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#### I. King Jordan Will Retire

I. King Jordan, who became president of Gallaudet University during the 1988 "Deaf President Now" protest, plans to retire on December 31, 2006. His decision was announced at a press conference last Thursday by Glenn Anderson, chairman of the university's board of trustees. "By all traditional measures of a university president, Dr. Jordan excelled," said Anderson. Jordan led Gallaudet's first capital campaign, raising nearly \$40 million, and increased the school's endowment from \$5 million 1988

to \$150 million. He also was a lead witness in Congress in support of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Upon his retirement, he plans to travel with his wife, Linda, spend more time with his family, continue to run marathons, teach scuba diving and remain a voice for deaf empowerment. A nationwide search will soon be underway to select his successor.

Dr. Jordan said that he is "very proud of what has been accomplished since 1988," when he became president and that he has had "the good fortune to be president during a period of growth and prosperity at Gallaudet, as well as during a new era of recognition of the rights and abilities of people who are deaf or hard of hearing."

In his remarks at the press conference, Dr. Jordan thanked his wife of 36 years, Linda Kephart Jordan, for serving as First Lady of the University and for the countless hours she has contributed to his and the University's success. "Gallaudet is well positioned to become even stronger in the future," Jordan said, "and I intend to continue supporting the University in every way I can for many years to come."

"It's the end of an era," said Andrew Phillips, one of many students who crowded into the auditorium for Jordan's announcement. People stood waving their hands in the air, fingers wiggling, or clapping and hooting. Some wiped away tears.

"We love you, King!" a student shouted from the balcony, and many climbed on stage afterward to thank him for changing their lives and to tell him their memories of when they found out he had been named president in 1988.

"He was the representative of what we could do," student Anthony Mowl said through an interpreter," so the world would know deaf people are -- normal. So I'm able to show people what I can do."

Jordan, 62, was the first deaf person to lead the 141year-old school, the only liberal arts university for deaf and hard of hearing people in the world and a cultural center of the deaf community. When a hearing president was named in 1988, a deaf rights movement erupted. Students marched to the White House, the Capitol and the Mayflower Hotel, where trustees were meeting, and demanded change.

Many deaf people remember exactly where they were that year when they learned that Gallaudet would have a 2005 deaf president.

"Finally, the world heard us," Provost Jane Fernandes said. When people talk about watching that news on television, "to this day they get goose bumps on their arms."

Back then, many questioned whether a deaf person could lead the school and raise money, said Ken Levinson, a Gallaudet trustee. But during Jordan's tenure, the university endowment increased

from \$5 million to \$150 million, and federal appropriations rose to more than \$100 million a year. He improved the quality of the faculty, Fernandes said, increased academic rigor and added graduate degree programs in such areas as audiology and linguistics. Not long ago, many finished Gallaudet and could not get jobs. Now, 95 percent of graduates go on to careers or graduate school.

His most important legacy, though, is what he said when he took the job: Deaf people can do anything but hear.

Jordan will stay in office through 2006 to help oversee the search for his successor and, perhaps, the transition. When a student asked whether the next president would be deaf, he laughed. Not that hearing candidates won't be considered, he said, but. . . . Many students said it's unlikely that Gallaudet will ever have a hearing president.

As for the future of the university, he said the primary goal is to be inclusive -- diversity not only in skin color, income, ethnicity and disabilities, but in means of understanding and expression.

"Technology is helping more and more deaf people hear," Jordan said, "but here at Gallaudet, we focus on learning and achieving -- not on listening. So I would still say deaf people can do anything, except hear."



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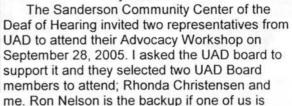
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# President's Message by Rob Kerr The Sanderson Community Center of the



unable to go. I feel strongly that the Advocacy Workshop will help us understand how to be involved in the political process and network more efficiently during the legislative session. We look forward to seeing other organizations benefit from the workshop and we can all work together as a team to set up improved objectives.

During the recent board meeting, I asked for names of people to chair the 2007 UAD Conference since Eli McCowan is already busy as the chair for the 2009 UAD Conference. We asked Linda Berness if she would accept the duty. She accepted with the understanding that she would like to have someone help her. We will help her as much as we can so please let her know if you desire to be on the UAD Conference committee. She would be happy to have you on her committee.

I want to introduce Jay Christensen who is our new UAD Membership Committee chair. You can talk to him if you are interested in joining UAD. He has a membership form and will take it to Dennis Platt for you.

The UAD General Meeting went well with a quorum. We, the members, voted April Trocki and I to be the UAD Delegates at the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana in 2006. Ron Nelson is the alternate delegate. The NAD Conference in New Orleans should be ready by next summer but we are still waiting to hear from NAD. If New Orleans isn't ready, NAD might move to a different city.

The MDUP Handbook was finally approved by the UAD Board. We appreciated Kristi Mortensen, Shirley Snow and former MDUP State Directors, all of whom have worked hard to prepare the MDUP Handbook with Val Kinney's help on grammatical corrections. Shirley Snow is going to ask some people to be the Secretary, Treasurer and Co-Assistant. Then the MDUP Committee plans a big Halloween Party on October 29 at the Sanderson Center. The event is to help Shawnelle Hardman who will go to the NAD Conference next summer. Let's join them and support the event. See you all there!

Please do not forget to <u>circle your calendar</u> to attend the Parliamentary & Secretary workshops on November 12, 2005 at the Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Libby Pollard, former National Association of the Deaf President, will help you to understand how to use Parliamentary and Secretary techniques. Contact Ron Nelson, UAD Secretary, at ron@uad.org to register as soon as possible. Space is limited seats in the Lecture Hall.

UAD Board Meeting
October 15, 2005 at SCCDHH in Taylorsville
10:00 a.m.: Board Meeting (open to public)
Chairman: Nancy O'Brien, nancy@uad.org

# Society Page

# **Wedding Bells**

September 1, 2005 – Stephanie Barney to David Tubbs, in rites performed at the Logan Utah Temple. They were honored that evening at the Roy Central Stake Center.

September 3, 2005 – Janet Perrman to Michael Burnett, in a garden wedding at the home of Mike's mother, LaVerne Burnett, in Ogden. The two reside in Cincinnati, OH. Janet has two children, Sara and Adam, from a previous marriage.

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September 17, 2005 - Ruth Ann



Hutchinson to George Wilding, united in a ceremony performed by Jerry Wilding, George's brother, at the Fair Winds retirement home in Idaho Falls where George's mother, Yordis Wilding, resides.

# A Greater Glory

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September 25, 2005 -



Olive Stanley, 91, passed away at the home of a daughter, surrounded by her loving family. Her husband, Marvin Stanley, passed

away in 1985. Olive was the youngest of nine children and the last survivor. She was blind and deaf, yet her sweet nature and graciousness endeared her to her friends.

She attended Utah School for the Deaf from 1922 to 1936. Betty Hall, administrative assistant at the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, survives her. Funeral and interment took place in Ogden.

# **Jottings**

Karen Schultz

kmschultz.1@netzero.com.

20 Years Ago

October 1985 - Connie Johnston
Day, hosted by the Golden Spike
Athletic Club of the Deaf, will be held
at the Center for the Deaf, beginning at
7:00 pm. Meet the triple gold medalist
of the XV World Games of the Deaf!
The party will feature a program about
Connie and the World Games for the
Deaf. Admission is \$1.00 per person
which includes refreshments.
Chairpersons are Barbara and Fred
Bass.

# Local News/Articles

#### Hospital Roundtable

by Dave Mortensen

The UAD hosted several Language Specialists from various hospitals in Utah at a Roundtable meeting on how to improve and understand the needs of Deaf people who visit hospitals for various reasons: Surgery, MRI, CAT, Emergency Room and the issue of Doctors that have offices in hospitals, also the responsibilities of requiring or a Deaf person having the right to an interpreter of their choice.

The meeting was held at SCCDHH on September 14 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Greeting the participants were President Rob Kerr with Chairman of the UAD Hospital Committee Dave Mortensen following through on the agenda. Dale Boam discussed the ADA Law and Title 2 issues with the group. An issue of which Interpreter Agency in Utah to use for reliable dependency was one topic that was discussed. At the end of the meeting, it was agreed that further discussion including more hospitals should be done. The goal of the UAD is to have all 55 hospitals in Utah conforming to serving any Deaf patient in an understanding way which includes communicating.

# **New TTY Directory Ads**

Ads are welcome for the upcoming 2006-2007 Utah TTY Directory. Camera-ready advertisements are being collected by Dave Mortensen. The sizes and prices are as follows:

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# **Open-Captioned Movies**

Provo (at the Carmike Wynnsong)

October 4-5, "Serenity", PG-13

October 15, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory", PG

October 18-19, "Two for the Money", R

Salt Lake City (at the Carmike Ritz)

October 11-12, "Serenity", PG-13

October 22, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory", PG

October 25-26, "Two for the Money", R

Hurricane (at the Coral Cliffs Cinema 8)

October 22, "The Skeleton Key", PG-13 See www.uad.org/cmoviesutah.



# Local News/Articles



#### JMS Administrator

by Mike Holland
Greetings from Jean Massieu
School!

I would like to introduce myself. I'm Mike Holland, JMS' new program administrator since July of this year.

To know better about me, I was born and raised in Minnesota; graduated from the Minnesota State

Academy for the Deaf; attended Gallaudet University and graduated in 1970. I took a masters program at California State University at Northridge (CSUN) and completed two years later. My teaching career began in mainstreamed classes for the deaf at Los Alamitos (California) High School for one year when the program was dissolved and the students transferred to other schools. Marlton School for the Deaf in Los Angeles was the next educational facility for two years before relocating to the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 1974. I first taught 15 years at CSDB and returned to the school for another 12 years. Between those years I was an iterant teacher in the rural area of southern Colorado.

I'm excited to be at JMS and I already see positive attitude of teachers and students. They are really looking forward to having a great year at JMS. Your support for this school will be greatly appreciated.

Presently, we have an enrollment of 52 students from Pre-Kindergarten to 9th grade. The staff is made up of 14 people—8 teachers, 4 classroom aides, a secretary and myself. Most of them returned from last year when the school was at the old public library in downtown Salt Lake City. We have three new teachers—Lewis Lummer, Misty Morris, and Amber Patterson.

Please come and visit our school. We are located at 1350 W. South Jordan Parkway (10400 S.). Our building is in the back of the American Heritage School.



# BBCD Bowlers Begin League Play

The Bonneville Bowlers Club for the Deaf has began league bowling at Bonwood Bowl, 2500 South Main. They bowl every Monday at 11 a.m. Although the league is officially a seniors bowling league, they can accept bowlers of any age because the Deaf Community is small Cost is \$7.00 each Monday for 3 games, \$5.50 of this is for the bowling alley and the other

\$1.50 is for prize money and club expenses. The \$7.00 is a bargain since daytime seniors bowling is considerably cheaper than evening bowling, which runs \$12.00 to \$13.00.

They have 6 teams of 3 bowlers, mixed. They have two vacancies and would like to find any deaf person, male or female, to bowl with them. Fans who wish to come over to visit while they are bowling are welcome.

Any deaf interested in bowling can contact Fay Young, 295-6823; Norman Williams, 566-0138 or Rhonda Christensen, 567-9229. All three numbers are TTY/VP.

If you are retired or not working Mondays, don't just sit around home getting old and fat. Join the BBCD bowlers and have some fun!

#### Ask the Lawyer!

By Dale Boam

Wills and Trusts.

Every adult who has or expects to have any property or who has a spouse or children should have a Will.

I understand most people hate this topic, because it makes them

think about death. Only really old people need to make a Will, Right? Stop and think about all of the members of the Deaf community here in Utah, under the age of 40, who passed away in the last two years. It can happen to anyone. A lawyer friend of mine says, "Everyone is one drunk driver, or doctor's visit away from wishing that they had talked to me sooner." It's a bad joke, but it's true. If you have children, a Will or Trust is vital! If anything happened to you and your partner (spouse, significant other...). What would happen to your children? Who would take care of them?

A Will is a written legal document that tells people who survive you such things as:

Which people and organizations you choose to receive your property - both personal property and real estate;

Which person you wish to be guardian for your children under 18 if there is no surviving parent;

Who will be your "personal representative" (the person or trust company that you wish to handle your affairs after your death) and an alternate personal representative:

In some cases, how to avoid or minimize, in a legal way, any taxes your estate or your family may owe; and What special provisions, perhaps by means of a trust, you want to set up for the care of your minor children or some other family members who may have special needs.

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#### Ask the Lawyer!

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Anyone who is 18 or older and "of sound mind" can make a Will; you must understand what you own, how much it is worth (called your "estate"), and identify the people to whom you are leaving your estate in your Will.

If you do not leave a valid Will, the court distributes your estate to your relatives in a way set out by law. This is called "intestate succession." The law will treat all your property the same and distribute it according to its money value; no special provisions for heirlooms, jewelry, or the family business. If your legal heirs do not agree among themselves as to dividing your property, it may be necessary to sell property to achieve the distribution of value required by law.

If you do not name a guardian and if there is no surviving parent, the court will appoint a guardian for your children. This may not be the person you or your spouse would have wished.

Next month ... Probate!

# What's Up in Southern Utah?

by Joyanne Burdett

Howdy from cooler Southern Utah!

In a nutshell, the Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Programs office continues to become busier and busier daily with people coming and going. That, indeed, is great news!

Melissa Burbidge had been hired to work full-time now, which is another happy news. The vacancy left by Becky Torgerson, the VR counselor

for the Deaf and HH who moved to Oregon where her husband is pursuing studies at a university, was just filled by Ann Fuller who is moving from Fremont, California. She worked at Ohlone College as the interpreting services coordinator for 8 years. We feel doubly fortunate to find such a talented as well as ASL fluent person to fill the position. She commenced her position in mid-September. We were saddened to lose one of our Educational Specialists, Julie McCleave, who moved to Salt Lake City with her husband and two children. She deserves many thanks from us all for her devotion to hold the fort until the SUDHHP office opened its door last year. We wish them much happiness in their new ventures! This vacancy will be filled shortly. We feel blessed to still have Mari Moss, our other Educational Specialist.

The Ladies' Night on Thursday, August 18, was a whale of fun for 7 of us. Browsing the Thursday Night Street Fair filled with booths and various activities and in

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several great antique stores and enjoying every bite of delicious ice cream at the newly opened Blue Bunny shop was what we did!

The knitting group met again on September 8th. The room was filled with enthusiasm and excitement as we agreed to crochet/knit caps for newborn babies and donate them to the hospital in St. George. As always, we learned so much more from our wonderful teachers, Bonnie Christensen and Dorothy Weaver. Their volunteerism is much appreciated!

October is going to be an unbelievably "on the go" month!

October 4, 11, 18 and 25: Living with Hearing Loss October 5, 12 and 19: Coping Skills with Hearing

October 5, 12, 19 and 26: ASL I & II, and CASE

October 5: Terp Time

October 13: Knitting Group

October 13 and 20: Skin Care Classes 1 and 2

October 14 and 15 (pending) Zion's Camping/Hiking

October 20: SHHH

October 22: OC Movie "The Skeleton Key"

October 27 and 28: (pending) Hard of Hearing Conference

October 28 - Social at Ivins Park

Yeah...we are busy but loving it here in the Southern Utah! Stay in touch!

# Local News/Articles

#### JMS Passed NCLB

The Jean Massieu School recently passed the No Child Left Behind test mandated by federal law. But No Child Left Behind reports also can be misleading. They don't mean, for instance, acceptable numbers of students are on grade level in reading and math. Nor do they mean all students are clearing the now higher bar. They mostly show academic achievement is rising.

No Child Left Behind aims to shine a spotlight on school weaknesses, pressuring them to focus on groups of students who historically fall behind. The law requires all public schoolchildren, regardless of race, disability, income or English attainment, to read and do math well

Utah raises its achievement expectations every other year — including this one — until it reaches the 100 percent mark.

Movement toward the goal is measured by "Adequate Yearly Progress" reports. Schools either must have enough students scoring as proficient, or have moved enough students up from the bottom, and have 95 percent of students in each student group taking the tests. If one group founders, the whole school fails.



#### **Ben Davis**

The September 2005 issue of the Sandy Journal contained an article on Ben Davis on page 2. Among other things, he designed the float representing the Sandy Mount Jordan stake in the 2005 Days of '47 Parade. Because of his work on the float, he was interviewed by Channel 5 News on the day of the preview party.

Last year, the Sanderson Center for the Deaf in Taylorsville purchased one of his paintings to hang in their lobby. He was one of three artists invited to display paintings at the Deaflympics 2007 Committee Meeting.

Ben doesn't spend all of his time behind an easel though. "I like to paint mostly, play basketball and golf and that's pretty much it."

by Theresa A. Husarik, Sandy Journal, September 2005

# Signs of Good Art

When he was five years old, Edward Hofseth lost his ability to hear. "I was kicked in the ear and went deaf from



the injury," Hofseth said. (left: Jerry, Ruth and Nancy Taylor.)

(right: Artist Edward Hofseth) Because there was no school for the deaf in his

hometown of Anchorage, Alaska, Hofseth, now 44, moved to Ogden to attend the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind. After graduating in 1972, he returned to Alaska and took up painting.

On Monday, Hofseth was back in Ogden visiting family and friends. While in town he stopped to see the students at his old school and brought with him a number of his paintings.

"I started to learn to paint when I was 14 years old." he signed to the children. "I wanted to be like Rockwell. I loved him and I wanted to follow in his footsteps."

Hofseth told the children that he began traveling with his camera. When he saw a scene that he liked, he would take a picture and then go back home and paint the scene. Pictures of moose, caribou, mountains, rivers and fishermen were set up on display for the students to see.

Hofseth's stepson, Jeff Bukovick, said Hofseth receives calls from all over the nation asking about his paintings. "They call him and ask him to come to their state and paint something for them," he said. "They also ask about buying his paintings."

"He's amazing," said administrator Betty Hall. "Any time the children can see a deaf adult accomplishing great things it gives them inspiration. It opens their eyes to the possibilities that they can have one day. It's very exciting for them."

Hofseth said he would come back and visit the students next year and bring more paintings with him.

"I'm going back to Alaska on Wednesday but I will come back and show you more," he said. "I love my work and I thank God that I have this talent."

By Jamie Lampros, Standard-Examiner, August 30, 2005

# "Be Grateful For Your **Epidermis**"

Be grateful for your epidermis also known as "skin".

It keeps the world outside outside and holds your insides in.

Be grateful for your epidermis also called your "hide".

It keeps your hair out in the air and holds your bones inside

Be grateful you have epidermis hanging all about.

A lack of skin lets outside in and dumps your insides out.

Be grateful for your epidermis it's your body's leather --

and thank your skin, through thick and thin for holding you together!



# MDUP's 4th Annual Halloween Party

6:00 p.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday, October 29, 2005

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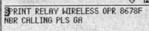


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Tuesdays	Ongoing	Deaf Seniors of Utah	Card Games	SCCDHH	9:00 AM
Saturday	10/1/2005	BSCD	Regular Meeting	SCCDHH	9:30 AM
Friday	10/7/2005	Ogden NFSD Division #127	Meeting	Golden Corral	12:30 PM
Saturday	10/8/2005	BSCD	General (bylaw) Meeting	SCCDHH	9:30 AM
Monday	10/10/2005	Columbus Day (Holiday)			
Tuesday	10/11/2005	Deaf Seniors of Utah	Business Meeting	SCCDHH	9:00 AM
Wendnesday	10/12/2005	JMS	Advisory Council Meeting	JMS	6:00 PM
Saturday	10/15/2005	UAD	Board Meeting	SCCDHH	10:00 AM
Wednesday	10/19/2005	DSDHH	FREE Legal Clinic	SCCDHH	3:00 PM
Wednesday	10/19/2005	UACD	Board Meeting	SCCDHH	7:00 PM
Wednesday	10/26/2005	DSDHH	Doctors, Lawyers & Other Private Businesses: ADA Titles I and III	SCCDHH	6:00 PM
Saturday	10/29/2005	MDUP	4th Annual Halloween Bash	SCCDHH	6:00 PM

Add your organization's event to the Calendar anytime.

See entire 2005 Calendar at www.uad.org/calendar