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**Hurricane Harvey** was the first major hurricane to make landfall in the United States since Wilma in 2005, ending a record 12-year drought in which no major hurricanes made landfall in the country. In a four-day period, many areas received more than 40 inches of rain as the system meandered over eastern Texas and adjacent waters, causing catastrophic flooding. With peak accumulations of 51.88 in, Harvey is the wettest tropical cyclone on record in the contiguous United States. The resulting floods inundated hundreds of thousands of homes, displaced

more than 30,000 people, and prompted more than 17,000 rescues.

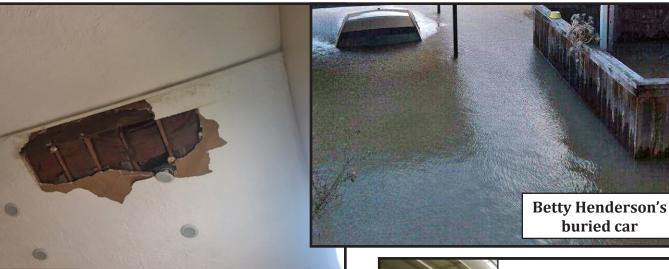
The eighth named storm, third hurricane, and the first major hurricane of the 2017 Atlantic hurricane season, Harvey developed from a tropical wave to the east of the Lesser Antilles, reaching tropical storm status on August 17. The storm crossed through the Windward Islands on the following day, passing just south of Barbados and later near Saint Vincent. Upon entering the Caribbean Sea, Harvey began to weaken due to moderate wind shear and degenerated into a tropical wave north of Colombia early on August 19. The remnants were monitored for regeneration as it continued west-northwestward across the Caribbean and the Yucatán Peninsula, before redeveloping over the Bay of Campeche on August 23. Harvey then began to rapidly intensify



on August 24, regaining tropical storm status and becoming a hurricane later that day. While the storm moved generally northwest, Harvey's intensification phase stalled slightly overnight from August 24–25; however, Harvey soon resumed strengthening and quickly became a major hurricane and attained Category 4 intensity later that day. Hours later, Harvey made landfall near Rockport, Texas, at peak intensity.



Harvey caused at least 71 confirmed deaths; 1 in Guyana, and 70 in the United States. Catastrophic inland flooding is ongoing in the Greater Houston metropolitan area. FEMA director Brock Long called Harvey the worst disaster in Texas history, and expected the recovery to take many years. Economic losses are preliminarily estimated at between \$70 to \$200 billion, with a large portion of the losses sustained by uninsured homeowners.



Damaged Roof Don Hahn's house





Hurricane Harvey August 2017

An elderly woman's legs disappeared under waist-deep water from Hurricane Harvey as the storm's flooding flowed into the La Vita Bella Nursing Home on Sunday in Dickinson, TX.

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## DEAF HOUSTON DISASTER RELIEF FUND

In the wake of recent Hurricane Harvey, HDSCLF has launched charity fund drive. This fund will provide relief to survivors in the form of emergency supplies like food, water, and medicine in addition to longer-term recovery assistance to help residents recover and rebuild. All donations to this fund will exclusively support relief and recovery efforts such as hurricane, tornado, flood, fire, and explosion.

All donations to this fund will support recovery and relief for Deaf, Deaf/Blind, Hard of Hearing and Latedeafened survivors living in the following Texas counties – Harris, Ft. Bend, Galveston, Montgomery, Brazoria, Waller, Liberty, and Chambers.

HDSCLF will post reports about how funds have been used and will email these reports to donors. Also, letter of appreciation to every donor for tax purposes.



Don Hahn, Judy Becker, Josh Bruffey, Jim Dermon and Patsy Walker Judy presented \$300 check from HDSCLF to support Hurricane Harvey victims at Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church.





## **Spooky Ghost Cupcakes**

Prep	Total	Servings
60 min.	1 hr. 50 min.	24

## Ingredients

1 box *Betty Crocker™ SuperMoist™* chocolate fudge cake mix

Water, vegetable oil and eggs called for on cake mix box

- 2 containers *Betty Crocker*<sup>™</sup> Rich & Creamy vanilla frosting
- 1/2 cup *Betty Crocker*<sup>™</sup> Decors candy sprinkles or colored sugar
- 1 package (0.88 oz) *Betty Crocker*<sup>™</sup> Candy Shop candy eyeballs

## Steps

- Heat oven to 375°F (350°F for dark or nonstick pans). Place paper baking cup in each of 24 regular-size muffin cups. Make and bake cake mix as directed on box for 24 cupcakes. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.
- 2. Frost cupcakes a few at a time using one container frosting. Immediately sprinkle cupcakes with decors.
- 3. Place contents of the second container of frosting in the quart-size resealable plastic freezer bag. Cut small tip from corner of bag. Squeeze frosting onto cupcakes in mound shapes of various sizes.
- 4. Decorate as desired using candy eyeballs on frosting mounds.



## Happy Birthday!

- 03 Jo Ann Adkins
- 08 Lavern Fair
- 20 Robert Purvis
- 22 Elias Rodriquez
- 26 Doris Williams
- 28 Joe Radwanski

HDSCLF Events				
Wed., October 11	Spooky Halloween @ MMSC	9:00 AM		
Wed., November 08	Thanksgiving Potluck @ MMSC	9:00 AM		
HDSCLF Field Trips				
Sat., November 04	Nacogdoches Historical Tours	6:00 AM		
Sat., December 09	Herman Zoo Lights	TBA		
HDSCLF Annual Trip				

Tues-Thurs, Oct. 3-5 Oklahoma City & Dallas



Photograph by Jan Dermon



"Finished", he said? Not yet, he's done with planning events, trips, and workshops for full year – 2018. Check back soon.





Cathy Simerka & Alicia Garcia volunteered serving the sandwiches.

Thanks to the refreshment donors (Dana Glasscock, Jan Dermon, Nancy Morris, Larry Butler, Virendra Desai, William Lambert, Gertrude Sessions, Lavern Fair, Dennis Smith, Paula Szablowski, Don Hahn, Lee Morgan, Delma Long, Cathy Simerka & Patsy Walker).

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

Contact: Editor of HDSCLF Tidbits; Email: hdsclf8web@gmail.com





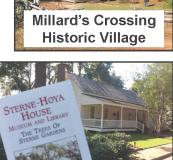
## POSITIVE INTERACTION PROGRAM AT MMSC?

Would you like to have informative presentations conducted by Houston Police Department at MMSC?

If so, can 45 or more of you prove them by attending on the 4th Wednesday at 10 am starting in 2018? Presentation every month or every three months? Officer James Sobota will always make time to arrange. If favor, call Don Hahn at 832.413.6183 immediately.











Meet 6:00 am at Woohaven Baptist Deaf Church 9920 Long Point Rd, Houston Bus leaves at 6:30 am

Reserve: Call Don @ (832) 413-6183 Pay: \$15 per person by Oct. 11th November 4, 2017 Saturday

## Judy's Great-Time Vacation with her Oklahoma friends to South Dakota



- June 18 During bus ride, we had lot of raffle drawings. We had picnic at the rest area and then we arrived at the hotel in Nebraska for overnight.
- June 19 Visited Corn Palace established in 1892.
- June 19-22 Stayed at Deadwood Gulch Resort.
- June 20 Guided tour of Deadwood; High Plains Western Heritage Center: Five-State Regional Museum honoring old west pioneers and American Indian of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Wyoming & Montana.
- June 21 Lincoln Borglum Historical Center; Mount Rushmore National Memorial; Custard State Park saw Buffalo, Big horn Sheep, Antelope, Deer, Elk, Coyote, Prairie Dogs; Chuckwagon Supper Show in Fort Hays.
- June 22 Crazy Horse Memorial, Orientation Center, Museum, Cultural Center; Hill City for lunch/shop; Rapids City-Journey Museum - 7 acres of gardens - a journey through the black hills; Mount Rushmore Black Hills Gold-Jewelry factory tour; Box Elder Events dinner.
- June 23 Visited Wall Drug.
- June 24 Bus on way home with lot of games and drawing prizes.
- June 25 After I spent night with girlfriend, I drove back home.



# Halloween Word Search





BAT	HALLOWEEN
BOO	PUMPKIN
CANDY	SPOOKY
CAT	TREAT
COSTUME	TRICK
GHOST	WITCH

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#### **Renewals:**

Larry Butler, Jerry Capell, Beverly Duncan, David/Alicia Garcia, Delma Long, Nancy Morris, Mary Ann Ryba, Weldon Seely

#### **Donations:**

Don A Duncan (*Beverly Duncan*) Troy/Margie Graham (*Nancy Morris*) Tommy/Mary Porocarello (*Nancy Morris*)

On the behalf of HDSCLF 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 HDSCLF Treasurer



Tuesday, October 31, 2017

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



Judy Becker



Jim Dermon

## Don Hahn

Patsy Walker

## HDSCLF MEETING/SOCIAL

 Metropolitan Multi-Service Ctr. 1475 W. Gray St. Houston, TX 77019

HDSCLF meeting/event/social is held on second Wednesday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

#### Head Committee Chairs:

Greeter – Robert Yost Event Planner – Vacant Luncheon/Prizes – Patsy Walker Refreshment – Doris Williams Travel – Don Hahn/Gertrude Sessions Subscription – Jim Dermon Tidbits & Website – Judy Becker

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