URLs

- http://www.beechasl.net/happyhands/
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Menu

First Course
Clyde’s House Salad
Maryland Cream of Crab Soup

Entrée
Chicken Scaloppine
Pan-Roasted Salmon
Hanger Steak

Lunch will be served with
Iced Tea, Soft Drinks, Coffee, or Hot Tea

Cake will also be served.

In Memory

- Elizabeth Allen 1918-2013
- Jerry Brewer 1932-2014
- Hazel Taylor 1924-2014
- Carol Rosenmund 1937-2014
- Larry Barrett ??-2015
- Jack Otterman 1945-2015
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- Ken Shaffer 1927-2016
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- Billie Ruth Kidwell 1925-2016
- Nell Garrette 1924-2016
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- W. Wade Webb 1937-2008
- Mary McNab 1934-2008
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- Deloris Fischthal 1933-2009
- Conrad Stedrak 1925-2009
- Patricia Stedrak 1930-2010
- Hilda Altizer 1914-2010
- Sylvia Landes 1936-2010
- Mary Alsip 1925-2010
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- Nealie Harris 1920-2011
- Myrtle Harper 1929-2012
- Wave Hambel 1916-2012
- Bonnie Burney 1926-2012
- LeRoy Christian 1927-2012
- Garland M. Robinson, Jr. 1936-2012
- Jill S. Lensbower 1945-2012
- Linda Swafford 1953-2012
- Paul Tester 1930-2012
- Betty Hartman 1941-2012
- Dorothy Flood 1928-2013
- Rachel LaVerne Jenkins 1918-2013
- Theodora Kim Hoon Ing 1946-2013
- Glenda Ennis 1944-2013
- Peggie Parsons 1923-2013

Program

September 21, 2016
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies — Bill Center
Opening Prayer — Don Ames

Lunch

Presentation by:
Eve Christian, Elaine Shaffer,
and Pat Beech

Cake

Closing Prayer — Nancy Rarus

Clyde’s Willow Creek
42920 Broadlands Boulevard
Broadlands, VA 20148
History

Reuben Altizer originated the idea of a club for deaf or hearing impaired seniors before 1976. With Mrs. John Miller Kinsey as interpreter, he approached Fairfax and Arlington counties for support. The first meeting was held at the Wilson Library under the auspices of Fairfax County with 6 members.

In 1976, after reaching a membership of eleven, Mr. Altizer was asked to become president, but declined. Ralph Miller was elected the first president; Laura Pucci, vice president; and Reuben Altizer, secretary/treasurer.

The name, “Happy Hands Club,” was adopted when Ralph Miller suggested that all members talked with their hands and were happy persons. The club moved to Arlington County in 1977, meeting in the old Hannon Hall. Mrs. Anne Gress became supervisor. When Jo Ann Taylor married and moved away, Mrs. Dottie Shilling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Summers, became interpreter and supervisor.

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- Goldie Summers 1908-1994
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- Dorothy Berrios 1925-2003
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- Stephen P. Drake 1931-2005
- Jerry Warner 1934-2005
- Diana Raykovic 1929-2005
- Ruth D. Phillips 1916-2005
- Franklin Willis 1930-2005
- Violet Carricut 1923-2005
- Gladys Thomas 1906-2006
- Bernice Turk 1928-2006
- Jack Wright 1930-2006
- Max Pyles 1933-2006
- Lawrence Dickens 1923-2007
- Neill English 1943-2007
- Walter Bush 1918-2008

April 1995
Walter Bush, Connie Reardon, Hilda Altizer, Wava Hambel, and Howard Smith
In Memory

- Fannie Berry 1898-1981
- Annie Nelson 1903-1982
- Pearla Lewis ?-1982
- Annie Rosemund 1906-1983
- Ted Clemons 1908-1983
- Reuben Altizer 1908-1984
- Ralph Miller 1905-1984
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- Madeline Byers 1906-1986
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- Lucille Antila 1910-1988
- Helen Greenberg 1906-1988
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- Lora Courtney 1914-1989
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- William Grinnell 1908-1989
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- Fred Gene Norman 1910-1990
- Charlie H. Dawson 1920-1990
- Janie Clark 1905-1991
- Gladys Z. Miller 1903-1991
- Harry Schuchman 1906-1992
- Edward Carr 1901-1992
- Estella Fletcher 1901-1992
- Frances Friend 1913-1992

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Donations

- Pat Beech (in memory of Jim Beech)
- Alan & Vicki Hurwitz
- Elaine Shaffer (in memory of Ken Shaffer)
- And many that contributed to the fundraising basket
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- Pat Beech
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Happy Hands Club
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On
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Cherrydale Senior Center
4000 Lorcom Lane
Arlington, Virginia
Honoring Charter Members

Halloween
November 1991

December 1994

Newsletter Staff during 2009-August 2011

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- LeRoy Christian
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LaVerne Jenkins, V. President
Janet Clemons, Secretary
Frances Friend, Treasurer

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Donations

- Pat Beech (in memory of Jim Beech)
- Alan & Vicki Hurwitz
- Elaine Shaffer (in memory of Ken Shaffer)
- And many that contributed to the fundraising basket

Happy Hands
relocated to NVRC on Democracy Lane in Fairfax @ 1994

Happy Hands
relocated to NVRC on Pender Drive in Fairfax @ 2003
In Memory

- Fannie Berry 1898-1981
- Annie Nelson 1903-1982
- Pearla Lewis ?-1982
- Annie Rosemund 1906-1983
- Ted Clemons 1908-1983
- Reuben Altizer 1908-1984
- Ralph Miller 1905-1984
- Thomas Miller 1914-1985
- Hazel Dick 1904-1986
- Madeline Byers 1906-1986
- Theo Dick 1902-1987
- Virginia Holter 1910-1987
- Lucille Antila 1910-1988
- Helen Greenberg 1906-1988
- Katherine Bonvillain 1905-1988
- Lora Courtney 1914-1989
- Retina Rosenmund 1903-1989
- William Grinnell 1908-1989
- Hillary J. Summers, Sr. 1909-1990
- Fred Gene Norman 1910-1990
- Charlie H. Dawson 1920-1990
- Janie Clark 1905-1991
- Gladys Z. Miller 1903-1991
- Harry Schuchman 1906-1992
- Edward Carr 1901-1992
- Estella Fletcher 1901-1992
- Frances Friend 1913-1992

Charter Members

- Hilda Altizer
- Reuben Altizer
- Fannie Berry
- Kitty Bonvillian
- Madeline Byers
- Frances Friend
- Henry Holter
- Pearla Lewis
- Gladys Miller
- Ralph Miller
- Laura Pucci
- Harry Schuchman
History

Reuben Altizer originated the idea of a club for deaf or hearing impaired seniors before 1976. With Mrs. John Miller Kinsey as interpreter, he approached Fairfax and Arlington counties for support. The first meeting was held at the Wilson Library under the auspices of Fairfax County with 6 members.

In 1976, after reaching a membership of eleven, Mr. Altizer was asked to become president, but declined. Ralph Miller was elected the first president; Laura Pucci, vice president; and Reuben Altizer, secretary/treasurer.

The name, “Happy Hands Club,” was adopted when Ralph Miller suggested that all members talked with their hands and were happy persons. The club moved to Arlington County in 1977, meeting in the old Hannon Hall. Mrs. Anne Gress became supervisor. When Jo Ann Taylor married and moved away, Mrs. Dottie Shilling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Summers, became interpreter and supervisor.

April 1995
Walter Bush,
Connie Reardon,
Hilda Altizer,
Wava Hambel,
and Howard Smith

In Memory

- Laura Pucci 1897-1993
- Henry Rosenmund 1905-1994
- Norma Bush 1921-1994
- Goldie Summers 1908-1994
- Frances C. Norman 1914-1996
- Harold V. Taylor 1923-1996
- Edna P. Adler 1915-1999
- Rhulin Thomas 1910-1999
- Robert Allen 1929-2001
- Joseph Teta 1924-2002
- Connie Reardon 1929-2002
- Dorothy Berrios 1925-2003
- Ruth A. Tester 1936-2004
- Andrea Drake 1940-2004
- Stephen P. Drake 1931-2005
- Jerry Warner 1934-2005
- Diana Raykovic 1929-2005
- Ruth D. Phillips 1916-2005
- Franklin Willis 1930-2005
- Violet Carricut 1923-2005
- Gladys Thomas 1906-2006
- Bernice Turk 1928-2006
- Jack Wright 1930-2006
- Max Pyles 1933-2006
- Lawrence Dickens 1923-2007
- Neill English 1943-2007
- Walter Bush 1918-2008
In Memory

- W. Wade Webb 1937-2008
- Mary McNab 1934-2008
- Billy Taylor 1936-2008
- Marshall Garrette 1920-2008
- Dorothy Swafford 1930-2009
- Robert McClelland 1928-2009
- Deloris Fischthal 1933-2009
- Conrad Stedrak 1925-2009
- Patricia Stedrak 1930-2010
- Hilda Altizer 1914-2010
- Sylvia Landes 1936-2010
- Mary Alsip 1925-2010
- Gordon Landes 1935-2010
- Nealie Harris 1920-2011
- Myrtle Harper 1929-2012
- Wave Hambel 1916-2012
- Bonnie Burney 1926-2012
- LeRoy Christian 1927-2012
- Garland M. Robinson, Jr. 1936-2012
- Jill S. Lensbower 1945-2012
- Linda Swafford 1953-2012
- Paul Tester 1930-2012
- Betty Hartman 1941-2012
- Dorothy Flood 1928-2013
- Rachel LaVerne Jenkins 1918-2013
- Theodora Kim Hoon Ing 1946-2013
- Glenda Ennis 1944-2013
- Peggie Parsons 1923-2013

Program

September 21, 2016
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies — Bill Center
Opening Prayer — Don Ames

Lunch

Presentation by:
Eve Christian, Elaine Shaffer,
and Pat Beech

Cake

Closing Prayer — Nancy Rarus

Clyde’s Willow Creek
42920 Broadlands Boulevard
Broadlands, VA 20148
Menu

First Course
Clyde’s House Salad
Maryland Cream of Crab Soup

Entrée
Chicken Scaloppine
Pan-Roasted Salmon
Hanger Steak

Lunch will be served with
Iced Tea, Soft Drinks, Coffee, or Hot Tea

Cake will also be served.

In Memory

- Elizabeth Allen 1918-2013
- Jerry Brewer 1932-2014
- Hazel Taylor 1924-2014
- Carol Rosenmund 1937-2014
- Larry Barrett ??-2015
- Jack Otterman 1945-2015
- Patty Fitzgerald 1938-2015
- Ken Shaffer 1927-2016
- James Beech 1949-2016
- Mary Malzkuhn 1928-2016
- Pamela Finnegan 1955-2016
- Ronnie Blaylock 1942-2016
- Billie Ruth Kidwell 1925-2016
- Nell Garrette 1924-2016
URLs

- http://www.beechasl.net/happyhands/
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1976-2016