HOUSTON DEAF SENIOR CITIZEN NEWSLETTER

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SENIOR CITIZENS FIELD TRIP IN WIMBERLEY, TEXAS



Twenty-one seniors went to Wimberley, TX on October 7th. We stopped at Wimberley Glass Works. We had the privilege of watching 2 people make a vase out of glass. It was an entertaining learning experience. They create hand blown glass lighting, home décor, and gifts. Then, we headed to Cypress Creek Café as we had reservations there. The food was good. Several of us went shopping at the shops lined up there. Even did some Christmas shopping. Smiling......After stopping at Dairy Queen for our "dessert", we headed home. It was an eniovable trip!

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME



Don't forget to move your clocks and watches back by 1 hour on November 5th. The time changes on November 6th. It's that time again! Be sure to check to change batteries in your battery operated clocks, fire alarms, etc.





Birthday for November

3rd - Bill Schofner

13th - Gene Harkness Bertha Moses

14th - Sherry Fewell

19th - Linda Smith

29th - Orie Dorsey Darwin Hill



Wedding Anniversary in November

15th - Larry and Yvonne Butler (1969)

18th - Larry and Sherry Fewell (1978)

21st - Bubba and Judy Lorenz (1973)

Calendar of Events

<u>Friday, November 4th:</u> ASL Social will meet at Jax Grill, 1613 Shepherd Dr., Houston, TX 77007 from 4:00 to 9:00 PM. Come and meet new people that are learning Sign Language or meet your friends there.

Wednesday, November 9th: Houston Deaf Senior Citizens Love Fund will have their Thanksgiving Luncheon at 11:00 AM till 1:00 PM.



Purple is providing the Turkey and Ham. Everyone is invited to bring the side dishes. We need Dressing, Gravy, Cranberry, Green Beans casserole, Candied yams, Fruit

Salad, Rolls, Cornbread, butter, and cold drinks. Please contact Larry Fewell at 866-970-8115 to let him know what you plan to bring. Thanks so much!

Thursday, November 10th: Houston Deaf Senior Citizens will take a field trip to Houston

Natural & Science Museum to view the Egyptian Exhibits. Everyone that signed up needs to be at Woodhaven Baptist Church for the Deaf, 9920 Long Point Rd., Houston, TX at 8:30 AM as the bus leaves at 9:00 AM. Everyone will eat lunch at Café Express in the Museum. After that, more viewing in the Museum of other displays.



Friday, November 18th: Deaf Chat Coffee will meet at Starbucks Coffee, 13301 FM 1960 Rd. W, Houston, TX from 7:00 till 11:00 PM. This is a gettogether for fun! For more information, contact Jason Sims at Jason.d.sims@gmail.com.

Thursday, November 24th: HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Have a wonderful time with families and friends. Be grateful for all the Blessings that you have. Give thanks!

NEWS

DID YOU KNOW? (BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW THESE THINGS!)

Submitted by Marjorie Hall

Many, many, many Interesting facts for those who think they know everything:

- * If you are right handed, you will tend to chew your food on the right side of your mouth. If you are left-handed, you will tend to chew your food on the left side of your mouth.
- * To make half a kilo of honey, bees must collect nectar from over 2 million individual flowers.
- * Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.
- * Astronauts can't belch there is no gravity to separate liquid from gas in their stomachs.
- * The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows. In the Renaissance era, it was fashion to shave them off!
- * Because of the speed at which Earth moves around the Sun, it is impossible for a solar eclipse to last more than 7 minutes and 58 seconds.
- * Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if it's buried in the ground for thousands of years.
- * Your tongue is the only muscle in your body that is attached at only one end.
- * If you stop getting thirsty, you need to drink more water. When a human body is dehydrated, its thirst mechanism shuts off.
- * Kites were used in the American Civil War to deliver letters and newspapers.
- * The song, Auld Lang Syne, is sung at the stroke of midnight in almost every English-speaking country in the world to bring in the New Year.
- * Drinking water after eating reduces the acid in your mouth by 61 percent.
- * Airports at higher altitudes require a longer airstrip due to lower air density.
- * The tooth is the only part of the human body that cannot heal itself.
- * Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.
- * Caffeine increases the power of aspirin and other pain killers, that is why it is found in some medicines.
- * When a person dies, hearing is the last sense to go. The first sense lost is sight.
- * The moon moves about two inches away from the Earth each year.
- * Soldiers do not march in step when going across bridges because they could set up a vibration which could be sufficient to knock the bridge down.

Email from Patsy Walker

I know it is late, but I want to tell you all who donated to Love Fund in memory of my Dad, Early R. McVey that I appreciated it very much.



I went on a Mediterranean cruise for 12 days in May and it was a nice trip. I enjoyed it very much as I had a chance to meet new friends. About 47 deaf people were on the

cruise. We flew to Barcelona, Spain to stay 1 night. Then, we went on cruise next day to Monaco where Princess Grace lived. Her palace was beautiful. Then, we headed to Pisa, Florence, Rome, Croatia, Venice, and Sicily. From Venice, we rode boat taxi to Island Maurno to watch glass blowing. That was very interesting and awesome. Then, we went to Island Bruno where that was interesting. I really enjoyed the



I flew to Newport News, VA with Robert's son, Tim and family to see new great granddaughter. She is precious and her name is Zoe Dawn Walker. We stayed 5 days and took a tour of the Navy Base in

Norfolk, VA. It was big and Tim's son is in the Navy there. We took a tour in Hampton which is a nice town. Then, we went to Virginia Air and Space Center. It was interesting as it was about many different planes during war time. Larry and Sherry Fewell are the Great Grandparents, too.

HEALTH MESSAGE:

Submitted by Amanda Hensley

- 1. If walking/cycling is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.
- 2. A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water and is fat.
- 3. A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years.



4. A tortoise doesn't run, does nothing ...yet lives for 450 years.

AND YOU TELL ME TO EXERCISE!
I'm retired, go around

me!!

Are You Ready for the DeafNation World Expo 2012?

The DeafNation World Expo is back, and this time it's bigger and better than ever! The largest event for the deaf on the planet is returning to Las Vegas. The world-class Mandalay Bay Resort is the perfect venue to bring together an even larger crowd than the 23,400 that came in 2010. Be sure to book your room ASAP since special rates are nearly sold out. The dates are July 29th through August 1st, 2012. Have you nominated someone for the DeafNation World Expo Awards? With numerous categories recognizing people. artists. technology. companies, we are celebrating the best of the best in the Deaf community. Nominate deserving people at DeafNation.com/DNWE/Awards! The link http://deafnation.com/dnwe/

Note received from Sherry Vaught

My mother, Louise Nantz, enjoyed reading Houston Newsletter each and every month. She passed away peacefully. She will be missed dearly. Please continue to send the newsletter to me as we will enjoy reading them also. Have a blessed day to all of you. Thank you, Sherry Vaught

Note from Faye Sims

Your kind expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged by the family of Rubin & Faye Sims. Thank you, Houston Deaf Senior Citizens, for sympathy card and nice donations. Sincerely, Faye

1st Annual Individual Bass Tournament at Lake Conroe

Submitted by Houston Bass Club of the Deaf

This tournament will be held on February 25, 2012. Tournament entry fee will be \$45. You can make reservations at April Plaza Marina & Motel, 17742 Highway 105 West, Montgomery, TX 77356 by calling 936-448-7800. Make plans to attend. Please contact Patrick Stuckey at by Text at 4092912685 or Juan Carrizales by Text at 2544132776 for more information.

Text Message received from Cynthia Stevens

I'm retiring from NASA after 24 years. My coworkers are throwing me a retirement luncheon on October 28th. Then, on November 8th, I' have rotator cuff surgery on my left shoulder. Your prayers are appreciated at this time. Thanks!

Houston Bass Club of the Deaf

Submitted by Larry Fewell and Bubba Lorenz

The Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 10th. More information will follow in the next Newsletter. Please post this date on your Calendar and plan to attend as it will be fun. Thanks!



Our Yearly Dementia Test-- only 4 questions!!!

Submitted by Nancy Morris

It's that time of year for us to take our annual senior citizen test.

Exercise of the brain is as important as exercise of the muscles. As we grow older, it's important to keep mentally alert. If you don't use it, you lose it!

Below is a very private way to gauge how your memory compares to the last test. Some may think it is too easy but the ones with memory problems may have difficulty.

Take the test presented here to determine if you're losing it or not. The answers will be in the Editor's Message so you don't see the answers until you've made your answer. OK, relax, clear your mind and begin.

- 1. What do you put in a toaster?
- 2. Say 'silk' five times. Now spell 'silk.' What do cows drink?
- 3. If a red house is made from red bricks and a blue house is made from blue bricks and a pink house is made from pink bricks and a black house is made from black bricks, what is a greenhouse made from?
- 4. Without using a calculator You are driving a bus from London to Milford Haven in Wales. In London, 17 people get on the bus. In Reading, 6 people get off the bus and 9 people get on. In Swindon, 2 people

get off and 4 get on. In Cardiff, 11 people get off and 16 people get on. In Swansea, 3 people get off and 5 people get on. In Carmathen, 6 people get off and 3 get on. You then arrive at Milford Haven. Without looking at the answer, how old is the bus driver?



PS: 95% of people fail most of the questions!!

Obituary

Louise Lee Nantz, 93, passed away September 16, 2011 in Tyler, TX. Mrs. Nantz was born September 9, 1918 in Gainesville, TX and was resident of Tyler for many years. She was a member of the Baptist Church. Survivors include 2 sons, Jerry Nantz of Denison and Larry & wife Terry Nantz of Bryson; 2 daughters, Sherry & Mike Vaught and Cherry Castanoda of Tyler, TX; 3 brothers, Price Fultz, James Fultz, and Gordon Fultz; 2 sisters, Wanda Norvell and Peggy Tabler; 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren.



Yummy!!! Yummy!!! Yummy!!!

Editor's Message



It's good to see Fall weather coming in which means cooler weather! Hooray! Enjoy the change and have a great November time. Spend time with your families for Thanksgiving - a time to be thankful for everything you have.

Answers are as followed: (1) Answer: 'bread.' If you said 'toast,' give up now and do something else. Try not to hurt yourself. If you said "bread," go to Question 2.

- (2) Answer: Cows drink water. If you said 'milk,' don't attempt the next question. Your brain is overstressed and may even overheat. Content yourself with reading more appropriate literature such as Auto World. However, if you said 'water', proceed to question 3.
- (3) Answer: Greenhouses are made from glass. If you said 'green bricks,' why are you still reading these??? If you said 'glass,' go on to Question 4.
- (4) Answer: Oh, for crying out loud! Don't you remember your own age? It was YOU driving the bus!!

ATTENTION: I'm resigning as Editor of this Newsletter effective January 1st, 2012. If you are interested in taking over, please notify President Don Hahn or Treasurer Audrey Leger.

Also, I need all news by November 11th for December's newsletter. Please send your news, pictures, recipes, travel experiences, etc. to me at nmorris726@gmail.com by that date.

Nancy Morrís, Editor



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Greg Butler (a gift from Michael & Dinah McKenzie), Jim & Jan Dermon, Zola & Harold Schelp (a gift from Margie Scribner), and James H Brownell (a gift from his sister, Melva J David). Michael & Dinah McKenzie, Margie Scribner, and Melva J David

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Thanks to Sidney Braquet for his generous donation to Newsletter.

Thanks those who donated to Love Fund for their generous support: Ralph Daniels, Lennie Morton, and Robert G Yost.

Thanks to Betty Telfer for her support in donating her ceramic crafts to Audrey Leger to sell for Love Fund. Recently at the garage sale, a few of the crafts were sold & earned \$9.75. Betty, thank you for your support!

Thanks to Purple Communications for their support by providing the luncheon last September and again in November for Thanksgiving dinner. We, Senior Citizens, really appreciated their support.

To all donors, thank you for your thoughtfulness and support to our HDSCLF Love Fund.

Audrey Leger, HDSCLF Treasurer

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