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HDSCLF Field Trip—July 1, 2015 Brookwood and Katy



Front Row: Jan Dermon, Janie Morales, Delma Long, Gertie Sessions, Ellen Sias, Luci Ryan
Second Row: Linda Smith, Ann Hornbeak, Rochelle Simpson, Judy Lorenz, Dinah McKenzie, Mickey McKenzie, William Lambert
Third Row: Dennis Smith, Jim Dermon, Bertha Moses, Nancy Morris, Danny Hensley
Forth Row: Alicia Garcia, David Garcia, Debbie Lokey, Margie Graham, Troy Graham, Desai Virendra Not in Picture: Bill Hornbeak

On July 1st, 22 Deaf Seniors left by bus to head to Brookshire to visit Brookwood Community. Three more Seniors arrived there to join us. This is a God-centered educational, residential, and entrepreneurial community for adults with functional disabilities. The campus consists of: Eight group homes, two single-family staff homes, a residential Inn, health and dental clinic, Worship Center, enterprise building, activities and administration building, 47 greenhouses, Gift and Garden Center and the Café at Brookwood, and several other support buildings. We went into the Worship Center where there were many stained glass pictures in the windows. Then, we headed to another building where crafts are made. This is where these disability adults work together to make various pottery items. These items are really beautiful, and are sold in the Gift Shop. Anyone can go to the Gift Shop to buy gifts for those on their list for Birthdays, Christmas, etc. for their families and friends.

We had a delicious lunch at the Café at Brookwood. Anyone can make reservations for lunch there when they want to. That phone number to make reservation is 281-375-2400. The main address is 1752 FM 1489, Brookshire, TX 77423. This Café is open 7 days a week from 11:00 AM till 2:00 PM.

Then, we headed to Katy Heritage Museum which features vintage farming equipment and artifacts from Katy's agricultural and pioneering history. That brought back memories of our youth, too. We learned that the early settlers farmed rice, cotton, and citrus crops. In 1945, the City of Katy was incorporated. Few of us went next door to the Katy Veterans Memorial Museum which is a first-class military exhibit of historical significance encompassing every foreign conflict involving the United States. Then, our final trip was to see the Box Car from a train that transported people and supplies. It was a fun trip enjoyed by all of us.

Written by Nancy Morris

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HDSCF Field Trip—San Marcos, TX

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

- Dick's Classic Garage Car Museum
 - Gristmill River Restaurant or Cantina Del Rio
- Lunch on Your Own
- La Vista Independent Living Community

Cost: \$8.00

Please meet at 8:00 AM

Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church
9920 Long Point Rd, Houston, TX

Bus leaves at 8:30 AM



Contact Person:

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Gertie Sessions: VP 281-249-5284



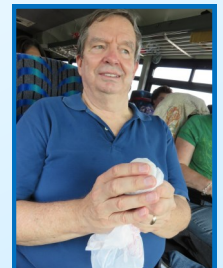
Red Hat Ladies

The lovely group of Red Hat ladies made Christmas ornaments for the 2017 Deaf Senior of America fundraiser.

These ladies are:

- 1st Row: Judy Becker, Yvonne Butler, Debbie Sonnier, Rochelle Simpson
2nd Row: Cathy Simerka, Michelle Smith, Luci Ryan, Lulu Radwanski
3rd Row: Dana Glasscock, Sheila Kennedy, Judy Lorenz, Jo Ann Adkins

Thanks to Judy L. and Luci for leading the workshop.



There is a beautiful garden outside at Brookwood Community where our senior citizen group went. Jim went out to take a look after lunch at the cafe. One of the plants caught Jim's eye. He was curious and he touched the flower.

Whoa! He felt a sting! There was a bright green caterpillar under the leaf. The nurse took care of Jim's fingers and gave him an ice pack to relieve the pain.

To find out about that caterpillar, we learned that it is **lo moth larva**. It is actually considered a pest - it eats the leaves of hundreds of plant species, and has venomous spikes that can be quite **painful** when handled. Thanks to Bill for taking this bug picture.

Highlight Field Trip

1st Stop



Carlos Macias, a deaf staffer, gave us a short tour where the adults with special needs made their crafts. He is a design studio artist.

Carlos gave Bertha a welcome hug.



Wow! Very nice café...wonderful food...wonderful staff workers. The café opens from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm every-day.



Jan bought two hot pads that the adults with special needs made from the gift shop.



Many thanks to Ann Hornbeak for interpreting.

2nd Stop



Some of us, who grew up in a farm, talked about our wonderful memory of our farm life and the farm machinery — tractors, milk-cream separator, chicken cage, flat-bed trucks and many more.

3rd Stop





Picnic—July 8th



What a great day for 55 oldies to have an old fashioned picnic (almost)! Great hamburgers and hot dogs...lots of salads and goodies.

We had homemade ice cream for dessert! Many thanks to Zane Owens, Nancy Morris and Jim Dermon for cool dessert.



Winners

Mickey McKenzie
Cornhole Game

Deborah Daniels
Best Fourth of July Hat



Fourth of July Hat Contest

Sitting: Luci Ryan

Front Row: Lavern Fair, Judy Lorenz, Deborah Daniels,
Nancy Owens, Crystal Pennington

Back Row: Yvonne Butler, Jan Dermon

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Annoucement!!!

HDSCFL is thrilled to announce upcoming Deaf Seniors of America Conference which will be held at Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston—April 2-9, 2017. This 14th biennial conference coincides as being 25-year anniversary since 1992. The weeklong program will have preconference tours, workshops, events, activities and exhibits. The forms (Registration Form and Easy Payment Registration Form) are enclosed. Don't forget to find time to fill out the right form and send it with your payment. More details will follow, please do visit our website — www.dsa2017houston.org — which will be launched on August 23, 2015. See you in Houston!



Registration Form

14th Biennial Deaf Seniors of America

Houston, TX

April 2—9, 2017



www.dsa2017houston.org

Registration Policy and Information

NOTE: Please read the following policy and information carefully before signing.

PAYMENTS: You can register using a personal check, cashier's check or money order. Make checks payable to HDSCLF/DSA 2017 Houston. After February 02, 2017, no personal checks will be accepted.

DO NOT SEND CASH BY MAIL.

CONFIRMATION: A confirmation letter with ID number assigned to you will be emailed or mailed after payments are received. Please indicate your ID number in all correspondence with Registration Coordinator. Driver's license or personal identification card is required to be presented at the conference registration booth.

RETURNED (BOUNCED) CHECKS: Service fee is \$30.00. Your registration will be processed after payment of the service fee and paid check.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS DUE TO HOSPITALIZATION OR DEATH: Registration form is non-refundable after February 02, 2017. There are two exceptions— hospitalization or death. In case of hospitalization after February 02, 2017, we will deduct 50% of your paid registration form and \$20 DSA membership dues for 2017-2019. We require an appropriate medical document. If you cancel before February 02, 2017 due to doctor's order, the regular cancellation refund formula as shown below will be used. In the event of registrant's death, we will refund registration in full to the family after we receive a copy of death certificate or an obituary notice. We must receive all requests for refund no later than May 09, 2017.

NON-TRANSFERABLE: Registration form is not transferable. If it is sold or exchanged by any unauthorized parties prior to or during the conference, it will not be honored.

LOST BADGES/WRISTBANDS: Processing fee for lost badges and/or wristbands is \$150. This fee is not refundable if found.

MAILING ADDRESS/E-MAIL ADDRESS/VIDEOPHONE NUMBER/TEXT NUMBER: If there are any changes to your contact address or numbers, please notify the Registration Coordinator as soon as possible.

Cancellation Refund Formula

VALUE PRICE	BEFORE 03/02/16	BEFORE 09/02/16	BEFORE 02/02/17	AFTER 02/02/17
\$250	\$200	\$143	\$105	NO REFUND
\$300	\$250	\$175	\$130	NO REFUND
\$350	\$300	\$208	\$155	NO REFUND
\$400				NO REFUND

Note: The \$20 DSA membership dues for 2017-2019 are not part of your refund.

For more information about registration, contact:

Yvonne Butler
DSA2017Reg@gmail.com

Conference Registration Includes:

- Registration fee
- DSA Membership dues for 2017-2019
- Pre-conference information and updates
- Program book
- Admission to exhibits, workshops, meetings, reception and banquet (gala) with entertainment
- Daily conference newsletters

Date	Check/MO
Amount paid must match date amount due.	
August 23, 2015 — December 31, 2015	\$250
January 1, 2016 — June 30, 2016	\$300
July 1, 2016 — December 31, 2016	\$350
January 1, 2017 — AT DOOR	\$400

Please print clearly. (one form per person)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

VP: _____ Text Number: _____

Payment Method and Checkout:

- Check Cashier's Check Money Order
(Payable to HDSCLF/DSA 2017 Houston)

By signature, Registrant agrees to abide by Conference rules/regulations, and agrees HDSCLF & DSA are not responsible for safekeeping of, damage to, or loss of any personal property under control of Registrant. Registrant hereby agrees to hold harmless the HDSCLF and DSA, their contractors, their employees/volunteers from all cost, injury & damage incurred by any of the above, and from any other injury or damage to any person or property, any of which is caused by an activity, condition or event arising out of the performance, preparation for performance or nonperformance of any provision of this agreement by Houston Deaf Senior Citizens Love Fund, Inc. (HDSCLF) and Deaf Seniors of America, Inc. (DSA).

I have read and understand the terms outlined on this form.

Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

I give DSA 2017 Houston conference committee permission to list my name on the website. Yes No

Mail this form with payment to HDSCLF/DSA 2017 Houston:

1475 West Gray St., Mailbox #4
Houston, TX 77019-4926



Registration Form — Easy Payment Plan

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Easy Payment Plan \$250

1st Payment Due August 31, 2015	\$50	Balance \$200
2nd Payment Due September 30, 2015	\$50	Balance \$150
3rd Payment due October 30, 2015	\$50	Balance \$100
4th Payment Due November 30, 2015	\$50	Balance \$50
5th Payment Due December 31, 2015	\$50	Balance \$0

Late payments:

You are responsible to make scheduled payments by the registration payment plan deadlines. If you fail to pay before the deadline (December 31, 2015), there will be additional of **\$50** to increase the registration cost—\$300.

For more information, contact at DSA2017EasyPay@gmail.com.

Please print clearly. (one form per person)

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
E-Mail Address:		
VP:	Text Number:	

Payment Method and Checkout:

- Check Cashier's Check Money Order
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Renewals

Susan Atila, Joe/Linda Bosley, Bill Collins Sr, Wally Mallay, Christine McKinnon, Allice Miller, Rochelle Simpson, Patsy Smith, William Turnham, Barbara Warren, Jane Wood

New Subscribers

Betty Henderson, Joan Montfort

In Memory of Amelia V Guerra

Don/Helen Bryan, Larry/Yvonne Butler, Zelma/Gus Curbello, Fred/Helen Dooley, Caroline Dooley, Carel Vernon Dunaway, Betty Henderson, Meghan/Brendan McAlpine, Fred/Cathy Simerka, Patricia Skipper, Sharon Till, Willie/Darrell Wickman, Houston Red Hat Society

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

Thanks again for your kindness.



Jim Dermon
HDSCFLF Treasurer

Annual Field Trip—October 7 & 8, 2015



Kingsville, TX

- King Ranch Tour
- BBQ Lunch
- Museum & King Ranch Saddle Shop
- Dinner on Your Own
- One Night Hotel



Corpus Christi, TX

- USS Lexington Museum
- Selena Museum
- Selena Grave
- Lunch on Your Own

Cost of Tours and Hotel:

- \$100.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy
- \$160 Per Person, Single Occupancy
- Lay Away Available until September

**Make a check/
money order
payable to "HDSCFLF"**

Mail check to: HDSCFLF
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Must put
"Annual Field Trip"
on memo line.

Contact Person:

Gertie Sessions VP 281-249-5284

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Receipt # _____	# _____	# _____	# _____

Community Events

Tuesday, August 4

HDSCLF Field Trip

See page 2

Friday, August 7

ASL Social

Deerbrook Mall at Food Court

20131 Highway 5 North

Humble, TX 77338

4 pm—9 pm

Wednesday, August 12

HDSCLF Social

Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church

9920 Long Point

Houston, TX 77055

9:00 am—2:00 pm

Friday, August 14

Deaf/ASL Social—Ft. Bend

Chick-fil-A

20010 Southwest Freeway

Sugar Land, TX 77479

5:00 pm—9:00 pm

Friday, August 21

Baybrook Mall Silent Dinner

Baybrook Mall—Food Court

500 Baybrook Mall

Friendswood, TX 77546

6:30 pm—9:00 pm

Mark Your Calendar For Field Trips

October 23rd (Friday)

November 18th (Wednesday)

December 3rd (Thursday)

More Info on Next Issue



August 12, 2015—10:00 AM

Darla Connor, Deaf Services Specialist, will be speaking about Houston Center for Independent Living and what kind of services they provide at Woodhaven.

HDSCLF Field Trip—Lufkin, TX—Tentative

Friday, September 11, 2015



- Texas Forestry Museum
- Museum of East Texas
- Atkinson Candy Company
Lunch on Your Own

Please meet at 8:00 AM

Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church
9920 Long Point Rd, Houston, TX

Bus leaves at 8:30 AM

Cost: \$6.00

Contact Person:

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Gertie Sessions: VP 281-249-5284**

Happy July Birthday!



**Front Row: Lynwood Davis, William Lambert, Audrey Leger, Nancy Owens
Back Row: Troy Graham, Nancy Morris, Yvonne Bulter**

Happy August Birthday!

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4 Tommy Langham | 19 James Fair |
| 4 Judy Lorenz | 19 Jim Quinn |
| 7 Jacqueline Kilpatrick | 19 Dorothy Thomas |
| 8 Doris Y Adams | 23 Doina Lanham |
| 8 Christine McKinnon | 24 Danny Hensley |
| 12 Lanier Page | 28 Brian Kilpatrick |

Happy

August Anniversary

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| 10 Jim & Jan Dermon |
| 1968 |
| 10 Larry & Dana Glasscock |
| 1968 |
| 19 Tommy & Jenice Wells |
| 1961 |
| 22 Mike & Cynthia Clifton |
| 1973 |
| 28 Dennis & Linda Smith |
| 1969 |
| 29 Brian & Jacqueline Kilpatrick |
| 1975 |

Send some news, an announcement (newborn baby, birthday, anniversary, obituary), and color photos to me before or on **15th day of each month**. Thanks!

Jan Dermon, Editor of HDSCLF Newsletter

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