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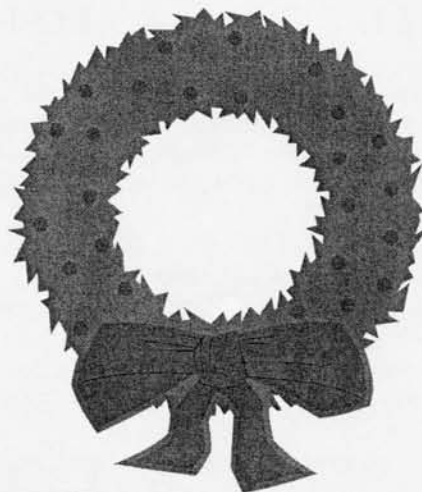
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## President's Message

by Ron Nelson



There are three items I want to mention.

It's a real pleasure to see the number of Christmas greeting on the front page of this issue!

We expect interpreter agencies to follow the code of ethics. I have not seen a problem in this area but one incident came to my attention recently. I was shocked that a level one certified interpreter was sent by an interpreter agency to a doctor's office for a deaf patient's appointment. The patient complained later that there was very little effective communication with the doctor and many questions were left un-asked. I am very disappointed that an interpreter agency would do such a thing because they consider the business (money) more important than to ensure effective communication by sending an appropriately certified interpreter. If they don't have any appropriate interpreters for the appointment, they should refer the request to another interpreter agency. I believe that certain situations such as doctors, lawyers, and other vital services should have the services of a level two certified interpreter or better with specific training.

The 2005 Western Academic Bowl is already making waves. Ellen O'Hara, Miss Deaf Utah, is working hard to spearhead a Utah College Bowl. She needs your help to contact deaf college students at all major colleges and universities in Utah. Ellen's email is [ellen@uad.org](mailto:ellen@uad.org). Her goal is to establish a good relationship between deaf college students around the state and organize activities together.

# Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

#### UAD Board Meeting

January 15, 2005 at SCCDHH

10:00 a.m. : Board Meeting (open to public)

Chairman: Rob Kerr, [rob@uad.org](mailto:rob@uad.org)

#### 2005 UAD Conference

June 9 - 11, 2005 at Sanderson Center

[www.uad.org/2005](http://www.uad.org/2005)

Chairperson: Eli McCowan, [eli@uad.org](mailto:eli@uad.org)

# Society Page

## Rattles 'n' Powder



**October 31, 2004 - Zachary**

Chase, son of Brandon and Dawn Barney of Roy.



**November 20, 2004 - Kaitlyn**

Marie Greenfield, daughter of Alex and Michelle Greenfield. She has 2 brothers to welcome her. Her proud grandma is Roxanna Greenfield.

## Wedding Bells



**November 13, 2004 - Tiffany**

Dupaix to James Cole, in rites performed at the Roy 26th Ward. James Cole is the son of Jim and Maria Cole of North Ogden.

## A Greater Glory



**January 29, 2004 - Ruby Anderson**

Marinelli, 77, passed away on January 29, 2004. Ruby was raised in Spanish Fork, Utah and attended the Utah School for the Deaf in the 1940's. She went to Gallaudet University after her junior year at USD and graduated from Gallaudet in 1950. She and her husband Umberto lived in Bronx, New York.



**October 23, 2004 - William Davis,**

known as Billy, 31, was killed in a motorcycle accident in Vancouver, WA. Among his survivors are his parents, Ronald and Suzanne (Cain) Davis of Vancouver, WA. A great uncle, Norman Williams of West Jordan and a great aunt, Lois Williams of Salt Lake City also survive. A memorial service was held in Vancouver, WA.



**October 29, 2004 - Dantzel**

Anderson, 86, passed away at the home of her son in Provo. Her father died of influenza in the epidemic of 1918, less than four months following her birth. Over the ensuing years, Dantzel volunteered her time and skills at Primary Children's Hospital and the Red Cross, and tutored at an elementary school across town. Funeral services were held in Provo with interment

in Salt Lake. Among her survivors are grandsons Justin Anderson of Saratoga Springs and Jeremy Anderson of Highland.



**November 7, 2004 - Hazel R.**

Morrison, 84, passed away in Missouri. She was a sweet and gentle spirit who deeply touched the lives of everyone she knew and loved. Graveside services were held the following Saturday in Salt Lake City. Mrs. Morrison is the grandmother of Carol Ann Morrison Kunkel Summy.



**November 7, 2004 - Burt**

Spanton, 64, passed away after a long battle with cancer. Burt loved meeting people and serving those in need. He was always the first one out to greet new neighbors and welcome them with a smile. He also enjoyed children and was a Primary teacher and nursery leader. Among his survivors is a daughter, Connie Spanton-Jex. Funeral services and interment took place in West Jordan.

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## 20 Years Ago

**December 1984.** 1985 officers for the Ogden NFSD Division #127 are as follows: Scott Newton, president; Edith Wheeler, vice president; Cleo Peterson, secretary; Nellie Sausedo, treasurer; Bessie Peterson, sergeant at arms; Bruce Van Kampen, director. Bruce Van Kampen, Evelyn Stoltz and Nancy Taylor are 1st, 2nd and 3rd trustees, respectively.

Salt Lake NFSD Division elected new officers for 1985: Glen Ross, president; Art Valdez, vice president; Celia May Baldwin, secretary; Corky Sparr, treasurer; Billie Merrill, director and Willis Morton, sergeant at arms. Steve Masich, Norman Williams and Budget Laramie will serve as 1st, 2nd and 3rd trustees, respectively.

*Editor's Note: This year, the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf changed and no longer sells insurance policies. The Salt Lake NFSD Division will cease its operations as of December 31 of this year.*



## Local News/Articles

### Six Utah Athletes in Deaflympics 2005

The state of Utah boasts six athletes who will be competing in the 2005 Deaflympics in Melbourne, Australia in January. Here's the list:

- \* Shari Kelsch-Bailey, Alpine - women's basketball
- \* Andrea Anderson, Saratoga Springs - women's basketball
- \* Nicole Banks-Gough, West Jordan - women's soccer
- \* Sarah Walker, Saratoga Springs - women's beach volleyball
- \* Carley Lords, Cedar Hills - women's track and field
- \* Bryce Gertino, Salt Lake City - wrestling



### Miss Deaf Teen Utah's Report

by Lindsey Bailey

HOHOHO! Merry Christmas to y'all!

Let me catch you up on what I've been doing. This past month I went to the Deaf Nation Expo, I performed my talent and gave a very short speech on stage. I added some stuff to my talent last minute

but I enjoyed doing it! Afterwards, I chatted with people and met many new faces. My mom told me to tell all of the "new faces" that I met that I am only 15! Haha. This month, I have a few appearances coming up. I definitely look forward to that.

I want to talk about Christmas because it's coming soon. Christmas is not so much about getting, it's the time to give. When we first moved to Utah 12 years ago, we were very poor and my parents didn't know how we were going to have a Christmas. Then 12 days before Christmas there was a knock at the door and we found some very nice gifts. This went on for 12 days until Christmas. We never knew who did it but it made our poor Christmas into one we will always remember. Now each year, we try to pick a family who is in need and do the same. It has been a very good experience for us to do this. I hope you can find a family or a person who is in need this Christmas so that you could make their holiday joyful and special.

Also, it's the month to enjoy the last month of year 2004. I hope you achieved all of your goals that you set for this year. Be ready to make new goals for year 2005!



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2004 to January 2, 2005

### Doings Down South

by Joyanne K. Burdett

The new office for the Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Programs is now being set up in an open space right next to the Office of Rehabilitation. New walls had been constructed. There will be six new spaces within – one will be for a secretary, one for a vocational rehabilitation counselor (this position is still open), one for the coordinator, one for the Southern Utah educational assistants, one for conference room, and one for storage. Upon completion, we will have a ribbon cutting ceremony. We hope to be able to announce the date for this event soon.

A meeting with the hard of hearing people of the Southern Utah was held at the Santa Clara Library on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Enthusiastic participants produced a very positive and exciting meeting. Ronald, the coordinator of the SUDHHP, is now fully motivated to be involved with such wonderful people. This meeting was very educational as well. They expressed desire for a sign language class to learn the basic signs with a teacher who can hear and is fluent in ASL so the CASE (Conceptually Accurate Signed English) classes will be offered for them from January 5, 2005 through February 9, 2005.

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## Doings Down South

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They added that they would love to start a monthly social activity/event mingling with everyone else.

\* December 20, 2004 Tuacahn Theater - Interpreted Live Nativity at 7 PM - Free. Be sure to dress warmly and bring a blanket.

\* ASL I and II classes offered, January 5 to February 9

\* CASE classes offered, January 5 to February 9

\* Exercise Ought to Be Fun! at the Gold Gym on Bluff Street, January 6 to February 3

\* Keeping Love Alive! on February 8 at the VR office

\* Speechreading classes offered every Tuesday and Thursday starting February 9 at the Deaf Program office

\* SHHH on Polycom at the VR office offered every fourth Thursday at 7 PM starting January 27.

Details about these events, activities and classes will be announced soon. Monthly electronic newsletters from the SUDHHP will be made available in January 2005 so look out for it. For those, who don't have an access to the Internet can receive it via mail. More about this will be announced soon.

## BCGUAA Secretary Appointed

by Emily Broadbent, BCGUAA President

The BCGUAA Presidency is thrilled to announce and welcome the long awaited secretary, Erin Kelly. Erin attended Gallaudet in 2002-03. She hopes to return to complete her studies there in the Fall of 2005. Please welcome her on board!

## Open-Captioned Movies

Provo (at the Carmike Wynnsong)

December 7-8, "Ray", PG-13

December 14-15, "The SpongeBob Squarepants Movie", PG

December 21-22, "Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason", R

Salt Lake City (at the Carmike Ritz)

December 14-15, "Ray", PG-13

December 21-22, "The SpongeBob Squarepants Movie", PG

December 28-29, "Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason", R

See [www.uad.org/cmoviesutah](http://www.uad.org/cmoviesutah).



## UAD Board Mtg ~ Highlights

October 16, 2004

~ Postponed a decision on having UAD sponsor an act or show to be held at Deaf Seniors of America conference in San Francisco in September 2005, to the November meeting.

~ Agreed to cancel the December board meeting in favor of a Deaf Volunteer Corps meeting for 2007 Winter Deaflympics.

~ Donated \$200 to USADSF on behalf of Andrea Anderson to raise funds to go to Deaflympics 2005 on USA women's basketball team.

~ Postponed a decision to the January board meeting on donating \$250 to the USDB Utah Educational Interpreter of the Year 2005 award.

~ Postponed a decision to the November board meeting to have the January 2005 board meeting in Ogden and the February 2005 board meeting in Salt Lake City.

## Sorenson VideoPhone has come to the UAD Bookstore!

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The Utah Association for the Deaf is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that only sells deaf and hard-of-hearing products to enhance the quality of life.



## 2005 UAD Conference

**Date: June 9 - 11, 2005**

**Location:** Sanderson Center

**Chairperson:** Eli McCowan

**Theme:** "Hands to the Future"

**Keynote Speaker:** Ron Burdett

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## ASL Signers in Music & the Spoken Word

The LDS Church and the Mormon Tabernacle are honoring the Utah Association for the Deaf hosting of the 2005 Western Academic Bowl by having signers using American Sign Language during their long-running "Music and the Spoken Word" on February 20, 2005 in the Conference Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. "Music and the Spoken Word" has become the world's longest-running, continuous network broadcast and is carried on more than 2,000 radio and television stations and cable systems.

They are working with the UAD to find and train ASL signers. Eight deaf and/or hard of hearing signers are needed for the "Music and the Spoken Word" television show.

The Mormon Tabernacle Choir music and songs will show off the beauty of American Sign Language.

For more information, see [www.uad.org](http://www.uad.org).



## Christmas Every Day

By Kristi Mortensen

The hustle and bustle of Christmas, everybody is busily shopping for gifts for their families, friends, and loved ones, writing Christmas cards, attending Christmas programs given by children, friends, and families, endless days of parties at home, church, school, work, and everywhere.

Many times, with our heavy schedules, we fret wanting to do other things but unable to accomplish. Many times I have wondered how quickly Christmas morning passes – presents opened, wrappers all over the living room, eating candies and delicious holiday food then it is all over. After several months of preparation, Christmas morning came and went in just one day. Perhaps we could view Christmas as an everyday thing in a different way.

The Utah School for the Deaf has many students in the North, Central, and South Divisions. These students are also mainstreamed half of the day with hearing students besides attending self-contained classrooms with USD teachers. We have the Jean Massieu School for the Deaf where all students are together in their own classes. All of these students are our future leaders. They will be forever a part of our Community and in our lives. Many of them will leave their footprints in the paths where we are trodding now. These children will constantly look up to us and our examples. Their eyes are wondering – when they see the great things we do for our Community in politics, sports, education, and the support we give to families who are raising deaf children.

I think it would be neat if we could continue to treat these deaf children as if it is Christmas all year around. Give all you have – your talents, your knowledge, your example, and your influence into their lives. Believe me – these 4 ingredients will mold them into wonderful

individuals living in this great Beehive State. Let's give everything of ourselves to them.

There will be a wonderful event at Churchill Junior High, Deaf Awareness Week, and more information will be shared on UAD Announce. I hope we can come and give them support. There are many deaf students attending that school. Let's be there for them.

Merry Christmas to you and all!

## Sorenson Media Subsidizes Deaf Athletes

Nicole Banks-Gough learned she will receive a \$500 donation from Sorenson Media, a Taylorsville-based company whose business largely involves providing telecommunications equipment for the deaf. Sorenson Media will give similar subsidies to 14 other deaf athletes, including four more from Utah, and donate \$6,000 to the USA Deaf Sports Federation and \$1,000 to USA Deaf Basketball.

"This is something really good to do," said Dave Johnson, the company's vice president of sales. He knows a thing or two about the difficulty of fund-raising from his days as a leader of the bid and organizing committees for the Salt Lake City Olympics.

"This event doesn't attract the kind of corporate sponsors the Olympics attracts. These athletes really do have specific needs. Some are in school or don't have the employment opportunities that hearing people would have," he added. "I hope that, with heightened awareness from our allocation, more companies . . . will help ensure [the United States] can have complete teams."

Each member of the U.S. squad must raise about \$4,500 to attend the 20th Summer Deaflympics, which run Jan. 5-16 in Melbourne and are expected to involve 3,000 athletes from 80 countries (the competition originated in 1924 in Paris as the International Silent Games).

The 16th Winter Deaflympics will take place in Park City in 2007.

Source: Mike Gorrell, *The Salt Lake Tribune*

## Gallaudet University Receives \$5 Million

Gallaudet University announced that Sorenson Media and the Sorenson Legacy Foundation have donated \$5 million to the University on November 4, 2004. The gift, which is the second-largest private donation in the school's history, will be used to create the James Lee Sorenson Language and Communication Center.

The Center will be an academic teaching and research facility devoted to deaf people's language, culture, history, and community. "We are grateful for this extremely generous contribution," said Dr. I. King Jordan, president of Gallaudet University.

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## Gallaudet University Receives \$5 Million

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"The Sorensons' gift enables the creation of a unique learning environment where students can acquire the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in a constantly changing world and to strengthen and preserve their identities as deaf people."

"I am delighted by the opportunity this Center will provide to extend the partnership between Sorenson Media and Gallaudet University," said James Lee Sorenson, CEO of Sorenson Media. "We will continue to work together to aggressively develop and utilize technology that enhances communication and learning."

The Sorenson Language and Communication Center will foster collaborative research across multiple disciplines. The University intends to house the following departments and programs in the new facility:

- a. American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Studies
- b. Communication Studies
- c. Center for the Evaluation of ASL Skills
- d. Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences
- e. History and Government
- f. Linguistics
- g. Sociology
- h. University Archives and the Deaf Collection
- i. History Through Deaf Eyes National Exhibit

Students in the Center's departments will be able to pursue bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees. In addition, the University plans to disseminate its knowledge to the larger community by publishing the results of its research and through national outreach programs.

## Free Annual Credit Report

Consumers in some parts of the United States will be entitled to one free credit report each year beginning Dec. 1, using a Web site called [www.AnnualCreditReport.com](http://www.AnnualCreditReport.com), the nation's credit bureaus announced.

The free annual credit checkups were mandated by the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act, signed into law last December by President Bush. The law includes a number of provisions designed to fend off identity theft, which hits millions of U.S. consumers each year.

Currently, a number of Web sites offer what are described as free credit reports, but all require trial subscriptions to credit monitoring services. The new Web

site, mandated by federal law, will be marketing-free.

Only Western states, for now Not all consumers can get their credit reports beginning in December. Earlier this year, the FTC issued guidelines that allows the bureaus to roll out the new feature in stages, to avoid overwhelming the new system.

Only residents in the Western part of the United States will be able to access the reports on Dec. 1. The region includes Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

The Midwest gets added to the system in March, the South in June. Residents in Eastern states will have to wait the longest, until September.

The staged rollout was designed to help the credit bureaus deal with what may be a deluge of traffic when the system launches, Twohig said.

The toll free number consumers can call is 877-322-8228. Written requests can be sent to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P. O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281.

Consumers can dispute errors by following the instructions listed on the credit reports they receive. Procedures may differ slightly among companies.

Source: Bob Sullivan, MSNBC



## YouthLINC

by Teresa Kunde

I have been involved with an organization called YouthLINC which has given me the opportunity to travel to Kenya during July to work with Deaf students at Ngala School for the Deaf in Nakuru, Kenya. I have grown a deep love for each of the students at this

school and can't wait to travel back to visit them this coming July. Right now, some of those students need our help to help them continue in their educational efforts. Below is an e-mail explaining in more detail the type of support you can give to ensure that these children get an appropriate education, a place to sleep at night, and three square meals a day. If any of you are interested, please contact me at [teresak@usdb.org](mailto:teresak@usdb.org) or by phone (801)-557-5648 if you are interested in providing these students with your support. Thanks to all!

# BCGUAA

## Christmas Holiday Get-Together

December 10 at 5-8pm  
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Center of the Deaf and Hard  
of Hearing



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Day	Date	Organization	Event	Location	Time
Mondays	Ongoing	BRCD Seniors	Bowling League	Bonwood Lanes	11:00 AM
Saturdays	Ongoing	UACD	Basketball Practice	SCCDHH	8:00 AM
Saturdays	Ongoing	UACD	Coed Volleyball League	SCCDHH	6:00 PM
Friday	12/3/2004	Ogden Frats	Meeting	Golden Corral	12:30 PM
Saturday	12/4/2004	BRCD Seniors	General Meeting	SCCDHH	9:30 AM
Saturday	12/4/2004	SCCDHH	Open House	SCCDHH	1:00 PM
Wednesday	12/8/2004	SCCDHH	Rights of People with Disabilities	Disability Law Center	3:30 PM
Wednesday	12/15/2004	DSDHH	FREE Legal Clinic	SCCDHH	4:30 PM
Saturday	12/18/2004	UAD	Board Meeting	SCCDHH	10:00 AM
Saturday	12/25/2004	<b>Christmas Day (Holiday)</b>			

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