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New MDUP State Director Appointed

Andrea Anderson is the new director of Miss Deaf Utah Pageant this year. She has had some experience in contributing her skills in several areas. She was the entertainment chair for 2005 Utah Association for the Deaf Conference. 2003 was Andrea's busy year. She served her time as stage manager for Miss Deaf Utah Pageant in 2003 and chaired 2003 NWADB Basketball.

In her young days, Ms. Anderson was the 1996-1998 Miss Deaf Idaho (she was the last queen of IAD). She won in the evening gown competition at 1997 Miss Deaf America Pageant. Before she was involved in Miss Deaf Idaho pageant, she was the performer in 1996 Miss Mini Cassia Pageant.

Andrea commented, "I'm very excited to be the new state director of the Miss Deaf Utah Pageant organization. The biggest reason I'm so excited is that my new MDUP advisor will be Katrina Lee. Because she was involved in the Miss Utah Pageant in early 1990's, she has so much to contribute to the new MDUP committee. She and I have got together and brainstormed to find people from the deaf community that we would like to have be involved with the pageant organization. New faces mean new ideas!"

She is very much looking forward to working with the youth and the people of the deaf community in connection with Miss Deaf Utah Pageant.

Deaflympics Celebrate One Year Anniversary

By Valerie Kinney

In between snowstorms, a celebration was held on February 2, with a luncheon at LaCaille for Board of Directors and committee heads. Dwight Benedict, chairman of the 16th Winter Deaflympics, and Lawrence Fleischer, president of the USA Deaf Sports Federation, as well as Gerry Francini, chairlady of the day's celebration, gave brief comments. Their common theme was that without volunteers, the Deaflympics would not have been possible.

Gerry Francini and Dennis Platt were awarded the President's Award and Art Kruger Award respectively, by the USA Deaf Sports Federation. The Art Kruger Award is for the deserving individual who demonstrates leadership and continuous participation, support and contribution in the Federation over an extended period of time.

Over 200 volunteers flocked to the Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for a volunteer appreciation reception.

Merchandise was given away.

Dwight Benedict presented Lawrence Fleischer a plaque which contained the three Deaflympics competition medals and three Deaflympics demonstration medals. An identical plaque will be given to International Sports Committee for the Deaf, located in Frederick, Maryland.

torch which was lit but not used).

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Torches were presented to
International Committee on Sports
for the Deaf (the torch used to light cauldron) and USADSF, with Lawrence Fleischer accepting on its behalf (the backup

Torch replicas were presented to Ron Burdett on behalf of Sorenson Communication and Sorenson Legacy Foundation; Bobbie Beth Scoggins on behalf of CSD (Communication Services for the Deaf); Bill Wing on behalf of Colonial Flag; and Dwight Benedict.

The reception ended with the dedication of the cauldron next to the Lecture Hall, along with a plaque giving names of Board of Directors members and committee heads, as

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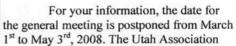
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President's Message

By Rob Kerr



for the Deaf (UAD) will have the agenda from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Lecture hall at the Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (SCCDHH). Reminders will run again in April and May to help you remember. The specific agenda will be announcing thru UAD Announce. UAD members will receive a letter to bring to the meeting, so hope to see all of you there. We will bring up to discuss on the expenses for representatives who will be attending the National Association of the Deaf Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana this summer. I encourage all of you to join with us at the general meeting and debate on bills to modify constitution and by-laws to fit our needs.

The deadline for proposals on the UAD Bylaws and Constitution is April 1, 2008. Please mail to Duane Kinner, UAD Vice-President, UAD Bookstore, 5709 South 1500 West, Taylorsville, Utah 84123-5217, or send them via email to Duane@uad.org.

The final proposals, prepared by the Law Committee, will be mailed to members on April 25, 2008 or you may request the letter to be sent thru your email.

Jeff Pollock resigned as UAD Board member, and we want to wish him good luck. UAD Board will appoint a new person to fill the vacancy next month or in April. Once we have new board member, we will notify you thru UAD Announce.

The 16th Winter Deaflympics article and picture is showing now in Deaf Nation. You can click this http://www.deafnation.com/ and look for it. Try to get in and see for yourself, it will give you a good idea what it was. The cauldron is now at SCCDHH and you may stop by there to look at it as well as see other things you may expect: plagues on the wall, several paintings of Winter sports, two different large printing pictures of Arch that Church Baird who painted and more. Come and visit at SCCDHH when you can.

Impatient for Spring? Read a Movie

Check out the latest movies and times at: www.uad.org/cmoviesutah



Society Page

To a Greater Glory



January 22, 2008 - Harry Ray Clarkson, age 63, died in Eagle Mountain, Utah. He was the father of Cathy Holt of Eagle Mountain. Funeral services took place in Lehi.

January 23, 2008 - Dustin Aldous, 35, died at his home in Farmington following a prolonged illness. He had an uplifting sense of humor and loved the outdoors. He enjoyed fishing, camping, boating and had a tremendous love for his two dogs, Buddy and Rip. Funeral services and interment took place in Ogden.



January 23, 2008 - Lena Lucero, 97, passed away surrounded by family and friends. She was a very caring person, one who continually worried about her family. A funeral mass was celebrated in Salt Lake City, with committal in the same city. She was the grandmother of Kathy Bolin.

January 26, 2008 – Robert O'Brien, 74, died in Logan. He loved to learn, and educated himself by reading and studying many topics including law, politics, world affairs, and religion, and was happy to share whatever information he had to help anyone in need. Bob was an avid sports fanatic, watching different games on two separate televisions simultaneously on a regular basis. Funeral services were



held in Logan. He is survived by Dixie Lee, his wife of 49 years and sister, Nancy Lee O'Brien.

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USDB North Region, the new director is Trena Roueche'
USDB Central Region, the new director is Liz Parker

20 Years Ago

March 1988 - March Happenings

Friday 25th - "Bring a Neighbor," a program designed to introduce hearing people to services available to deaf people, will be held from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Center for the Deaf. Deaf people, bring a neighbor, a coworker, a friend who would like to know more about deaf people and services.

Handel's Messiah

Handel's Messiah will be held again this year, at Ellen Eccles Theater in Logan. There are three showings:

March 28 at 7:00 pm

March 29 at 1:00 pm (special famil matinee)

March 29 at 7:00 pm

Tickets on sale at Cache Center for the Arts. Sponsored by Cache Community Connection. www.multiculturalmessiah.org

News & Articles

NAD Settles Complaint Against Delaware Cardiovascular Associates

Posted January 30, 2008

The National Association of the Deaf (NAD) settled a complaint, filed with the United States Department of Justice against Delaware Cardiovascular Associates, a group of cardiologists located in Delaware. The complaint, which was filed in June 2007, alleged that Delaware Cardiovascular Associates charged a patient for the cost of providing a sign language interpreter.

As part of the agreement, Delaware Cardiovascular Associates agreed not to charge deaf and hard of hearing individuals for the cost of providing sign language interpreters. Delaware Cardiovascular Associations further strengthened its policy to ensure effective communication with their deaf and hard of hearing patients.

"The NAD is pleased that Delaware Cardiovascular Associates has become more fully informed about their responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act," said Bobbie Beth Scoggins, President of the NAD. "We expect that health care providers to provide auxiliary aids and services to ensure effective communication with individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing."

The patient and his wife responded to the settlement by sending a note to the NAD stating, "Please thank everyone at the NAD legal office for us! We are truly happy with the final outcome. Most importantly, improved services to deaf patients will happen because of this effort."

Source: http://www.nad.org/site/pp.asp?c=foINKQMBF&b=3876577

Share Your Story on the Consumers Union Website

Consumers Union, which publishes Consumer Reports has, generally, not tested products and filed reports on features that are important to people with hearing loss. However, Consumers Union has established its "Hear Us Now" project that gives voice to consumers who are experiencing problems in the following categories: Internet, TV & Radio, Cable & Satellite, Phones & Cell Phones, and Media Ownership.

If you are experiencing problems regarding telephone, cable and internet services, or equipment, you are invited to "Share Your Story" by going to http://www.hearusnow.org/other/share. The form at that website will enable you to tell

about your experiences in dealing with problems, and perhaps solving them, in the listed categories. If you submit a story, Consumers Union may edit it for clarity and return it to you for your approval before publishing your story. Also, by accessing this website, you may learn from the experiences of other consumers.

If people with hearing loss use this communication resource offered by Consumers Union, visibility into the issues faced by this population can be increased. Perhaps, if a sufficient number of stories are submitted, Consumers Union may take an interest in testing and reporting on telecommunications products and services regarding their use by people with hearing loss.

Gourmet Cooking: The Art and Science behind Good Food

What makes food taste good? How do you make flavors work together? How can I make an impressive presentation when I serve food? Come get the answers to these questions! Food samples every class!

The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month March 11th, 25th and April 8th and 22nd 6 pm to 7:30 pm at the Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Classes cost \$5 in advance (prepay at the front desk) or \$10 at the door the first night.

Classes will be taught in English with ASL interpreters. FM systems will be available and Cart (upon request 2 weeks in advance) Please register for class by emailing: dsdhhregistration@utah.gov by March 1st, 2008.

Family History Library

Classes are now held every Saturday (not Wednesday) from 1:00 pm to 2:30 at the Family History Library, 35 N. West Temple in Salt Lake City. Classes will be taught in sign language on various subjects; PAF 5.2, Pedigree, Seek Your Ancestry, Family Search Indexing, TempleReady, and many more subjects.

The classroom has computers so you can practice and improve your genealogy skills.

Free parking is available from 8:30 am to 3 pm on North Temple between West Temple and 200 West.

If you need help one-on-one with a deaf missionary using sign language, please make an appointment by calling (801) 240-6745 VP and ask for Elder Cochran.

Any questions or comments should be made to Elder Cochran by calling (801) 240-6745 VP during daytime hours.

News & Articles



Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Programs News

By Emily Tanner

The Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Programs is being expanded slightly. Read more for more details!

First, we are thrilled to welcome Karen Butler as the programs assistant who began working in December 2007. She with much enthusiasm has been working to establish various of events and classes for the Southern Utah community with hearing loss. Karen is Hard of Hearing and knows sign language. She also works at the Dixie Regional Medical Center as a Phlebotomist.

We miss Maggie Seppi Smith who was the Programs Assistant before moving to Salt Lake City to attend school at Westminster College. The Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is very blessed to have her and her enterprise in helping develop programs and activities.

We are thrilled to expand some programs in the southern Utah area. With the collaboration with the Utah Interpreters Program (UIP), the ICAN program is now in the process of reviewing applications from current and prospective interpreters for mentorship to assist them in improving their signing and voicing skills with interpreting. Terp Time meets once on the 2nd Saturday of each month to discuss different topics to help improve the knowledge and increase the skills of interpreters for Southern Utah. Along with Terp Time, the office will provide some workshops for interpreters through the year. We are in the process of having a room arranged as a lab for interpreters to use for studying for the certification exam, view videos, practice interpreting techniques, take the interpreting exams and more. The building block to the legislators for the 2009 fiscal year requests for increase pay for interpreters. Southern Utah, as well as northern Utah struggles with having enough and keeping good interpreters on board due to competition with other companies and agencies in the private sector.

The other request is to hire a full-time Hard of Hearing Specialist who will work directly with people who have hearing loss in coping with their hearing loss, learning different communication modes, explaining about the different assistive technology available, and plan workshops or/and activities. A demonstration room will be established where different assistive technology will be placed and used to show people about each device and how they work. The Hard of Hearing population here in southern Utah has grown immensely and continues to increase daily.

The last request is for money to help with the rental of a bigger building space we are expected to move in sometime

this spring. With the move, there will be more room to expand the various programs we need and desire for the Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities, as well as interpreters and others.

Our office is also working on establishing a kids' club for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, siblings of Deaf, children of Deaf adults (CODAs), and grandchildren of Deaf grandparents. Children will meet monthly to socialize and improve their communication skills as well as relate to one another and enjoy some fun activities.

We are very thrilled to expand our programs and provide more services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities for Southern Utah! We appreciate your continued support! You are welcome to use our services! We can be contacted at (435) 673-8974 Voice/TTY/Video Phone and emilytan-ner@utah.gov.

Men are from Mars and Women are from Venus – A Great Success!

By Joene Nicolaisen

Sego Lily Center for the Abused Deaf held its' annual fund raising event sponsored by Sprint on February 9, 2008 at the Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. With over 215 people attending, the delightful evening consisted of an opening skit by Trenton Marsh using his wonderful ASL story-telling skills to illustrate the ongoing, male-versus-female debate of the toilet seat down or up! This was a very funny and perfect lead-in for the play, "Men are from Mars and Women are from Venus," performed in American Sign Language by two nationally known Deaf actors, Mindy Moore and Theron Parker. The play told the story of a couple married for 20 years, showing the ups and downs of relationships often filled with humor. The evening also included a delicious dessert buffet (cakes, cookies and a popular chocolate fountain), many wonderful door prizes and a quilt raffle. A beautiful quilt was handcrafted and generously donated by Eli McCowan for the raffle. Goff Photography was also on hand to take photos of couples, families, and friends.

Throughout the evening Sprint gave demonstrations of many new exciting technological products. Justin Anderson of the Utah Athletic Club for the Deaf showed a preview of a movie, "Wrong Game" by ASL Films and featuring Mindy Moore which will be shown in March 2008. Watch for announcements!

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Men are from Mars...

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As the Executive Director for SLCAD, I want to take a moment to say, "Thank You" to many, many people as it takes a team to make such a wonderful evening like this happen! First of all thank you Sprint for the community sponsorship. Many thanks to the awesome Sego Lily Board members (Linda

Berness, Cherie Hodson, Jennifer Kelly, Karen Kelley Eli McCowan, Kim Thornsberry, and Sari Williams), special volunteers (Julie Lamb, Laura Hansen and



Adele Sigoda), as well as many community volunteers for all your hard work for pulling the event together and putting special touches on everything. Thanks to the Utah Association for the Deaf Bookstore staff for selling tickets for us and the Sanderson Community Center for the use of the space and terrific event staff. Thanks to Trenton Marsh, Mindy Moore and Theron Parker for their time and talents.

Very, very special thanks to the community - for all those who came to the play to show support for Sego Lily Center. If I have forgotten anyone, I apologize as everyone efforts are truly, truly appreciated. The funds raised during the event will help greatly to expand our children and teen programs. Your kindness and generosity will not be forgotten.

Remember abuse is not okay in our community or any community. If you or someone you know is experiencing abuse now or in the past, please know that there is help. More information is available on our web site: www.slcad.org.

Yoga Classes

Wednesdays March 12th through April 16th (March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16) from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at the Sanderson Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Classes will be taught in English with ASL interpreters provided.

Classes cost \$10 in advance (pay at the front desk) Or \$2 a class at the door (if you prepay you get one free class). Register by February 27th to be guaranteed a spot in class by

emailing <u>dsdhhregistration@utah.gov</u>. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel and a bottle of water to every class.

Don't miss this class it will be a wonderful opportunity! Please contact Maggie Seppi at mseppi@utah.gov if you need any other accommodations or have any questions.

Quilt Walk Informative Meeting

Would you like to go Panguitch and see over 200 beautiful quilts hanging downtown?

There have been discussions about gathering deaf quilters to go to Quilt Walk in Panquitch, Utah. It is a 3 1/2 hours drive south of Salt Lake. We would leave the afternoon of June 11th and return the evening of June 13th. There is a packet available in the Sanderson Center's Lobby if you are interested in joining us. We need to make reservations as soon as possible because classes are getting booked up. You will provide your own hotel, food, spending money, and class registration. We will provide transportation and interpreters.

A quilt walk informative meeting is planned for Friday, March 7, 2008, at 6:30pm to be held at the Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, 5709 West 1500 South, Taylorsville, UT 84123.

It is very important for you to please read the packets if you're interested in joining us. Also, feel free to check the website www.quiltwalk.com. Please do not email Robin Traveller or Linda Berness, just come to this important meeting. Read the packet now and bring your questions to this meeting.



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Calendar Events for March 2008

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Day	Date Organization	Event Loca	ation	Time	Contact
Monday	3/17/08	St. Patrick's Day			
Sunday	3/23/08	Easter			

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