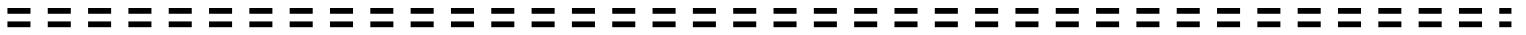


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Senior Trip on December 2nd



Twenty six seniors went to **Heritage Museum** in Conroe, TX. This was the birthplace of the Lone Star Flag. Dr. Charles B. Stewart, the first Secretary of State to the Republic of Texas and designer of the Lone Star Flag and Texas Seal, was an early resident of Montgomery County. In the replica of his office, you can see his drawing of the flag and seal, an original Texas land grant signed by President Sam Houston. The **Heritage Museum** is housed in the Grogan-Cochran home. These 2 families owned and operated 25 sawmills over the years. You can go to their website at www.heritagemuseum.us for further information. We then headed to Woodlands Mall to do some Christmas shopping and ate dinner in the Food Court. The bus stopped near the Christmas decorations for us to view the lights and different designs. The Christmas tree was an awesome sight. There was an Ice Skating Rink in a tent, but none of us tried to skate. Smiling.....

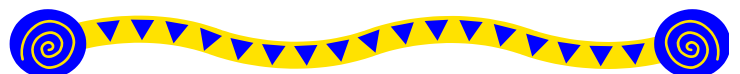


Love Fund Cookbook

Houston Deaf Senior Citizens Love Fund has collected the best recipes from group members, families, and friends and compiled them into an attractive keepsake cookbook. Each cookbook will contain helpful cooking hints, recipe category dividers, table of contents, an index, and special pages of interest to our community. The cookbook will be typeset in an easy-to-read format and professionally printed and bound. We will begin selling the cookbooks on January for **\$10.00** each. They may be purchased from any member of this organization. Proceeds from our cookbook sales will help fund future projects sponsored by our organization. Your help in contributing recipes will ensure that our cookbook will be a success. We anticipate a great demand for our cookbooks, and we want to be certain we order enough. You can reserve one or more copies for yourself and your family at this time to be assured of receiving them. The cookbooks contain 344 well-loved recipes including appetizers, main dishes, desserts and many others. Recipes include the contributor's name, enabling you to find the recipes of families and friends. For more information, contact **Luci Ryan, Judy Lorenz, Amelia Guerra, or Rochelle Simpson.**

Or email at striken263@yahoo.com with the number of cookbook(s) you would like to order. Or you can order from:

HDSCLF
P.O. Box 664
Missouri City, TX 77459





Lennie Morton

FLOURLESS PEANUT BUTTER-CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

From Southern Living December 2010
Submitted by Lennie Morton and her daughter,
Lena Jo Grover

- 1 cup creamy peanut butter
- 3/4 cup sugar (I used Splendora instead of sugar)
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate morsels

1. Preheat oven to 350 F.
2. Stir together peanut butter and next 4 ingredients until well blended. Stir in chocolate morsels.
3. Drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls 2 inches apart onto parchment paper lined baking sheets.
4. Bake at 12-14 minutes or until lightly browned.
5. Cool on baking sheets on a wire rack 5 minutes.
6. Transfer to wire rack, and let cool 15 minutes.



Jenice Wells

Fruit Pizza

Recipe not available



Julie Spaulding

SAND TARTS

- 1 cup margarine (2 Sticks)
- 5 Tbsp. sifted powdered sugar
- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Cream margarine, add sifted powdered sugar and flour. Stir until smooth. Add vanilla and pecans. Chill. Mold into palm of hand to shape. Bake on greased cookie sheet in oven at 350 degrees until brown. When cool, roll in powdered sugar. Makes about 4 dozen. Submitted by Julie Spaulding.

N E W S

Positive Interaction Program

Sent by Officer James Sobota

Starting in the year of 2011, our Deaf PIP members voted to change the schedule of the PIP meetings to every other month. The 2011 meeting dates are **February 1, April 5, June 7, August 2, October 4, and December 6**. Officer James Sobota will continue to send out these meeting reminders. The next Deaf PIP meeting will be February 1st. These meetings will continue to be held at Woodhaven Baptist Church for the Deaf, 9920 Long Point, Houston, TX at 7:30 PM. Interpreter and captioning will be provided. Happy New Year!

DeafNation Expo Austin

This event will be held on Saturday, **April 16, 2011** at Travis County Exposition Center – Luedecke Arena, 7311 Decker Lane, Austin, TX 78724. Free admission and parking. Hours are from 9:00 am till 5:00 pm. Free children activities. Post this on your Calendar if you are interested in attending.

How did Jefferson know?

Submitted by Beverly Brill



Thomas Jefferson was a very remarkable man who started learning very early in life and never stopped. At age of 5, he began studying under his cousins' tutor. He studied Latin, Greek and French. Then, he studied classical literature and additional languages. At age of 16, he entered College of

William and Mary. Then, he studied Law for 5 years starting under George Wythe. By the time he was 23, he started his own law practice. He was elected to the Virginia House of Burgesses at the age of 25. Then, at age of 32, he was a Delegate to the Second Continental Congress. He wrote the Declaration of Independence. It took him three years to revise Virginia's legal code and wrote a Public Education bill and a statute for Religious Freedom. At age of 36, he was elected the second Governor of Virginia succeeding Patrick Henry. He served in Congress for 2 years. At age of 41, he was the American minister to France and negotiated Commercial treaties with European nations along with Ben Franklin and John Adams. Then, at age of 46, he served as the first Secretary of State under George Washington. By age of 53, he served as Vice President and was elected president of the American Philosophical Society. At age of 55, drafted the Kentucky Resolutions and became the active head of Republican Party. Then, he was elected the third president of the United States and served 2 terms. At age of 60, he obtained the Louisiana Purchase doubling the nation's size. He retired to Monticello at age of 65. He helped President Monroe to shape the Monroe Doctrine at age of 80. At age of 81, he almost single-handedly created the University of Virginia and served as its first president. Then, at the age of 83, he died on the 50th anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence along with John Adams. He understood actual history, the nature of God, his laws and the nature of man. That happens to be way more than what most understand today.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, January 1 -- HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone. In the United States, it is traditional to spend this occasion together with loved ones. A toast is made to the new year with kisses, fireworks and parties among the customs.

Friday, January 7 -- ASL Social will meet at Panera bread, 5855 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, TX 77505 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Check website at www.panerabread.com for more information.

Thursday, January 11 -- Chief's Citywide PIP Meeting will be held at 1602 State St. (Auditorium) at 7:00 PM. Contact Officer James Sobota by email: james.sobota@cityofhouston.net or call at 713-308-9079 (Voice) or 713-308-9071 (TDD).

Wednesday, January 12 -- Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will have their business/social meeting at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX 77019 from 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM. Games will be provided for those that want to play. Come and have a great time with friends.

Friday, January 14 -- Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will have their field trip to Flatonia, TX and Schulenburg, TX. Everyone must be at Woodhaven Baptist Church for the Deaf, 9920 Long Point, at 7:00 AM as the bus will leave at 7:30 AM. We will visit E. A. Arnim Archives and Museum (\$1) and Stanzel Model Aircraft Museum (\$2). We will stop for lunch between these 2 Museums. For more information, contact Margie Graham at 281-552-8321 (OJO) or Julie Spaulding at 281-249-5276 (VP).

Friday, January 21 -- ASL Social will meet at Genghisgrill, 9766 Katy Freeway at Bunker Hill, Houston, TX 77055 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Check website at www.genghisgrill.com for more information.

Wednesday, January 26 -- Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will have their business/social meeting at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX 77019 from 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM. Games will be provided for those that want to play. Come and have a great time with friends

OBITUARIES



Alma Lee Whittmore peacefully passed away on November 15, 2010. Alma was born in Lubbock, TX to Edward and Alma Aydelott. When she was 4 years old, Alma was stricken with scarlet fever that left her completely deaf. The

combination of her deafness, growing up in the early stages of a western town like Hobbs, and the lively nature of her siblings supplied her with many colorful stories that she was fond of recounting later in life. When it was time for Alma to go to school, she was sent to the New Mexico School for the Deaf in Santa Fe, and later to the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, where she met her future husband, Glynn Whittmore. Glynn and Alma eventually settled in Houston, where they raised their 3 children. Alma worked briefly at Sunnyland Furniture as an upholsterer. Alma is preceded in death by her husband Glynn Arvin Whittmore and her 3 siblings: Bill, Jack, and Lorraine Aydelott. She is survived by her 3 children: Jo Baker of Austin, Gregory Whittmore of San Jose, CA (wife Laurie), and Glynn Lee Whittmore of Houston (wife Renata). Alma is blessed with several grandchildren. There is one great grandchild, Raleigh Hager and another due to be born in January 2011.

Mary M. Dunagan, 90, passed away November 27, 2010, in Pueblo, CO. She was born Aug. 10, 1920, in Wichita Falls to Clovis and Estella Nail. She retired from Tandy Corporation as an inspector. She is preceded in death by her husband, Truitt L. Dunagan. Survivors include her son, Dana Dunagan & wife Judy of Pueblo CO.; brother, Jimmy Nail & wife Elaine of Lubbock, TX; grandchildren, Nathan L. Dunagan and Danell A. Dunagan Valdez; great grandchildren, Mathias Valdez and Jade C. Valdez; 3 great great grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Funeral services was held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 3, 2010, at Emmett Baptist Church with the Rev. Floyd Petersen officiating. Interment was held at Emmett Cemetery, in Emmett, TX.



Birthday for January

Jan 1-Evelyn J. Autry
Jan 2- Virginia D. Dunson
Jan 8-Patsy Walker
Jan 12-Billie Holloway
Jan 21-Dennis Smith
Jan 28-Bubba Lorenz
Jan.30-Jenice Wells
Jan 31-David Garcia



Anniversary for January

Jan 13-Felix and Amelia Guerra - 37 years

Editor's Message

Bill Koch has volunteered to assist me with the newsletter. I'm so grateful for his assistance. I sure hope all of you like the new look.

Nancy Morris
Editor

Fruit

Find and circle all of the fruit that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell an additional fruit.

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AVOCADO	GRAPEFRUIT	PEACH
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BLACKBERRY	KIWIFRUIT	PERSIMMON
BLUEBERRY	KUMQUAT	PINEAPPLE
CANTALOUPE	LEMON	PLUM
CHERRIES	LIME	POMEGRANATE
CHOKECHERRY	LYCHEE	RASPBERRY
COCONUT	MANGO	RHUBARB
CRABAPPLE	MULBERRY	STRAWBERRY
CRANBERRY	NECTARINE	WATERMELON

