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President's Message

by Ron Nelson



Sometimes I'm overwhelmed with tasks. I'm reminded of a friend from Atlanta, Georgia, who said that it takes a "busy" person to get things done.

I recently learned that the USDB is no longer a "school". Its mission has been defined as a statewide educational resource. This is important because it no longer has to compete with school districts for money. It can allocate its resources where they are most-needed and sharpen its focus on serving deaf, blind, and deaf/blind students. They can provide services to any school that makes a request, including JMS.

Since Petra Rose took the Administrator position at JMS in the summer of 2002, the school has seen the number of students double. Petra was an administrator at the Riverside deaf school in California and her valuable experience is certainly proving to be a huge benefit to JMS. Please continue to support them. If you would like to contribute, give them a call.

The quality of life for Deaf Utahns has steadily but slowly improved over the years. However, there are some glaring obstacles that rear ugly heads when we are hurt. It has been 12 years since the ADA was signed by President Bush. Hospitals are way behind in following the ADA law and only our own personal efforts will make a difference. It's true that our stays at the hospital are usually short but it's a time of intense personal stress. The stress can be relieved by access to qualified interpreters for effective communication with doctors and nurses as well as restoring a link to the outside world via closed-captioned TVs and TTY's.

The Utah Legislature will convene a special session this month to decide on more cuts to the state budget. It is possible they will re-examine the concept of putting the USOR and the Deaf Center under DWS like they did last summer. This will practically "close" the Deaf Center by changing it into a Job Service Center. We will watch them and keep you updated via the UAD-Announce Email. Please send your email address to Clay Crye at clay@crye.net and Val Kinney at kinneyv@vii.com and tell them to add you to the UAD-Announce Email.

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas! May all your wishes and dreams come true!

2003 Utah Association for the Deaf Conference

**June 13-14,
2003**

**UAD Board Meeting
December 14, 2002 at UCCD
9 a.m. : Board Meeting (open to public)**

Society Page

Obituaries

(Full information may be found at
www.uad.org/bulletin/obituary.htm)



November 5, 2002 - Vida Bedell,

91, passed away in Ogden. She worked as an housemother at the USDB campus in Ogden during the '70s. Burial took place in Samaria, ID, where she was born.



November 12, 2002 - Albert

Sconiers, better known as Buddy, passed away November 12, 2002 in Tacoma, Washington. He was 73 and had been ill with cancer this past year. Graveside services were held at the Blackfoot, Idaho cemetery with the family greeting friends afterwards at the Shillings House.

Donations to the Utah Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in

Buddy's memory is suggested.

A memorial service was held November 20, at the Utah Community Center for the Deaf, with a light luncheon following.



November 18, 2002 -

Elizabeth Hixson, 66, passed away in Roy, after a year-long battle with cancer. Liz had been a staff member of Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Ogden campus) for the last 19 years and was administrative assistant to Dr. Lee Robinson. Funeral services will take place November 24 in Roy, with burial in Ogden.

Donations to the Deaf and Blind Childrens' Fund is suggested. The address is PO Box 12655, Ogden, Utah 84412-2655.

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Emergency Blood Drive

by Kristi Mortensen, MDUP Advisor

The American Red Cross is desperately in need of blood and has asked MDUP to host an emergency blood drive at the Deaf Center on Dec 10, 2002 (Tuesday) from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the gym. There will be give-aways (gifts) for those who participate in the blood drive such as a keychain with a flashing light and the Red Cross logo.

A reminder: Donors need to eat one full meal before donating blood at the blood drive. This will prevent dizziness after the blood donation. Also, if you have a card showing your blood type, bring it. It will save time and get you to the cot faster.

Pls jot this date on your calendar and give a Christmas gift to save lives!

Please let us know that you are coming and at what time so we can put your name on the schedule. Contact: Kristi Mortensen at TTY (801) 582-6788, FAX (801) 582-7510 or EMAIL KLMortensen12@aol.com.

20 Years Ago...

December 1982 - Nellie Sausedo was one of three handicapped workers highlighted in an article written in The Hub, the newspaper of Defense Depot Ogden. Nellie is a warehouseworker in the Mechanized Receipt Processing Section. There are 321 handicapped workers at DDO, 59 of them severely handicapped.

Highlights - UAD Board Mtg

November 9, 2002

*Instructed board to review and evaluate the goals (finished and unfinished) under the Nelson administration at the first UAD board meeting in January.



Local News/Articles

JMS's Growth

by Petra Rose, Administrator

Students had so much fun on October 31st. First, Eli McCowan came to tell a Halloween Deafie story. Then students paraded their costumes and collected candies from the Riverton city offices. Finally, students, staff and parents indulged delicious potluck foods for lunch before engaging in the piñata type of activity and going off-campus to Some Dude's Playground. A committee of parents headed by Cindee Comeau spent hours planning the potluck lunch, games, and full of laughs, so a special thanks goes to them!!

It is so exciting to witness the dramatic increase of the student population from 20+ students to 39

students. Also, on Wednesday of October 23rd, JMS students and faculty conferred in the big cafeteria to make some historic decisions on the school mascot and colors. After 40 minutes of deliberation on the list of



(left to right) Taylor Darlington (JMS student), Heather Tucker (teacher), Leah Coleman (JMS student)

A thought...

"If every wife knew what every widow knows, no man would be without adequate life insurance."

National Fraternal Society of the
Deaf

Ogden Division 127

mascots nominated by each class, they voted on BEES!

The reasoning entails bees having defied the mother nature by flying. Scientifically, their bodies are bigger and fatter than their wings, and therefore, they are physically unable to fly. Yet, they FLY. Also, bees can be vicious when they are being bothered. In addition, bees are hardworkers and great team players. Finally, Utah is a beehive state. As for school colors, the obvious choice became gold and black!

Finally, JMS parents and faculty have set up a PTA. Tuesday, October 22nd was the first PTA meeting.

Below is a list of PTA Officers:

President: Tracie Wintch

Vice President: CindyLee Banks

Recorder: Erica Taggart

Treasurer: Heather Williford

Membership Chair: Marnie Himes

Fundraising Chair: Michelle Stewart

Parent Volunteer Coordinator: Mindi Allen

In closing, JMS would like to recognize Rachel Beagley for being a STAR Parent Volunteer of the month.

New ASLTA Chapter

The new chapter is called the Utah chapter of the American Sign Language Teacher's Association.

The new ASLTA officers are:

President Roger Wilkins

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New ASLTA Chapter

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Vice-President Jennifer Alleman

Secretary Aaron Cummins

Treasurer Eric Lynn

Workshop Coordinator Philip Meecham

Board Member: vacant

The first board meeting will be held on January 11, 2003. The website is <http://utahaslta.blogspot.com/>.

Utahn Re-Elected as Trustee to Gallaudet University

Dr. Robert Sanderson was recently re-elected by the Gallaudet University Board of Trustees to a 2nd five-year term as a Trustee Emeritus. This honor is due to the Board's recognition of his many years of outstanding and devoted service and continued commitment to Gallaudet University.

RUCC Positions Open in January 2003

The Relay Users Consumers Council is sponsored by the Public Service Commission. They meet 4 times a year. The Sprint Account Manager, Mark Tauscher, usually attends the meetings and responds to questions and discusses new developments and technologies.

Three positions will be available and applicants are encouraged to contact Jorie Hill. The three positions are:

1. Representative from the general hearing community.

2. Parent of Deaf high school student.

3. Representative from the Deaf senior citizens organization.

The term begins in January 2003. The next meeting is January 30, 2003 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at UCCDHH.

Interested parties should call for further information and indicate if they are available for appointment at (801) 263-4886 or JrHill@utah.gov.

NWAAD2003 Message

by Andrea Anderson

We need you! Utah FANS & PLAYERS!

This is the 50th Year Anniversary for the Northwest Athletic Association of the Deaf Basketball Tournament. It's not just any basketball tournament...it is a special celebration with lots of activities going on. It will be taking place on March 13, 14, and 15 right here in Salt Lake City. The headquarters will be at the Utah Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

We are honored to be the host for the bi-centennial celebration because of the 50th anniversary. Please take the time to learn more about the exciting event as it is on the website www.nwaad.org and click on 2003 Basketball Tournament.

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Basketball Tournament

We will be having special events happening this year; different organizations involved with their booths, special entertainment, banquet during the awards night, special honor to those who have served NWAAD, and exciting basketball games to watch.

This will be a successful 50th Anniversary Celebration, only, **IF YOU COME AND CHEER wildly at those games and become part of it!**

Coke Machine is Real Thing

A vending machine run by the Dillingham family is on their yard outside their home.

"I've had people ask me how I stand it," said Carol Dean, who lives across the street. "Stand what? It's not hurting me."

Others are bothered, and a recent spate of complaints has prompted Orem officials to remind homeowners that while home occupation businesses are legal, an outside presence is not.

"We don't want our residential neighborhoods to look like commercial zones," Sainsbury said.

At times, the Dillingham yard looks like a commercial zone. Judy Dillingham says the vending machine brings in \$400 to \$600 a month during the spring and summer, \$100 to \$200 /month during the fall and winter.

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Outstanding Opportunity for a Qualified Interpreter

Date Posted: 12-1-02

Director of Interpreting and Outreach Programs for Video Relay Service

Sorenson Media is seeking a highly motivated individual to communicate with various organizations, interpreting agencies, and end users on our video relay service. This person will implement, manage, and monitor a Quality of Service program to ensure that our partner interpreters are offering a consistent high-quality level of interpreting for video relay customers. This individual will also manage the Sorenson Video Relay Service outreach programs. The outreach responsibilities include training, conducting workshops, and educating interpreters in addition to the deaf community on the Sorenson Video Relay Service. This position will work with users and interpreters to obtain feedback for developing future products and act as an interpreter for executive meetings when required. Additional video relay service responsibilities will be assigned as required.

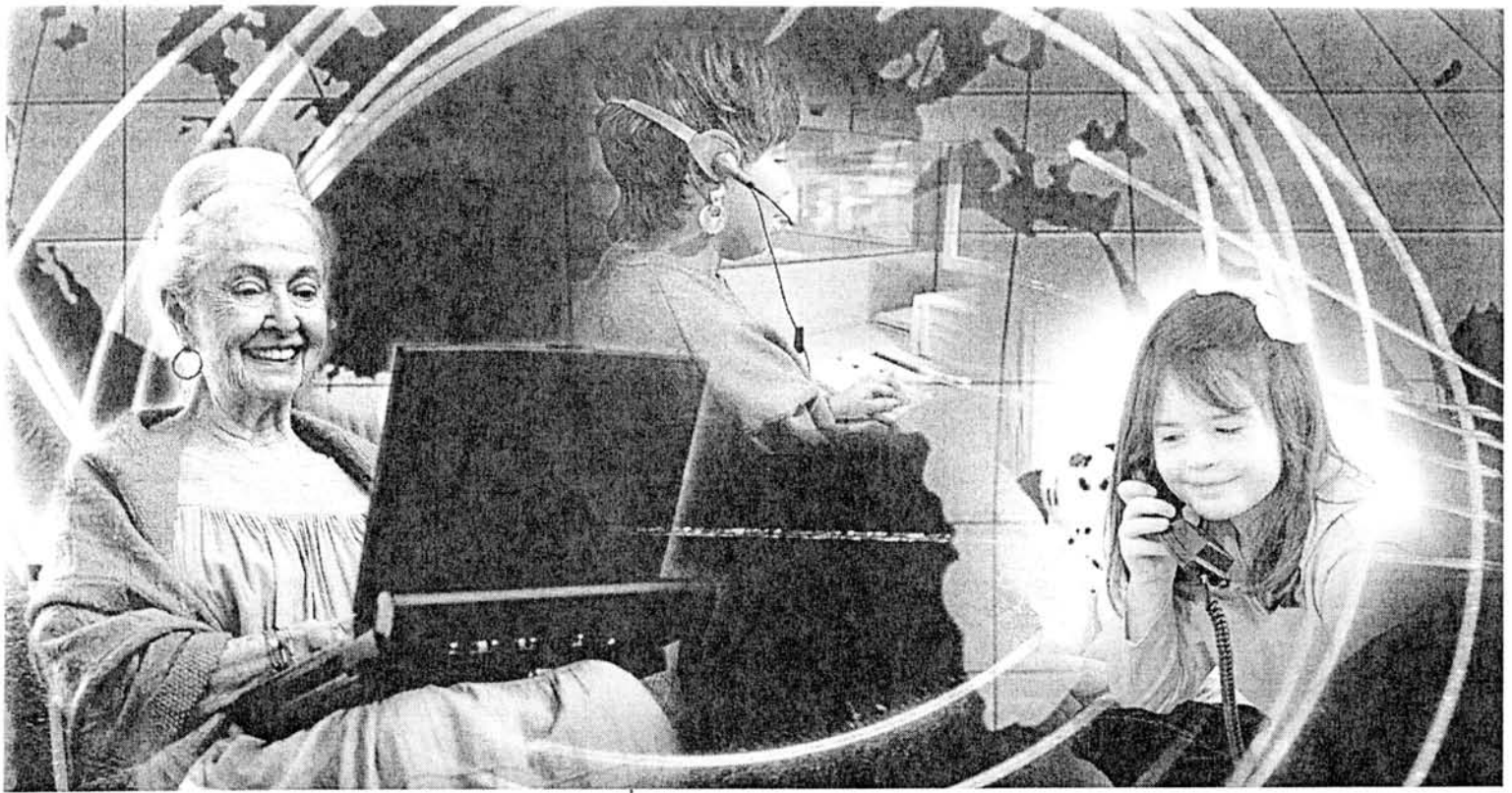
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- Working knowledge of interpreting code of ethics
- Adequate computer literacy and technical abilities preferred

Qualified applicants should submit (e-mail, fax or, mail) their resume to:

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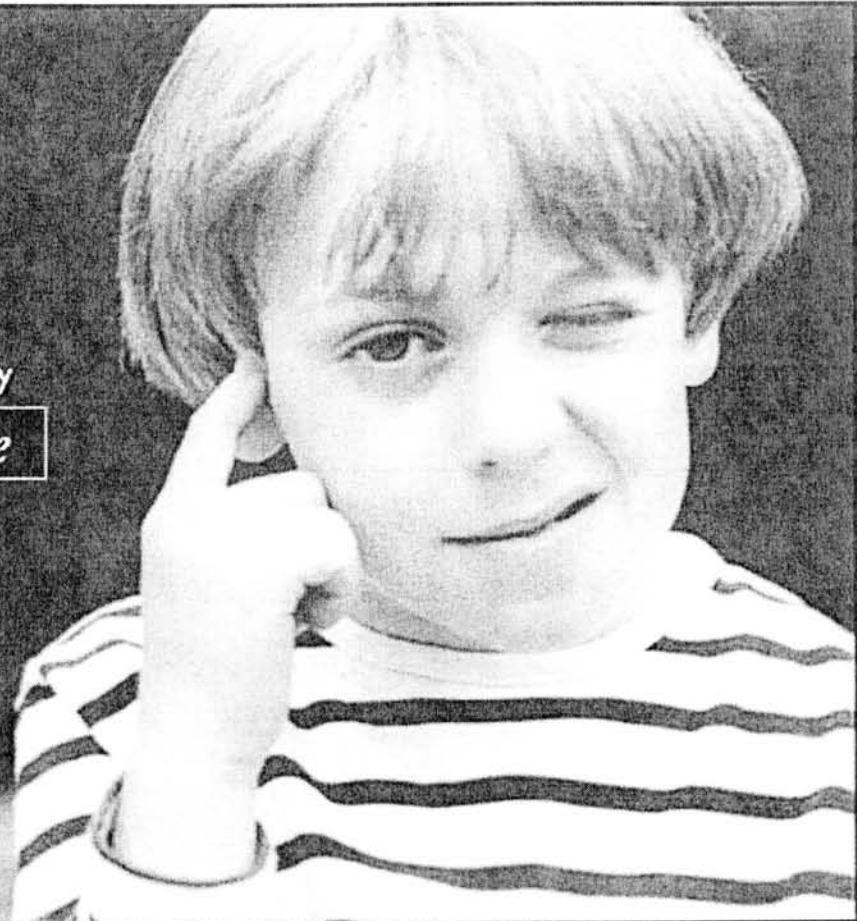
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Coke Machine is Real Thing

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Children stop nearly every day to buy soda on their way home from school.

That's not too hard for the Dillinghams, since they own their own

vending business. They also have set up a soda machine at their parents' house in American Fork.

Sainsbury said the Dillinghams and others who have vending machines in visible spots can continue to operate the service, as long as the machines are brought in the house or into the garage.

Jesse Hyde, *Deseret News*, November 13, 2002



Open-Captioned Movies

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Calendar of Events for December 2002

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Day	Date	Organization	Event	Location	Time
Mondays	December	BBCD - Seniors	Bowling	Bonwood Lanes	11:00 AM
Wednesdays	December	DSU	Cards	UCCDHH	9:00 AM
Wednesdays	December	Utah Bowlers	Bowling	Valley Lanes	7:00 PM
Friday	12/6/2002	SLC Frats	Meeting	UCCDHH	9:30 AM
Saturday	12/7/2002	UCCDHH	Annual Open House	UCCDHH	1:00 PM
Saturday	12/7/2002	YFP	Holiday Afternoon Party - Ages 0-7	UCCDHH	1:00 PM
Friday	12/13/2002	Ogden Frats	Christmas Dinner	Lion's Den	5:00 PM
Saturday	12/14/2002	SLC Frats	Christmas Dinner	UCCDHH	1:00 PM
Saturday	12/14/2002	UAD	Board of Directors Meeting	UCCDHH	9:00 AM
Wednesday	12/18/2002	SLCAD	Board Meeting	UCCDHH	5:30 PM
Wednesday	12/25/2002		CHRISTMAS DAY		