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May our home be made holy, O God, by
Your light.

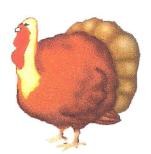
May the light of love and truth shine upon
us all as a blessing from you.

May our table and our family be consecrated
by your Divine Presence at this meal
and all our family meals. Amen.

From Prayers for the Domestic Church By Edward Hays









FROM THE EDITOR:

Houston
Deaf Senior
Citizen
Newsletter

Editor Frank Shaw

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Audrey Wright We, Senior Citizens, would like to thank Elizabeth Criswell, a stepdaughter of Emory Watson and Lena Jo, a daughter of Joe and Lennie Morton for serving us a delicious BBQ lunch and cakes to honor Emory and Joe's 90th birthday. We were surely so glad to see Emory because we had not seen him for quite a long time.

Please send any news, information, picture or recipe that you wish to share with other Senior Citizens. We would appreciate if any of you can write no more than 250 words of any news due to limited space on 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 hdscnews@yahoo.com, or fax to (281) 416-0799 or (713) 781-4576. The deadline is on the 15th of each month.

I appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you.

Frank Shaw

From C.R.R.:

Career and Recovery Resources, Inc. (CRR) provides instructions in Adult Basic Education for all levels of learners. CRR uses state-of-the art computers as part of their instructional system. All instructors are fluent in ASL. Senior Citizens are welcome. Please *contact Kunle Adegboye* @ (713) 754-7042 TTY for more information.

From Zelma Curbello of LOVE FUND:

We wish to thank you very much for your generous donations to **Love Fund**: Arlene Benham, Elizabeth Criswell, Gus/Zelma Curbello, Kendra Finninger (Elizabeth Criswell's daughter), Maurice Ford, Thelma Jo Hays, Elnora Morgan, Frank Shaw, Curtis/Pernella Smith, Mary Jo Stevens, Emery Watson, Daril/Sue Williamson, and Audrey Wright.

Thank you, *Billie/Tom Holloway* for your donation to **Love Fund** the proceeds of raffle sales you organized. Pernella Smith won a set of potholders, which were handmade by Billie. Thanks also to **Hazel/Jack Richards** for their generous donation in Honor of deceased friends.

RENEWALS:

Thank you for renewal: Claudia Adkins, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Anita Dalla, Billie Fulbright, Lenora Heinen, Estelle Heinstschell, Nathan Hester, Blanche Keigh, Inez/Lucien Pierce, Pauline Solazzo, and Loyd Williams.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS:

Welcome to our new subscribers: Kathryn Berzas, Anna Burrowes, Harry Richard, Gloria Slates, and Mary Young.



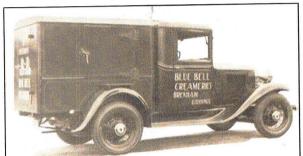
Field Trip Story by Audrey Wright

On September 27th some senior citizens and I took a field trip to Brenham, TX. We toured Antique Carousel. A man (Doug Baker) gave us an interesting historic carousel story: The C. W. Parker Amusement Co. in

Abilene, Kansas built the Antique Carousel in Brenham, TX sometime between 1895 and 1906. Ever since many dedicated citizens of Brenham and Washington County have been involved with the care, maintenance and enjoyment of the carousel. It is the pride of the community since it is a unique carousel, and many who rode it as children have returned with their children and grandchildren. By the way we could not ride the horses because they were so old and not strong for adults so Mr. Baker let us ride on the benches around and it was fun. Then we stopped by Purcell's Country Foods Restaurant for lunch. The food was delicious-like home made. Afterward we went to Blue Bell Creamery to tour and watch movies of two short historic stories. We were served free any flavor ice cream before we left for Houston. It was delicious! Here is a brief history from a brochure:

The Brenham Creamery Co opened in 1907 in Brenham, TX. In 1930 we changed our name to Blue Bell Creameries. Mr. E. F. Kruse became General Manager in 1919; his sons Ed and Howard

run the company today.



It was a hot day late in August of 1907 when the Brenham Creamery Co. opened its doors. In the beginning we only made butter, but by 1911, we made a gallon or two of ice cream a day. We packed it in a large wooden tub with ice and salt and

delivered it by horse and wagon to a few of the friends and neighbors around Brenham. Their ice cream had to be pretty special back then, because everybody made their own.

The Little Creamery really began to grow when we traded our horse and wagon for a horseless carriage in the late 1920's. By 1930, we had become Blue Bell Creameries and were on our way.

Over the years, a lot has changed at Blue Bell Creameries, but the quality of our ice cream hasn't changed.

At first there was only one Creamery Company in Brenham, TX, then 7 companies in Texas and now in 13 states.

AUSTIN NEWS by Tennie Sessions

Correction for the Austin Deaf News from the last issue:

In addition to the news about the trip to the Canadian Rockies, we visited the famous sites like Calgary, Edmonton, Jasper, Columbia, Icefields, Lake Louise, and Banff. Anyone who has never been there should be encouraged to see these places. The vacationers who went there were: Carl & Joanne Brinistool, Ralph & Frances White, Julius and Ruth Seeger, Anita Dalla, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Montie Strother, Abe and Paula Israel.

Kathryn Caldcleugh will fly to New York next November to visit her nephew. She loves to travel to different states often. It is so much fun!

On September 28th the Austin Senior Citizens went on a trip to Boerne which was 25 miles northwest of San Antonio. At first they visited the famous old German pioneer house *Kuhlmann King House* where they saw many interesting relics used by the early German settlers in the 1850's. Then they dined at a very interesting German restaurant, but they were surprised that all kinds of food were served, including pizzas. Perhaps that restaurant wanted to update its menu? Those who went on the trip were Dorothy Matthews Altom, Juanita Easley Basham, Glenn Brunson, Kathryn Caldcleugh, Dewana Clark Collins, Jeanette Chatelain, Marcene Humphrey, Dunagan, Jerry and Dovie Hassell, Ruby Kleberg, Allison Lewter, J. C. & Janet Britt Morris, Fred Newberry, Morris & Sally Woodlee Porter, Ron & Beth Proffitt Strain.

Message from Mary Faye Tippett:

My mother, Verna Frances (Simmons) Gunter is now at Granbury Care Center, Deaf Service at Granbury, Texas. I know she would appreciate to hear from you. You can send her note or greeting cards at **GRANBURY CARE CENTER**, 301 SOUTH PARK ST., GRANBURY, TEXAS 76048. I personally would like to thank each and every one of you for being her best friends for years and years. I know she loves you all very much. We hope she gets better care while she stays there.

<u>Billie Fullbright</u> is at the **Westchester Plaza Apt in Fort Worth**. She would love to hear from any of you. Write to her at **Deaf, Inc., 554 S. Summit #719, Fort Worth, TX 76104**.

<u>Blanche Keitg</u> of Baton Rouge, LA fell and suffered a broken hip. He had a surgery on Sept. 13th and is now recuperating at home.

<u>Joy McKinnon</u> of Houston, TX is now at Faith Memorial Nursing Home. He would appreciate a visit, note or greeting cards at 811 Garner St., Pasadena, TX 77502-2315.

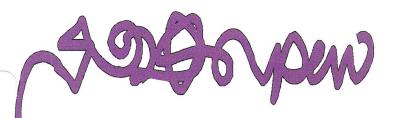
THANKS NOTE From Juanita Gunn, Van Gunn, Virginia O'Neal, and Fred Gunn, Jr.:

The family of Fred Gunn Sr. wants to thank everyone who came to the surprise birthday party and for the gifts, cards and money. Our Dad was extremely overwhelmed by acts of kindness, and the family was, too. Special "Thank you" to the wonderful Staffs and Residents at La Vista, who always go out of their way to help each other and for helping us with the party.

NEWS from Mary Frances (Sheppard) & Paul Spanbauer:

My husband Paul and I are enjoying living in nearby Columbus, Ohio. There's beautiful and lots of trees in Westerville. We now live much closer to our children who live in Knoxville, Tenn., and Lanham and Silver Spring in Maryland. We drove to MD in about 8 hours much better than from Illinois.

God Bless you.



"Learning"

The infant girl, she cannot hear, The mother weeps, her soul does tear. The father grunts, he holds his head, Both wonder what will lie ahead.

The baby coos, she weeps and screams, The mother soothes, but has bad dreams. The father knows she will learn to walk, But how can she ever learn to talk.

The child grows, sweetness revealed, The mother's guilt has not healed. The father's anguish continues to burn, He ponders how his child can learn.

Teacher forbids the child to sign, Lest her speech begin a decline. The mother tries to teach the child her name, The father looks away, in burning shame.

In another world, in another day, A man held up his hand, making an "A". The child understood, and copied the man, And from that day on, her language began.

"B" followed "A", and "C" followed "B", Ideas connected, thus set her free. Many little Alices have since been born. How much longer must their lives be torn?

> Marcia Glick, '77 New York (MANUS 1977, vol. 12)

(Marcia Glick, Gallaudet class of 1977 died of diabetic complications in the early 1990"s. After taking penicillin for ear infection, she became totally deafened overnight – at the age of 21.)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Nov 3, 2000 (Friday)

OPTICA, Illuminations...Theatre with the Deaf presents classic movie night, "Farewell My Lovely & In the Grove". National Theatre of the Deaf historical performances in Communist China and South Africa will be the topic of discussion. Presented by Susan Jackson, who toured with the company and will offer slide show presentation of her experiences.

Nov 7 & 8, 2000 (Tuesday & Wednesday)

Open captioned movie, "Bring It On" at AMC Studio 30 on Dunvale and Westheimer.

Nov 8, 2000 (Wednesday)

Senior Citizen's will meet at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center at 1475 West Gray from 9 AM to 1 PM. **NOTE**: There will be only **one** meeting on 8th of this month.

Nov 14 & 15, 2000 (Tuesday & Wednesday)

Open Captioned movie, "Pay It Forward" at AMC Studio 30 on Dunlave and Westheimer.

Nov 15, 2000 (Wednesday) Field Trip:

We will have a field trip to New Braunfels. Any of you who plan to go on the trip need to be at Woodhaven Baptist Church at 9920 Long Point by 8:30 AM. The bus will leave at 9 AM.

Nov 16, 2000 (Thursday)

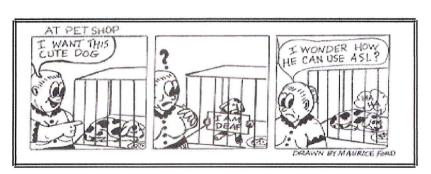
Senior Citizens will meet at Woodhaven Baptist Church at 9920 Long Point. There will be potluck for lunch. If you wish to bring a covered dish, please contact Clyde Hays at (713) 649-1056 TTY or Gertude Session at (281) 447-7575 TTY and let them know what you will bring.

Nov 23, 2000 (Thursday)

It is a holiday... We wish you all Happy Thanksgiving!

We will miss you!





Maurice Ford, Houston, TX, will move to Abilene, TX in early November. We want to thank him for doing his *great* job to make banners of holidays, birthday & anniversary for senior citizens and also, drew several cartoons (see above). Don't forget us and be sure to keep in touch, Maurice.

November 2000







RECIPE

NEIMAN MARCUS COOKIES

(Recipe may be halved)

2 cups butter

4 cups flour

2 tsp. Soda

2 cups sugar

5 cups blended oatmeal ***

24 oz. Chocolate chips

2 cups brown sugar

1 tsp. Salt

1 8 oz. Hershey Bar (grated)

4 eggs

2 tsp. Baking powder

2 tsp. Vanilla

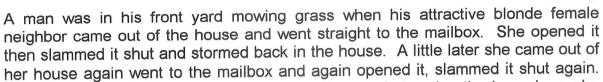
3 cups chopped nuts (your choice)

-*** Measure oatmeal and blend in a blender to a fine powder. - Cream the butter and both sugars.

Add eggs and vanilla, mix together with flour, oatmeal, salt, baking powder, and soda.
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- Bake for 10 minutes at 375 degrees. Make 112 cookies.

JOKE



Angrily, back into the house whe went. As the man was getting ready to edge the lawn, here she came out again, marched to the mailbox, opened it and then slammed it closed harder than ever. Puzzled by her actions the man asked her, "Is something wrong?" To which she replied, "There certainly is!" My stupid computer keeps saying, "YOU'VE GOT MAIL."





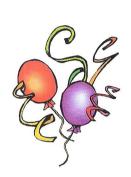
<u>James McCallum</u>, age 77, passed away September 22, 2000. He and his wife moved to LaVista Retirement Apartment in San Marcos recently before his death. He had cancer. Graveside service was held on Sept. 28th at Alexander Cemetery, in Bryan, TX. Eugene/Opal Piercy, Earl McVey, and Clyde/Marie Hayes attended the service.

Mabel (Morton) Pape (Joe Morton's sister), age 93, died October 12, 2000. She was a former resident of Austin, TX. She graduated from T.S.D. in 1925. She was in a nursing home in Fort Worth, TX to be near her daughter. She is survived by a daughter, a son and grandchildren. A memorial service was held 6:30 PM October 18, 2000 in the church in Fort Worth.



Gloria (Allen) Slates, daughter of Gordon and Weinona Allen, was chosen by the residents of Faith Memorial Nursing Home to represent them in the MS GOLDEN YEARS Pageant on September 8th in Pasadena, TX. Escorted by the Knights of Columbus, sponsored by Secure Horizons, and East Harris County Senior Citizen, each contestant was asked, "What advice would you give a young adult?" With twelve contestants the answers were varied and interesting.

Photo: From left to right: Frank Shaw, Gloria Slates, and Christine McKinnon





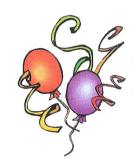








Photo: Joe Morton and Emory Watson

On October 11, 2000, there was a surprise birthday party to honor Joe Morton and Emory Watson's 90th birthday at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center in Houston, TX. Emory's family and Joe's daughter, Lena Jo were joining with senior citizens to celebrate the party. Elizabeth Criswell ordered the BBQ catering from PAPPA's BBQ to serve us sliced beefs, sausages, baked beans, potato salad and iced teas. The caterers decorated beautiful autumn leaves, baskets and pumpkins on the table. Also, two cakes were decorated the same so one was for Joe and another one for Emory. Maurice Ford drew the "Happy Birthday" banner for them. He did a great job. Joe and Emory enjoyed their special day.



Photo: Bush Library, College Station, TX

On October 18, 2000, thirty-two Senior Citizens from Houston took a field trip to College Station, TX by a bus and toured George Bush Library and Museum. They were able to discover the beauty and elegance of the library and museum. The Bush Library's collections include 38,000,000 pages of official and personal papers, 1,000,000 photographs, 2,500 hours of videotape, and 70,000 museum objects. The Museum includes 17,000 square feet of space with a changing exhibit gallery and also contains a classroom designed especially for students from kindergarten through high school. A staff education coordinator combines Texas social studies, which teach students about the presidency, American history, and our government.

The Senior Citizens watched at least 10 minutes of videotape with closed captioned about our former president, George Bush and his family's life. The Bush Library is the only stop in Texas by the National Portrait Gallery to demonstrate the portraits of all the Presidents of U.S. For the first time ever, the Gallery is traveling from October 6, 2000 thru January 15, 2001 with their fine collection of 71 presidential portraits to seven well-known sties around the country. Fortunately, the Senior Citizens were able to see the portraits before being taken to other states.

After lunch at a buffet place in Bryan, they returned to the library and continued to tour the Museum. They saw a World War II Avenger Torpedo Bomber, a 1947 Studebaker, which George Bush rode in, a slab of the Berlin Wall and precise replicas of President Bush's Camp David and Air Force One offices, etc. Really, they did not complete the tour since time was up for returning to Houston. They enjoyed and learned so many things. The trip was a really worth it!

(NOTE: Unfortunately, the picture of senior citizen group taken did not come out good on black and white.)



DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

"Positive Interaction Program"

The presentation will be on: "Texas Parks and Wildlife"

They will tell us all about the use of our state parks.



Woodhaven Church for the Deaf 9920 Long Point

>>>> <u>Thursday</u> < < < < < < 7:00PM . . <u>NOVEMBER 2 ND</u> , 2000

From: Officer Randy Metion

Hope to see you there. My TTY # 713-308-9071

Emergency # 911 - then tap spacebar !

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