



COALITION OF TEXANS WITH DISABILITIES 6th Annual Delegate Assembly October 21st-23rd, 1983 El Paso, Texas

BOARD OUTREACH

by Marshall Mitchell

e, the CTD Board of Directors, realize that CTD's strength, influence and existance depends upon it's individual and organizational members. Without you we are powerless.

Therefore, we are concerned about your ideas, opinions and comments. We also are concerned that you be fully informed of our activities. The Board Outreach Program was developed to better facilitate this ongoing dialog.

However, for this program to be effective, you must participate. Each organizational member and geographical region will have a Board representative in the New Year. The representatives will be listed in the Winter newsletter. Be sure and contact your representative with your concerns.

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HISTORY & PERSPECTIVE



IN FEBRUARY OF 1978, A GROUP OF individuals concerned with the rights of disabled persons and issues affecting disabled Texans met in Houston to discuss methods of addressing mutual concerns. During this initial meeting a commitment evolved to established a statewide coalition of organizations and individuals with disabilities. An interim board of directors was established to draft bylaws and to plan the first delegate assembly.

Disabled leaders from across the state gathered in San Antonio on September 29, 1978 to convene the first delegate assembly of CTD. Proposed bylaws were adopted. A platform listing issues of mutual concern was developed. Priorities and goals of the coalition were set. Officers and board members were elected.

CTD received its charter as non-profit corporation in January 1979. What was previously only a dream became a reality for many Texans with disabilities. With increased involvement and particiapation of organizations and individuals active in the disability rights movement, CTD has not only become firmly established but also nationally recognized as an aggressive and moving force within the public and private arena, providing, in 1983, some 30 VISTA volunteers to 22 of its organizational members.

Cross-disability cooperation is both a goal to be achieved and an instrument of tactical value. The Coalition of Texans with Disabilities is a cross-disability coalition concerned with full access to all civil rights for all citizens. It is with great pride that the CTD organizational members from West Texas welcome CTD delegates to El Paso in 1983, on the sixth anniversary of its constitutional birth.

AGENDA

	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21
2.00- 4.00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting
	Registration/Wine & Cheese party sponsored by Justin Dart
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8:00- 9:00 A.M.	
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	Welcome/Business Meeting
10:30-10:45 A.M.	Break
10:45-12:00 noon	Business Meeting
12:00- 1:30 P.M.	Lunch (Banquet style)-Keynote Address, Presentation of Awards
1:30- 3:00 P.M.	Senatorial Candidates Forum
3:00- 3:30 P.M.	Break
3:30- 5:00 P.M.	Workshop-Advocacy for Change
5:30- 7:30 P.M.	Cocktails and Candidates caucus by W.T.A.H.
	Car/Bus caravan-South of the Border
	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23
8:30-10:00 A.M.	Elections/Business Meeting
10:00-10:15 A.M.	Break
10:15-12:00 noon	Election Results/Business Meeting
12:30- 2:00 P.M.	Luncheon Meeting: New Board of Directors

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FROM THE GOVERNOR



STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701 April 28, 1983

MARK WHITE GOVERNOR

Dear Larry:

Congratulations to you and the delegates to the sixth annual Delegate Assembly of the Congratulations to you and the delegates to the sixth annual Delegate Assembly of the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities. During the past six years, CTD has grown from a very small erganization to a large cross disability organization representing several thousand Texan

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Best wishes for a successful and profitable Delegate Assembly.

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Mark White Governor of Texas

Mr. Larry Johnson, President Coalitions of Texans with Disabilities Box 4709 Austin, Texas 78765

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CTD's 5TH YEAR IN REVIEW

1982-1983 HIGHTLIGHTS:

TO BORROW A PHRASE FROM THE 1960's national movement for Civil Rights: "We are better off today than we were yesterday, but we're not as well off as we will be tomorrow."

We can look back with considerable pride and satisfaction at this fifth year of growth and accomplishment of our Coalition of Texans with Disabilities. There are more member organizations with us today than ever before. Our strength in numbers and in influence is ever-increasing.

Our "Disabled But Able to Vote" campaign, launched early 1982, has caught the interest and enthusiasm of other organizations of disabled consumers throughout the country. And, most recently, it was adopted by the American Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities at its May, 1983 Board of Directors meeting to become a national focus of that organization's efforts during this coming year of national elections.

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On the state level CTD co-sponsored and co-participated in the celebration of Disability Rally Day...a singularly historic event which generated statewide recognition of disability rights and organizational unity. More than 1500 citizens gathered together at the state capitol last February to lend testimony and credibility to our commitment to improve the quality of life opportunities of all disabled Texans.

Significant progress was also made during the 67th State Legislature The Handicapped Parking Law was strengthened and clarified. Polling site accessibility provisions for disabled citizens were greatly improved. A state sales tax exemption was approved on certain equipment used by visually impaired persons.



by Larry Johnson President

A Council on Disability was formally established to advise on the implementing of recommendations set forth by the Governor's Long-Range Planning Committee.

CTD successfully supported a line item in the TRC budget calling for state funding for consumer-directed independent living centers in Texas. In addition, our efforts helped to assure funding for the Texas Commission for the Deaf's Deaf-Blind Pilor Project. And our many letters on behalf of the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf contributed to the successful appeal by that institution to the Texas legislature for a higher level of funding during the next biennium.

A number of notable appointments of disabled Texans to state boards and com-

missions was also achieved. An unexpected bonus, during the Special Session in late June occured when the legislature approved the establishment of a Human Rights Commission to protect the civil rights of those minorities most frequently discriminated against. Among the protected classes which were specifically mentioned was "the handicapped."

We did not accomplish all that we set out to accomplish. And yet we are better off today than we were yesterday, but not as well off as we can be tomorrow.

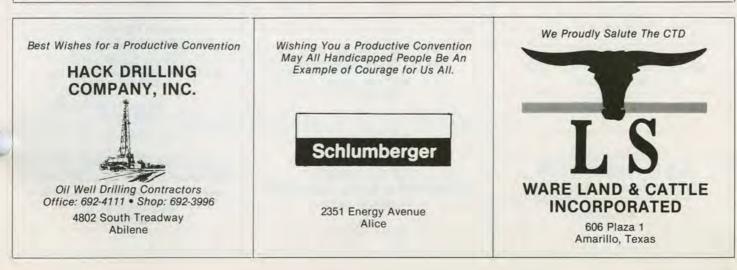
Our Vista Project, to our pleasant surprise, was extended for another full year. This vital network of 30 community volunteers has served CTD well in spreading the word of cross-disability cooperation and communication to all parts of Texas.

In early August CTD went "on line", joining the age of computer technology, when we became the recipients of a generous gift of a T-99 computer from Texas Instruments.

This will be the first year that CTD has held its Delegates Assembly in the western regions of the state. We are deeply proud of and very grateful to the disability advocacy organizations of the host city of El Paso for their invitation as well as for their outstanding efforts during the past year on behalf of the rights of disabled individuals. It is, after all, the awareness and involvement of disabled people at the local level which really counts. The true strength of our organization, the power of our influence, comes from you.

We are the architects of our own future. We can shape the world by our actions and attitudes as individuals and as organizations. We can make a difference in this decade!...the decade of DISABLED CITIZENS.

It is our decade of choice.



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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERS



EFINITION: LOCAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERS ARE DISABLED CONSUMER organizations which:

- 1. Consist primarily of persons with physical and/or mental disabilities and their adherents, and whose board or governing body is comprised primarily of persons with physical and/or mental disabilities and their adherents:
- 2. Are not a chapter of a state organizational member;
- 3. Are non-profit organizations;
- 4. Have purposes similar to the coalition.

The following organizations, listed alphabetically, by city are local CTD organizational members. Local organizational members. Local organizational members each have three votes.

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West Texas Rehabilitation Center 4601 Hartford 🗆 Abilene, Texas 79605 c/o Shelley Smith	
AMARILLO	1
Association of Disabled Individuals in Action (ADIA) Post Office Box 734	Charlen -
Indoor Sports Club 2804 Barbara Lane 🗆 Amarillo, Texas 79109 c/o Genie McDonald	
People's Association for Life Services Post Office Box 447 Amarillo, Texas 79178 c/o Marshall Mitchell	and a strength
ARLINGTON	
Arlington Handicapped Association Post Office Box 3753 Arlington, Texas 76010 c/o Bob Strazellak	
AUSTIN	
ARCIL, Inc. 2818 San Gabriel 🗆 Austin, Texas 78705 c/o Bob Simpson	- Carrier
Might II Post Office Box 5746 🗆 Austin, Texas 78763 c/o Jerry Schlothauer	
BROWNSVILLE	
Access Brownsville for a Liveable Environment (ABLE) Post Office Box 3712 Brownsville, Texas 78520 c/o Penny Metcalf	
CANYON	
West Texas State University (WTSU) Handicapped Student Association Post Office Box 835 (WTSU Station) D Canyon, Texas 79016 c/o Jim Holston	
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Launch, Inc. East Texas State University, Department of Special Education 🗆 Commerce, Texas 75248 c/o Dr. John Moss	A STATE
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Working with You for a Better State for our Disabled		
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NURSING CARE, INC.	EL PASO	-
NURSING CARE, INC.	EPOCH	-
	8929 Viscount #118 🗆 El Paso, Texas 79925 c/o John Weir	
Highland Nursing Center 4822 Lake Road • Wichita Falls 692-2820	West Texas Association for the Handicapped 8929 Viscount #118 🗆 El Paso, Texas 79925 c/o John Weir	
Denver Manor	HOUSTON	_
608 Denver • Wichita Falls 322-7852		-
Stonebrook Care Center 1908 6th Street • Wichita Falls 322-2193	Coalition for Barrier Free Living 6910 Fannin, Suite 120 🗆 Houston, Texas 77030 c/o Jack Emmott	-
Hillcrest Nursing Home	HUNTSVILLE	
Highway 287 East • Henrietta 538-5665	Huntsville Coalition for the Handicapped	
Bowie Convalescent Home	Route 1, Box 315 🗆 Huntsville, Texas 77340	
601 Central • Bowie	c/o Leslie Sue Lorie	_
872-1231	IRVING	_
Plantation Nursing Home 405 West Anderson • Brownwood	Handicapped Association of Texas 3001 North Harvard 🗆 Irving, Texas 75061	
643-3606	c/o Danny Thomas	
	KERRVILLE	
	Hill Country Concerned for the Handicapped	
Sierra Medical Center is Widely	200 South Lemos 🗆 Kerrville, Texas 78028	
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General Acute Care Hospital	LUBBOCK	_
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Prenatal and Care of the Newborn Classes Enterostomal Therapy	North East Association for the Deaf 2803 East Commerce 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78203	-
Acute Hemodialysis Porta-Tel Services for the Hearing Impaired	c/o Mike Swoboda	
	Saint Philips College Handicapped Student Services San Antonio, Texas 78203 c/o Raul T. Hernandez	
Sierra Medical Center	San Antonio Citizens Concerned About Handicapism (SACCH) 2803 East Commerce 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78203 c/o Mike Swoboda	
	San Antonio College Handicapped Services 1517 Main 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78284 c/o Counseling Department	
1625 Medical Center Drive El Paso, Texas 79902	San Antonio Independent Living Services 2803 East Commerce 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78203 c/o Bill Johnson	
	San Antonio Insight, Inc. 310 South St. Mary's Street 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78205	
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STATE ASSOCIATE MEMBERS



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AUSTIN

Texas Association for Children with Learning Disabilities (TACLD) 1011 West 31st Street
Austin, Texas 78705 c/o Sherri Hernandez Texas Association for Autistic Children 1200 Guadalupe Street, Suite 201
Austin, Texas 78701 c/o Michael Twombley Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) 118 East Riverside Drive
Austin, Texas 78704 c/o Max Arrell Texas School for the Deaf 1102 South Congress
Austin, Texas 78704

c/o Dr. Vic Galloway

SAN ANTONIO

Texas Rehabilitation Counseling Association 4545 Centerview Drive, Suite 140 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78228 c/o Sean Connolly

VOTING PROCESS:

CTD PRESIDENTS:

1978 -	1980	Pat Pound
1980 -	1981	Bob Geyer
1981 -	1982	Bobby Simpson
1982 -	1983	Larry Johnson

1983 - 1984 To be elected in El Paso

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Travis County Services for the Deaf 2201 Post Road 🗆 Austin, Texas 78704	
BIG SPRINGS	
Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Avenue C 🗆 Big Springs, Texas 77025 c/o Sam Hill, Vice President	
DALLAS	
Muscular Dystrophy Association 12880 Hillcrest Road, Suite 208 🛛 Dallas, Texas 75230 c/o Patricia Scott	
Spina Bifida Association of Dallas 3825 Eugene Street 🗆 Irving Texas 75062 c/o Mary Tatus	
EL PASO	
El Paso Lighthouse for the Blind 100 Dunne Avenue 🗆 El Paso, Texas 79905 c/o Bill Winkley	
HOUSTON	
Easter Seals Society, Houston Post Office Box 13399 🗆 Houston, Texas 77219 c/o Eve Warren	
Spina Bifida Association of Houston -3003 Yale, Suite 107 🗆 Houston, Texas 77018 c/o Evelyn Welborn	
SAN ANTONIO	
Bexar County Easter Seals 2203 Babcock 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78229 c/o Randal W. Aaron	
Job Lead, Inc. 1222 North Main, Suite 321 🗆 San Antonio 78212 c/o James Clapp, Executive Director	(
Ministry with Disabled Persons 309 North Alamo 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78205 c/o Dr. Bernice Mallory, SHG	
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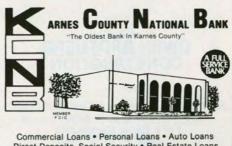
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San Antonio Council for the Advanceme 1300 San Pedro 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78 c/o Jeanne Jacobs		
San Antonio Registry of Interpreters for 117 Bryn Mawr 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 78 c/o Melody Hull		
Southwest Center for the Hearing Impair 6487 Whitby 🗆 San Antonio, Texas 7824 c/o Steve Sligar		
San Antonio Coalition for Children and 339 East Hildebrand 🗆 San Antonio, Text c/o Dr. Marion Sckol		ABC)
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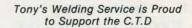
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State organizational regular members and have purposes similar to these of the Coalition. State organizational regular members are:

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Texas Advocates 833 Houston
a Austin, Texas 78756 c/o Texas ARC, Kevin Tracy

Texas Association of the Deaf 2204 Laramie Trail 🗖 Austin, Texas 78745 c/o Julius Seeger

HOUSTON

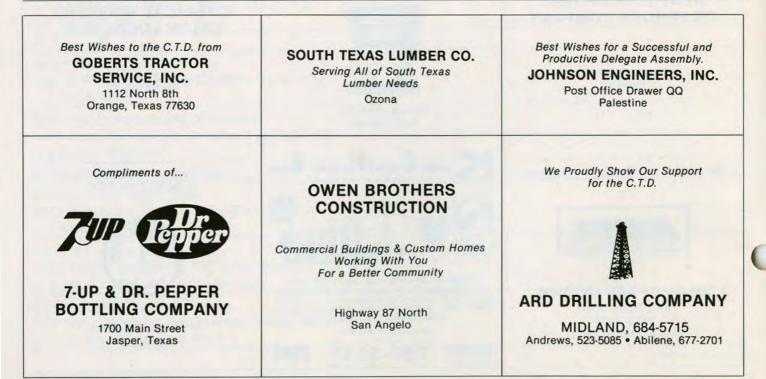
American Council of the Blind 3601 Allean Parkway #446 🗆 Houston, Texas 77019 c/o Margaret Sandefer

Southwest Wheelchair Athletic Association Post Office Box 20803

Houston, Texas 77025 c/o Judy Einbinder and Bob Kafka

Texas Paralyzed Veterans Association VA Medical Center 🗆 128-A Room 101-A 🗆 2002 Holcomb Boulevard 🗆 Houston, Texas 77025 c/o Jerry D. Easley SEAGOVILLE

Deaf-Blind Multi-Handicapped Association 815 High School Drive
 Seagoville, Texas 75159 c/o Patricia J. McCallum





THE CTD/VISTA PROJECT BEGAN in April, 81 with 4 VISTAs and since then has grown to 30 VISTAs. The growth and development of this program has been omnibus, both in terms of increase in number of VISTAs and achievements for CTD.

The VISTA Volunteers serving the local organizations have proven to be a valuable resource to the organization and CTD. VISTA Volunteers have been a key instrument in increasing communication and cooperation among CTD's member organizations. Their hard work and determination has put disabled persons in Texas a step closer to obtaining a more productive and independent life style.

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The VISTA program has given disabled persons the opportunity to utilize their many talents and skills to help other

VISTA Supervisor's Corner...

by Linda Wren Executive Director/VISTA Supervisor

disabled to become more independent and productive. Seventy-five percent (75%) of CTD's 30 VISTA Volunteers are disabled—disabled persons working to benefit disabled persons.

Some specific VISTA activities include peer counseling, fund raising, public awareness and education, sign language; or identifying available resources in the community such as accessible apartments, special transit, and available attendants. Many also attend meetings and hearings. In fact, several VISTAs have played an active role in the planning process for the future of disabled Texans.

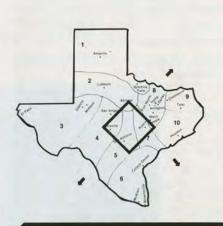
The dedication and determination of CTD's VISTA Volunteers for the past year has brought about many outstanding achievements for disabled persons in Texas. This column is dedicated to the VISTA Volunteers who faithfully served their project; and to Joe Bruch, program Specialist with the funding agent AC-TION, who has been supportive of CTD, and a strong advocate for the cause of disabled persons.



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MEL AARON (4/81—4/82; 6/83—present) Returns to CTD as bookkeeper. Mel also works with ethnic minority groups and in public relations. He will also locate accessible housing in Austin for ARCIL. LINDA WREN (8/81—present) Executive Director of CTD and Vista



(4/15/83—present) Comes to CTD Office from Houston, bringing talents in fundraising and public relations. Bob is working on membership development and community outreach programs.

The Open Door...Austin





DAISY PALMER (11/81—present)

Congratulations to Daisy! Winner of "Golden Hands" Award for 1983-85, presented by Texas Association for the Deaf Daisy interprets at meetings and conferences. She is Co-Editor for TAD Newsletter "The Deaf Texan." Daisy is also active in fundraising and public relations.



SHARON GARDNER (4/82—present)

Sharon formerly assisted at Central Office, represented CTD at public forums, taught independent living skills at ARCIL, and assisted the Chairman of the Governor's Long-Range Planning Group for Texans with Disablilities. She now assists Justin Dart with activities of the National Council on the Handicapped.



CHRISTINE LANGLEY (4/83—present)

Christine teaches social adjustment and basic skills to disabled children to enable them to enter the mainstream of life.

Austin Resource Center for Independent Living...Austin



Texas Association for Children & Adults

with Learning Disabilities...Austin (TALCD)

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CARLI SCALES (10/83—present)

Carli is in charge of public awareness, resource development. Devotes time to fund raising and organizational development.



LIBBY GIDEON (4/82—present) Libby handles all correspondence for TACLD as the assistant to the State Coordinator.

REDGE WESTBROOK (4/83—present)

Redge provides legal assistance; monitors state and federal legislative and regulatory news. He also writes for the ARCIL newsletter.

MARSHA BADEAU (4/83-present)

Marsha joined ARCIL in the spring and does training activities in work adjustment programs.

STEVE MAPLES (4/83—present)

Steve works to match disabled or elderly clients with suitable attendants. He interviews and screens potential attendants.

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Steve Maples on the job.

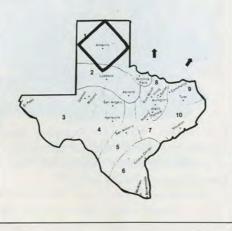
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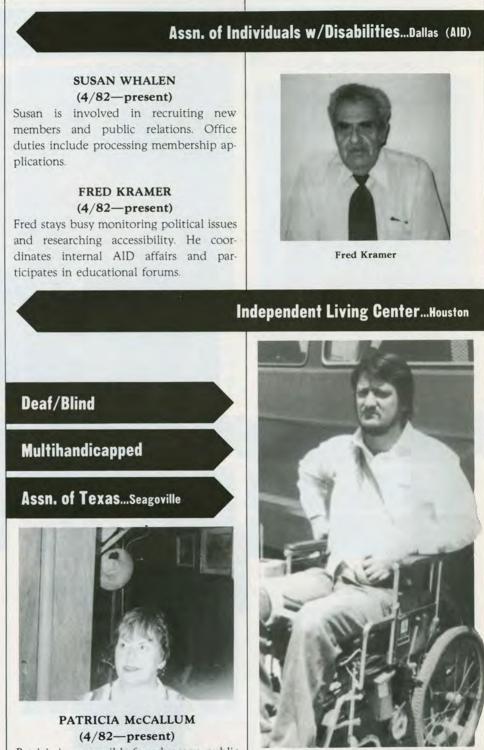
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...Amarillo

JULIE GARNET (4/82—present)

Julie prepares extensive reports for the Texas Commission for the Deaf on interpreter services.





Patricia is responsible for advocacy, public relations, and organizational development. She is Chairperson of the interagency task force for future services for the deaf/blind. Patricia will receive the "Distinguished Parent Award" from the Association for the Severely Handicapped on November 4th in San Francisco.

LEE SANDERS (4/83—present)

Lee handles telephone inquiries, correspondence, and information referral. He is involved in public relations and does client screening for the center.



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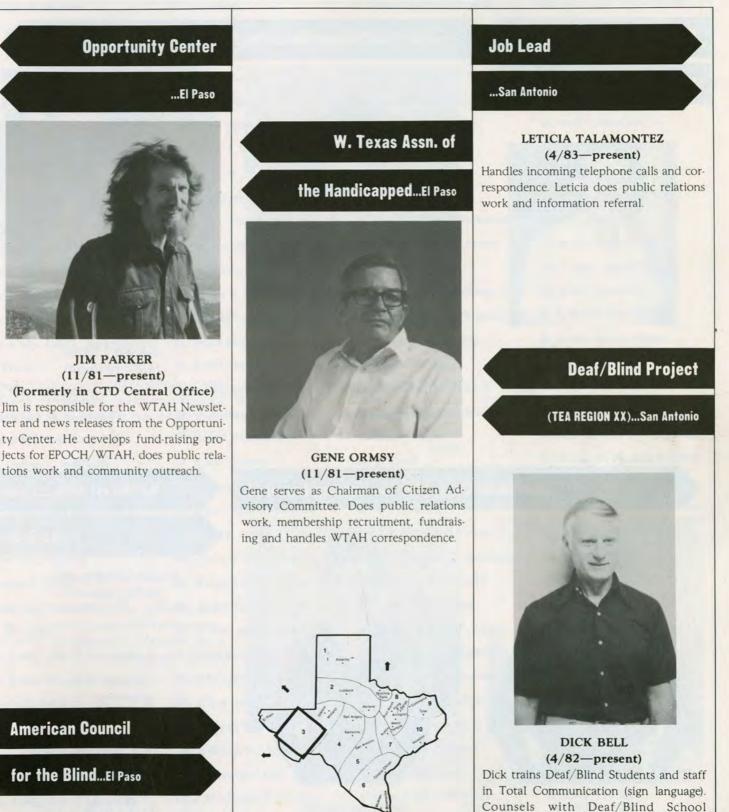


OLIVIA ACOSTA (4/82—present)

Olivia acts as office manager for a housing project in Arlington. She also solicits volunteers for various programs.

JAMES POWELL (4/83—present)

James provides transportation for clients attending the recreational program at the AHA Center.



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MARJORIE MILES (Formerly with the Lighthouse for the Blind)

Mariorie assists the Council organization with transportation, public relations.

students; does organizational develop-

ment; acts as liaison to other disbility

organizations in the community.

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EDMUND ALLAIRE (4/82—present)

Edmund organizes sports events for the organization. He also handles the correspondence, phone inquiries, and agency financial affairs.



KIM WENG (4/82—present)

Kim works at St. Benedict Hospital office to promote community awareness and helps with patient needs. She also acts as liaison with other disability oriented groups.

groups.

Southwest Center for the Hearing Impaired



NANCY LYNCH (4/82—present)

Nancy provides SAILS office support. She contacts members to encourage increased participation and involvement in SACCH activities.

Northeast Association



ROSA PERRA (4/83—present)

Rosa teaches independent living skills. She also counsels with deaf/blind adult clients of the Center.



SUZANNE PENNY (4/83—present)

Suzanne acts as interpreter for deaf clients, makes home visits to help clients solve their problem in the community. She also assists in classrooms.

of the Deaf

STARR BARRIE-HULL (4/83—present)

Starr handles correspondence for the organization as well as public relations. She is also responsible for community outreach for the organization.



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The 1983 Legislative Session was a particularly successful one for CTD and the platform that was developed at the Delegate Assembly in San Antonio in October, 1982. Following are the bills which addressed the issues of the platform and were passed into law:

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

SB 179 By Senator G. Jones

- □ Texas Rehabilitation Commission-Funded at \$228.9 million for 1984-1985 biennium, at 21.2% increase.
- □ Independent Living Centers—Almost \$2 million provided for the biennium to fund the five existing Texas centers.
- Extended Rehabilitation Services—Funding for each year of the biennium was increased more than 35%. This TRC program will receive \$2.3 million in 1984 and \$2.4 million in 1985.
- Deaf/Blind Semi-Independent Living Programs—Funded at \$250,000 for the 84-85 biennium. Also funded were other programs including summer camp for deaf/blind children.

ACCESSIBLE POLLING PLACES

SB 306 By Senator Kothman and Representative Barrientos

All polling places must be accessible according to the standards specified in this act by January 1, 1988. Polling places within private buildings are excluded from the law's requirements. The success of this bill was one of the real surprises of 1983. The records of the various votes on this bill in the House of Representatives is very interesting and could be quite useful in the upcoming primaries and general election. A copy can be obtained from the CTD office.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF LONG RANGE PLANNING GROUP FOR TEXANS WITH DISABILITIES

SB 711 By Senator Brooks

For a more coordinated approach to the provision of health and human services, a Texas Health and Human Services Coordinating Council is established. Also set up is a Council on Disabilities and a Long-term Care Coordinating Council for the Elderly.

HCR 35 By Representative Ashley Smith

Asks the Texas Legislative Council to develop a compilation of Texas laws specifically relating to disabled persons.

In addition to the legislative platform CTD sponsored, there were many other bills improving programs for, services to, and rights of disabled Texans. Following are summaries of some bills of particular interest to members of the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities.

SB 33 By Senator Glasgow

Modernizes statutes concerning the Texas Rehabilitation Commission. Services are no longer limited to those who are determined to have employment options but may be provided to individuals who may be able to achieve a greater level of independent living. dent living.

SB 117 By Senator Doggett

Sets up procedures for the administration of block grants providing for public comment and a grievance process. Also declares that funds intended to be used for disabled, elderly and poor should be so used.

SB 123 By Senator Leedom

Exempts from sales and use taxes various pieces of equipment used by visually impaired such as braille watches, electronic equipment writers, white canes and talking clocks.

SB 284 By Senator Santiesteban

Authorizes the issuance of parking cards for the permanently disabled in addition to the disabled parking stickers. The card can be used by the disabled individual when riding in a vehicle without a sticker. Applications for the cards are available in your.

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County Tax Office. A doctor's statement is needed unless you already have a sticker and the proof of that will suffice. You may have both sticker and card although the sticker must be renewed yearly while the card is permanent.

SB 435 By Senator Farabee

Modernizes and reforces the Mental Health Code According to the recommendations of the Mental Health Code Task Force.

SB 766 By Senator Doggett

The Texas disabled parking statute is cleaned up to be more responsive to disabled citizens. Cities are now authorized to require private property owners to provide a certain number of disabled parking spaces and the law is now enforceable by certain security personnel employed by the facility, others authorized to issue parking citations and of course peace officers.

SB 809 By Senator Washington

Allows parents of deaf children to choose to send their children to the Texas School for the Deaf, providing there is room, even if the local school district decides it can provide an appropriate education.

SB 861 By Senator Uribe

Empowers DHR to investigate allegations of abuse or neglect of disabled adults between 18 and 64 years old and to intervene with court authorization if necessary. (Older adults and children were already protected).

SB 1097 By Senator Uribe

Expands limited guardianship law so that a guardian can be appointed for specific aspects of the life of an individual with physical and/or mental disabilities without declaring the individual incompetent. This law previously only applied to mentally retarded persons.

SCR 66___ By Senator Brooks 72, 98

Series of resolutions directing the improvement of services to autistic citizens of Texas and their families.

HB 102 By Representative Hill

Increases the number of required unannounced inspections of nursing homes by the Health Department from one to two and prohibits the awarding of "superior" grade to any nursing home that has violated any state or federal regulation during the previous 12 months.

HB 279 Specified by Representative Turner

Concerns powers and duties of the Commission for the Deaf. Requires TCD to provide message relay services and to manage the placement of telecommunications devices in certain local government offices. It also authorizes the continuance or creation of certain programs for deaf-blind multi-handicapped persons.

SPECIAL SESSION PRODUCES CIVIL RIGHTS FOR DISABLED TEXANS

For the first time in Texas history, disabled Texans are protected from employment discrimination by state law. House Bill 14, passed in the special legislative session of June, 83., creates the Texas Commission on Human Rights which is charged with investigation and resolving complaints of employment, discrimination based on race, color, handicap, religion, sex, national origin, or age.

Going well beyond the protections of federal discrimination laws, the statute prohibits discrimination of a disabled person by any mployer with more than 15 employees. This includes private employers not just recipients of federal money. Also included are labor unions, training programs and vocational schools.

All aspects of employment are covered including hiring, firing, promotions, salaries and job duties. When confronted with a complaint of discrimination of a disabled person, an employer can claim "undo hardship" in that accommodation would be too costly. It is then up to the Commission to decide if this claim is reasonable. The Commission is authorized to negotiate settlements of disputes and to take matters to court if necessary.

This law is truly a victory for disabled Texans and a boon to the rights afforded disabled citizens in this state. The bill was sponsored by Senators Lloyd Doggett and Craig Washington and Representatives Gonzalo Barrientos and Ron Wilson. They, along with Governor Mark White and other committed legislators should be commended for their determined efforts on this issue.

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by Marshall Mitchell

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Since that first opening, three years ago, four other Independent Living Centers have opened their doors. Now centers in Austin, San Antonio, El Paso and Dallas are able to assist disabled individuals in their cities to become independent, productive, and more fulfilled persons. Because these centers provide services which are not available from any other source, they are filling a void that has existed for years.

Each of these centers from the oldest to the newest have a success story to share. I'm sure that the following successes are just the beginning.



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HCIL, which opened in 1980, is an integral part of the independent living movement that has grown in the United States during the last decade. Their staff is composed of both disabled and nondisabled people. Their expertise and firsthand knowledge of the problems their clients face qualify them to show the disabled how to overcome the problems of daily living.

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services, braille transcription services, and consciousness raising in the community. Their staff is composed of a director, peer counselor secretary, bookkeeper, interpreter and a half-time clerical person. They are currently serving approximately 77 clients.



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Their newest program, Herndon House, is a residential transitional living facility in which developmentally disabled adults undergo an intensive six month to one year program designed to increase their independence. This program is the first of its kind in Texas.

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THE DALLAS CENTER HAS REPORTED THAT 120 clients have contacted DCIL for specific independent living services. 32 individuals have achieved an independent living goal/goals. Approximately 30 clients are served each month.

The center, a non-profit agency, is a project of the Association for Individuals with Disabilities and its services are directed, developed and delivered by and for persons with disabilities. DCIL serves people regardless of ethnic, religious or racial background, there are no age restrictions. The services are without charge. It is funded by a grant from TRC. The services offered include: Information and referral, community outreach, job placement/development, independent living skills, attendant referral, accessible housing/transportation, peer counseling and legal rights advocacy.



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EPOCH INVOLVES HANDICAPped persons in policy-

dependent living skills, but it also coordinates services

making and management of the program. The center's major emphasis is on developing in-

John Weir EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

in many other areas to ensure that clients are able to function more independently in their community. Some of these areas include: Employment, housing, homemaking, legal and financial aid, transportation, architectural barriers.

Each client will have an individualized independent living plan, listing specific goals and services that will be provided by the EPOCH staff.

Their peer counseling program involves both group and individual counseling by disabled persons. Efforts are made to match clients with peer counselors who have specific experience that will benefit the client.

The independent living skills segment of the EPOCH program works closely with a wide range of social service providers, medical and educational institutions to provide maximum access to services for its clients. In addition, the ILS program seeks to expand job opportunities for the disabled through close communications and liaison with agencies and training programs such as WIN, Job Corps and El Paso SER/CETA.

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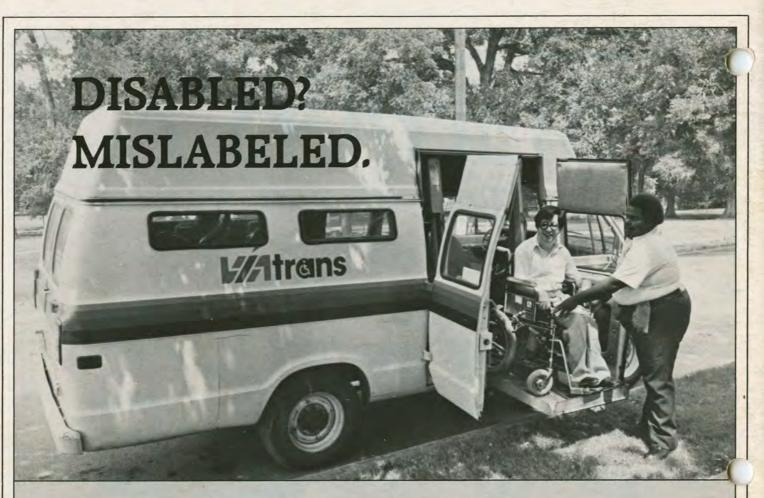
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