



Non-Profit Organization

Tidbits

Volume 24—Issue 11

www.hdsclf.org

November 2023



40th Anniversary Party

We had a fantastic time at the 40th Anniversary Party on **October 11th**. Everyone that came enjoyed themselves. We had fun playing HINGO and Corn Hole. It was good to see everyone, especially friends who lived far away.



The luncheon was delicious and enjoyed by all. The committee did a great job of pulling everything together. The decorations were excellent and in theme with the Fall colors and HDSCLF's logo.



40th Committees: **Front:** Dianne Finnegan, Cristina Rodriguez, Christine Johnson (CoChair), Doina Langham, Nancy Morris (Chair), Jan Dermon, Jim Dermon **Back:** Kevin Finnegan, Christine Klenert, Thomas Klenert, Joanie Stephens, Tommy Langham

Christine Johnson and I were pleased with everything, as we enjoyed working with our committee.

Submitted by
Nancy Morris

Special Thanks to
Tom Langham for
making HINGO
stand.



Social Thanksgiving Luncheon—November 8, 2023—9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: Houston's First Deaf Church

Turkey and Ham Provided

What to bring side dish: Contact Christine Johnson

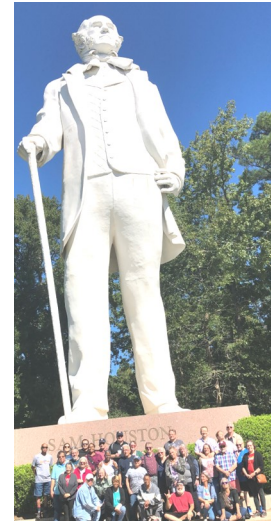
979-413-5014



Day Trip at Huntsville, TX—Field Trip October 14, 2023



- | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| CLYDE ANDREW | JEANNE HILFERTY | CRISTINA RODRIGUEZ |
| WANDA ANDREW | LARRY HILFERTY | LEE RODRIGUEZ |
| ROBERT BELLARD | CHRISTINE JOHNSON | MARY ANN RYBA |
| EDDIE BILLIOT | DOINA LANGHAM | DON SAH |
| RUTH BILLIOT | THOMAS LANGHAM | PATTI SAH |
| LAWRENCE COLEMAN | CELIA LASRY | FRED SIMERKA |
| JIM DERMON | ROBBY LAWS | PAMIE TOPANG |
| JAN DERMON | KATHY LAWS | YENTER TU |
| CAROLYN DILL | JAYNE LEYCOCK | DEBORAH WOLD |
| BERNADETTE DUFFY | MARION McCREARY | CYNTHIA WUNSCH |
| JORGE ENRIQUEZ | LEE MORGAN | JOHN WUNSCH |
| SIDNEY GILLAND | DOMINIQUE PARISI | JOSE YBARRA |



Front of Sam Houston Museum

Sam's Home



Sam Houston Museum
Texas Prison Museum
Sam Houston Statue

On October 14th, it was a gorgeous day, not a cloud in the sky. There was a cool breeze, much improvement from our hot weather during August and September. Thirty seniors got on the bus and on our way to meet the last six seniors at Huntsville. We visited the Sam Houston Memorial Museum, the Texas Prison Museum, and the Sam Houston Statue. Before we went to the statue, we had lunch at Farmhouse Café.



On the same day, there was an eclipse. At noon, Carolyn Dill prepared and brought her shoe box with a punched hole aimed at the sun. Behold, a tiny image of the sun, an eclipse! Also, we saw the shadows of crescent figures of the sun due to the light passing between leaves. It is reportedly due to a "pinhole camera effect," which lets light through a tiny hole in a screen. The same happens when light from an eclipse passes through tree leaves.



A birthday boy on the same day was Larry Hilferty—a significant 70!



We had a great day!



A Brief History of Sam Houston (from Google)

Sam Houston was a Virginia-born lawyer, soldier, and politician who gained enduring fame as a leader of the [Texas Revolution](#). After commanding Texan troops to victory over Mexican forces in the [Battle of San Jacinto](#), he became the first president of the Lone Star Republic and one of the first two U.S. senators to represent Texas after it joined the Union in 1845.

**All Day Field Trip—Visiting Lockhart, TX
Saturday November 18th, 2023**

Cost: \$5

Meet at the South Parking Lot
behind Memorial City Mall
at **6:00 am**
Bus leaves at **6:30 am**

Contact Jim Dermon
936-828-4013

Deadline: 11/08/2023



Dr. Eugene Clark Library



**Caldwell County
Courthouse**



**Caldwell County Jail
Museum**



Brock Cabin



**The Southwest Museum
of Clocks & Watches**



Texas Hatters



**Lunch On
Your
Own**

Exhibits include a rare complete collection of Bing & Grondahl Christmas plates, nice exhibits on Viking history, the Danish settlement of Danevang and other areas in Texas, religion in local society, local agriculture and cotton growing, historic weather records for the area, and personal artifacts.



December 5, 2023—Danish Heritage Museum, Danevang, TX

Including Danish Country Lunch

Cost for 60&Up: \$15 Cost for 59&Under \$20
NON-REFUNDABLE

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

Contact Jim Dermon—936-828-4013

Deadline: 11/08/2023



**Where would you like to go
for the next field trip for the
next six months?**

Any suggestions?

Contact Jim Dermon.

Social Meeting — 2nd Wednesday of the month: 11/8, 12/13

Field Trips—Saturday 11/18; Tuesday 12/05

Field Trip 2024: Saturdays—1/20, 2/17, 3/16, 4/13, 5/11, 6/15

Jeanne/Larry Hilferty's Cruise to Bermuda



We went on a cruise from September 23rd to 30th. We flew to Baltimore, Maryland, and went on a town tour, then cruised to Bermuda for six days the next day. We rode the bus for a time in Bermuda. On the island, we stopped at a beach called a pink sand beach, and we stopped at Hamilton to go shopping there. The lady asked the bus driver about the triangle disappearing, and he laughed and said it was not true. We had a good time.

Board of Directors and Tidbits Committees



Patsy Walker
President



Christine Johnson
1st VP



Nancy Morris
Secretary



Jim Dermon
Treasurer

Newsletter Editor
Jan Dermon

Webmaster
Judy Becker

Photography
Robert Bellard
Jan Dermon



Social Christmas Italian Luncheon MMSC on December 13, 2023

For Reservation
Please get in touch with
Christine Johnson 979-413-5014



October 5, 2023—Was Ferdinand Berthier Born Deaf? An Insight into His 220th Birthday Celebration by Google Doodle

Today, as we celebrate the 220th birthday of Ferdinand Berthier, one might ask: was Ferdinand Berthier born deaf? The answer lies in the annals of history. Born on September 30, 1803, in Saône-et-Loire, France, Berthier encountered deafness at an early age. By the age of eight, this transformative experience led him to enroll at the National Institute for the Deaf in Paris, marking the beginning of his remarkable journey.

Submitted by Nancy Morris

Tidbit Newsletter

Renewals:

Ellis B Johnson Jr, Debbie Lokey, Thomas/Christine Klenert, Mickey/Dinah McKenzie, Lee Morgan, Don/Patti Sah, Phyllis Smith

Gift Subscriber: Rose Hukins (Don/Patti Sah)

Donations to Project Love Fund: Thomas/Christine Klenert

Donation in Memory of: Margaretta Graham (Debbie Lokey)



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!

Jan Dermon Editor of HDSCLF Tidbits

Email: jdermon.senior@gmail.com

<input type="checkbox"/> Subscription Non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization		<input type="checkbox"/> Donation	
New <input type="checkbox"/> \$5.00 per year-Electronic Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> \$12.00 per year-Paper	X Year(s) = \$ _____.00	Please Print Clearly	
Name: _____		OFFICE USE ONLY	
Spouse: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
Address: _____		Receipt # _____	
City/State/Zip: _____		Receipt # _____	
Email (Required): _____		Y/P/Phone _____ Fax _____	
Donation/Gift Subscription			
Gift Subscription from (Giver) _____			
Donation to HDSCLF \$ _____ In memory of _____ (tax deductible)			
Donation \$ _____ to the Houston Deaf Senior Citizens Love Fund (tax deductible)			
Make payable to HDSCLF and mail this form with personal check or money order to Houston Deaf Senior Citizens Love Fund, Attn: Treasurer, PO Box 131072, Spring, TX 77393. Thank you.			