raffle.





⇔ Billy Buza volunteering to hand gifts to the winners. William Hebert hold the poinsettia plant prize while Ruth Montgomery received her raffle gift.



⇔ Pernella Smith, Gertie Sessions, and Dorothy Curry looking at several gifts Christine McKinnon won from the raffle.



⇔ What a lovely family – Roy Adams, his wife Joyce, and their son Craig.



Deaf History

ANTONIO MARGAROTTO

1891 - 1966



It was 1932, and a deaf man stood before Benito Mussolini, the fascist dictator who murdered thousands of his countrymen and helped to start World War II. The deaf man was Antonio Magarotto and he had a complaint.

Using one of his young hearing sons as an interpreter, Magarotto told Mussolini that it was not right for the head of Italy's national association of the deaf to be a hearing person. Worse, Magarotto said, the law required it. A deaf person could not apply for the job! Mussolini must change the law.

According to Cesare Magarotto, his father talked to Mussolini like he talked to everyone else. This is not easy in Italian because in Italian there are two different words for "you." When talking to friends, children, and animals Italians say "tu", when talking with strangers and superiors, they must be polite and say "voi."

But for Magarotto's father, the world had neither strangers nor superiors. The world had only equals and friends. "It was 'tu' for everyone," remembered Cesare, even when he talked to Mussolini.

Everyone was shocked to see a deaf man talk that way to Mussolini. But Mussolini did not laugh. He agreed with Magarotto! In 1940, deaf people received the right to head their own national association—partly because of Mussolini and partly because of Magarotto. Magarotto became head of the new organization.

But Antonio Magarotto didn't stop there. He believed that deaf people needed their own international organization, too. In 1951, Cesare helped his father print invitations to a worldwide meeting of deaf people. Mostly European deaf people came, crowding into the Margarotto home. At the meeting, the World Federation of the Deaf was born. Today the World Federation of the Deaf is affiliated with the United Nations. Many countries are members—and all countries must have majority deaf representation.

Antonio grew up in Rome, Italy. He lost his hearing when he was three years old. Determined to learn Italian, he read all of the time, writing down and memorizing long lists of vocabulary. Antonio had one goal for his life, Cesare said: Helping other deaf people. "My father's life was a great sacrifice," said Cesare Magarotto. "But it was for a great cause."

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Rest in Peace



OBITUARIES

Lenora (Trahan) Heinen, 66, a graduate of Louisiana School for the Deaf, passed away at her residence in Rayne, LA on Wednesday, November 28, 2001. A rosary was recited at 7 PM on Thursday evening, November 29th. Funeral service was held on Friday, November 30th at 10 AM at St. Leo IV Catholic Church and buried in St. Leo Cemetery in Roberts Cove, LA. She is survived by a son, Richard Heinen and his wife Laura of Egan, LA; 3 daughters, Bonnie and Mary Heinen of Roberts Cove, LA, and Debbie Robichaux and her husband Francis; one brother, Dalton Trahan of Ohio; three sisters, and seven grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Heinen, and one son, Charles Heinen, Jr.

She was a member of St. Leo's Ladies Altar Society, the Deaf Action Club, and beloved dedicated 29 years member of LAAD (Louisiana Association of the Deaf).

Betty L. Dunn, 75, passed away Saturday, December 8, 2001. Visitation was 6 – 9 PM, Monday, December 10th, and the funeral service was held on Tuesday, December 11th at 11 AM at Earthman North Chapel, 5100 North Freeway, Houston, TX. Interment to follow at Earthman Resthaven Cemetery. She is survived by her children: Mr. & Mrs. Bobby McKee of Willis, TX, Ms Linda Hopmann of Houston, TX, Mrs. Patricia Hanon of Sherpard, TX, Mr. Kenneth Copeland of Louisiana, Lt. Jim Alberts of East Bernard, TX; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Senior Friends, Episcopal Diocese of Texas, and the Deaf Association. She was the first sign language interpreter, and the first female newspaper reporter of West Columbia.

Joseph Frederick St. Romain, 71, passed away Friday, December 14, 2001. Visitation was held at Greenoaks Funeral Home, 9595 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA. He was buried in Greenoaks Memorial Park on Monday, December 17th. He is survived by his wife, Vernice Alicia St. Romain; three sons, Louis, Mike, and William; two granddaughters, four grandsons, and brother, Emile St. Romain, and sister, Sylvana Vicknair. He was a graduate of Louisiana School for the Deaf and retired from the LSU (Louisiana State University) Library. He was member of First Baptist Deaf Church, and Louisiana Association of the Deaf.

Thank You letter from Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church

Dear Friends,

Your gift to Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church in memory of *Emory Watson* is a loving expression. Thank you for giving and be assured that the gift is one that will be used in the Lord's work.

God always blesses those who love, serve, and give to His church from their material resources.

“Each Man should give what he has decided to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” - II Corinthians 9:7

May God bless you as you serve Him under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

In His service,
Arthur Craig,
Pastor to the Deaf

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