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JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

On July 10th, 34 deaf seniors gathered together at Woodhaven to celebrate 4th of July. Jan Dermon had 2 games assigned for us to play which was a lot of fun, and everyone was laughing and giggling. We also had a TEST about July 4th!!! in which everyone enjoyed answering; it was fun and interesting to learn more about U.S. Independence Day history for that date.

Police Officer James Sobota arrived at 10:00 am to introduce us to Dr. Everette Penn, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Teen and Police Service (TAPS) Academy, who talked about Senate Bill (SB) 30, The Community Safety Education Act. Dr. Penn explained that he is training all police officers every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 PM on the 7 steps for traffic stops. He also goes to different high schools and middle schools to explain how to handle a traffic stop. The 7 steps are as follows:

1. Find a safe place to pull over.
2. Be sure to turn your signaler on when pulling over.
3. Roll your window down.
4. Turn your car off.
5. Keep your hands on steering wheel.
6. Give Texas driver's license (TDL) & Insurance paper to the police officer.
7. Look for safe place to leave when done.

Dr. Penn explained that they are training police officers to have the proper authorization attitude. When pulled over, the driver needs to tell police officer that that person has a gun. Get out of the car only when instructed. Do not move to different location unless instructed. Once you are out of the car, DO NOT get close to the police officer or tap the officer



Police Officer James Sobota
Interpreter Dan Mustain

on the shoulder or arm. Everyone needs to have their lights on at night and make sure all rear bulbs are working. Police officers will pull you over. Respect is the key to have this change made.

If you are not happy with an officer's attitude, you have the right to file a complaint on the Houston Police Website. Once the Houston Police Department receives the complaint, they will follow through with the person. All officers must wear cameras to prove if their attitudes were right or wrong. If police officer asks to search your car, you have the right to say, "No!" The officer

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can't search your car. The website also allows anyone to compliment a police officer for good behavior and respect.

Texas Senator Royce West was behind the new Community Safety Education Act and stated that TRUST was the factor. He states that everyone needs to keep their hands visible and not reach for anything. The police officer can make the arrest if you refuse to show TDL. If you left your TDL at home, you will be given a citation and you need to sign it. If you refuse to sign citation, you will be arrested. After everything has been done, the officer will wait for you to pull out and leave before he/she drives away. We thank Dan Mustain for interpreting for us!

After Dr. Penn and Police Officer James Sobota left, we had a delicious meal of chicken from Church's along with biscuits, green beans, pasta salad, cole slaw, desserts, tea and water.

Submitted by Nancy Morris



Yummy!!! Fried Chicken!!!!



5-Crowns Game—Wanda Andrew won the game!



Yvonne Butler won the game—less 13 seconds!!!



July 13, 2019 Field Trip—George Bush Library and Museum and BeeWeaver Honey Farm



First Stop—GB Museum

Kneeling: Robert Bellard, Dennis Smith, Brian Kilpatrick, Virendra Desai, Zane Owens

First Row: Troy Graham, Margie Graham, Nancy Morris, Mary Ann Ryba, Patsy Walker, Gertie Sessions, Doina Langham, Jan Dermon, Jacqueline Kilpatrick, Lee Morgan

Last Row: Jim Dermon, Yvonne Butler, Larry Butler, Clyde Andrew, Brent Burns, Wanda Andrew, Don Sah, Tommy Langham, John Holland

The Presidential Library, is a great museum. It told the entire life history of President George H.W. Bush. Every exhibit had a full detail of the historic events in his/our lifetime. There is a replica plane which he flew in World War II, hanging from the ceiling. There are scale replicas of his Oval Office, Kennebunkport, and Presidential cabin at Camp David. There is an amazing site to see the pond, garden, and burial grounds.



Second Stop—BeeWeaver



BeeWeaver Honey Farm is a delightful place. It has a great selection of honeys and souvenirs. There is an observation hive in the store to see how the bees build a honeycomb. There are honey tastings for the guests.

Field Trip Highlights—George Bush Museum and BeeWeaver

Which one is the President of USA?....



Nice chitchat with President George!!



Scrumptious Lunch at Blue Baker

Bush Gravesite



August Senior Citizen Luncheon & Social



August 14th

9:00 am—3:00 pm

At

MMSC

1475 W Gray St.



What to Bring...

Contact:

Mary Ann Ryba
832-413-6975

BASEBALL



SOLD OUT

Astros All Game

Cost: \$10.00 — July 10, 2019

Payment in advance required.

The ticket is non-refundable.

Please meet at Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church

4:30 pm for light dinner

Bus leaves at **5:30 pm.**



Contact Jim Dermon
936-828-4013

Field Trip—Day at Baytown (Tentative) September 14, 2019

Cost: \$5.00

Deadline: September 11, 2019



Baytown Historical Museum



Baytown Nature Center



Eddie V Gray
Wetlands Center



Luncheon at El Toro
On Your Own

Please meet at **8:00 am**
Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church
9920 Long Point Rd, Houston
Bus Leaves at **8:30 am**

Contact:
Jim Dermon
936-828-4013

Field Trip—Goliad, TX: Embracing the Past

Saturday, October 12, 2019

Cost: \$10.00

Deadline: October 9, 2019



Goliad
State Park
and
Historic
Site



LUNCH ON
YOUR OWN



Markethouse
Museum

Presidio
La Bahia



Please meet at **6:00 am**
Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church
9920 Long Point Rd, Houston
Bus leaves at **6:30 am**

Contact: Jim Dermon (VP 936.828.4013)

HDSCLF OVERNIGHT TRIP (Updated)
December 3—4, 2019 \$95 Per Person*
Fredericksburg • Johnson City • Marble Falls



Holiday Lights



Pioneer & Vereins Kirche Museums



LBJ State Park

December 3

- LBJ State Park & Historic Site
- LBJ Ranch
- The Real New Orleans Style Restaurant—On Your Own
- Trail of Holiday Lights and Walking Tours
- Overnight at Fredericksburg, TX

December 4

- Pioneer Museum/Vereins Kirche Museum
- Luncheon at Auslander Restaurant—Included

***The price is subject to change. Price is for anyone who is Deaf and over 60 years old residing in Houston area. Anyone under 60 years old and not deaf is to contact Jim Dermon (936-828-4013) for pricing. Full payment is due no later than October 31, 2019. Monthly payment can be arranged. After October 31, 2019 is non-refundable.**

Please send the payment to HDSCLF stating “Overnight Trip” on the memo”

HDSCLF • Attention: Overnight Trip • P.O. Box 130705 • Houston, TX 77219-0705

Fredericksburg Attractions

Pioneer Museum

Fredericksburg is famous for its German roots that stretch back to its founding in 1846. The bold German immigrants who founded their own community faced inhospitable wilderness, wary Native American and Mexican neighbors, and all the other perils of living on the frontier in the 19th century. Today, you can experience how these brave folk and those who came after them lived and put their own indelible stamp on the Lone Star State by visiting the Pioneer Museum in Fredericksburg.

Administered by the Gillespie County Historical Society, the Pioneer Museum encompasses 11 historic structures on three acres of land, with four of the buildings resting in their original locations. Embark on a self-guided tour of each building and you'll get an up-close view of authentic artifacts, furniture, photographs, and audio recordings of descendants of the pioneers describing what life was like from the 1840's up to the 1930's. The properties include:

- The Fredericksburg Volunteer Fire Department Museum, featuring early 20th-century firefighting equipment
- The Schandua House, an 1880's home furnished in period style with gingerbread woodwork on the porch posts
- The Weber Sunday House, a small house unique to the region where the owners would rest while in town to shop or attend church.

The Vereins Kirche ("Society Church") is a special extension of the museum. Located in the MarktPlatz at 100 West Main, the building is a replica of the original 1847 structure that was the first public building in town, serving as town hall, school, fort, and church. The "VK," as locals call it, now houses a range of fascinating exhibits detailing local history.

<https://www.tourtexas.com/attractions/Pioneer-Museum-Fredericksburg>



Dambach-Beiser House
(Main Entrance to Pioneer Museum Complex)



Weber Sunday House



Sauer- Baumann Farm



White Oak School

Renewals:

Deborah Daniels
Rachelle Guidry
Thomas/Doina Langham
Evelyn Marek
Fred/Cathy Simerka
Rochelle Simpson

Gift subscription

Catherine Burns (Brent Burns)

Donations to HDSC Love Fund:

Thomas/Doina Langham

On the behalf of HDSC board, we want to thank you for your kind donation. Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of Houston Deaf Citizens.

Thank you again for your kindness.



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