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Congratulations and Farewell!



Go visit Miss Deaf Utah's Blog, and see a movie sharing about Andrea Vigil's experience at Miss Deaf America at <http://missdeafutah.blogspot.com/>

Andrea Vigil's term as Miss Deaf Utah 2009-2010 has come to an end as service requirement is one year. Andrea Vigil gave a presentation on August 14 to the Utah Association for the Deaf board meeting about her experiences at the Miss Deaf America competition during the National

Association for the Deaf Convention week held July 6 to 11.

She will be attending Gallaudet University this fall as she received a leadership scholarship.

Here are a few comments by Andrea Vigil, Miss Deaf Utah 2009-2010. I loved being Miss Deaf Utah. Before becoming Miss Deaf Utah, I was just being myself, working and going on with my life as usual. When I became involved with this MDUAP (Miss Deaf Utah Ambassador Program), it changed my life because I met so many people from all walks of life. I was able to expand my passion, work with the deaf community and so many opportunities came up while I was Miss Deaf Utah.

One of my favorite appearances as Miss Deaf Utah was the Miss Deaf Princess event, because of the young girls who were involved. They experienced being on the stage, sharing their talents, personalities and wearing their favorite dresses. I believe it was a positive experience for the girls. During this event, I was able to share with the Utah deaf community my talent, platform, and my evening gown presentation. I was also able to get feedback from the UAD board which helped me prepare for the Miss Deaf America pageant in Philadelphia, PA. The experience in Philadelphia will be unforgettable and a changing part of my life. It feels great to have confidence in myself and to know so many people believed in me as their representative for Utah.

I encourage all interested young women in our community to participate in MDUAP. It can be very challenging to be the best you can be as you showcase your intellect, talents, style, personality and passion. You also get to meet many wonderful people who share common interests and goals. You can make a difference!

Farewell to all, and I would like to end with my favorite motto, "Live life loud and proud!!!" Andrea Vigil, Miss Deaf Utah 2009 -2010.

From the state director, Andrea Anderson next MDUAP competition will take place on June 5 2011. For interested volunteers or young women to participate, please email Andrea at andrealuvski@gmail.com

Hamilton Relay Appoints New Outreach Coordinator for Relay Utah

Emily Simmonds to Lead Awareness Efforts for Relay Throughout State

Hamilton Relay was awarded the state contract for Utah to provide relay telecommunications services. Simmonds brings a wealth of experience to support our team with our education efforts and we are fortunate to have her," said Julie Orchard, Relay Utah state administrator. "In addition, we look forward to working with Hamilton Relay to implement new programs in the state and in turn, unite the communities of individuals who can benefit from the relay service and our telephone distribution program."

Relay is a free and easy-to-use communication service that connects people who are deaf, hard of hearing or have difficulty speaking with people who use standard telephones. Simmonds will act as a relay expert and serve as a resource



for individuals, businesses and organizations to promote the variety of outreach programs available in Utah. She will travel throughout the state to deliver presentations and prepare exhibits in order to help connect individuals with appropriate relay solutions. Relay, Simmonds conducted outreach for Coca-Cola and Microsoft, worked as a high school American Sign Language teacher and is a talented freelance photographer. She enjoys running, biking, tennis and traveling with her husband and three children.

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Senior Citizen Lunch Menu

Wednesdays, September 2010 at 12 Noon

1st: Pork Rib Patty, honey glazed sauce, mixed bean, pumpkin rice pudding, hamburger bun, BBQ, slaw, milk.

8th: Vegetable lasagna, cheese on lasagna, Italian green beans, winter fruit compote, breadstick, margarine, car-rifruit salad, milk.

15th: Chicken marinara casserole, chuckwagon corn, broccoli cuts, multi-grain bread, margarine, brownie drop, milk

22nd: Swiss steak, whip pot w/skins, spinach, corn o'brien, ma's honey ww bread, margarine, ambrosia pudding, milk

29th: Veal patty, brown gravy, orzo rice pasta, broccoli, parslied carrots, mg bread, margarine, gold delicious apple, milk.

Deadline to pay for next Wednesday's lunch is Friday at noon.

There are new developments, based on the past Wednesday lunch:

- a. no refunds if you are sick or cannot not come on that day due an unexpected conflict
- b. no ticket transfers
- c. deadline is always on Friday at noon

If you want to show up to pay for the next lunch without notifying Linda Berness by every Friday at noon, then you will be placed on a waiting list. If there is any left over, late buyers can purchase their meal at the same price.

If you have any questions, please contact those people here below:

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WEDDINGS

August 30 - Jacqueline Patterson to Kevin Bishop, in wedding rites performed at the LaCaille. Kevin is a son of Kerry and Judy Bishop of South Jordan.

OBITUARIES

July 22, 2010 – Dan Greenwood, 55, passed away of Crohn's disease. He lived most of his adult life in Nevada, and worked for Newmont Gold Co. and Elko county School District where he retired in 2010.. He was the son of Lucy Greenwood and a brother of Jean Thomas, both of Roy. Memorial services for Dan will be on Saturday, October 9, 2010, at the Roy 24th Ward Chapel, 5900 South 3100 West, at 1 pm; services will be interpreted for the Deaf..

July 27, 2010 – Carol Ormond, 75, passed away peacefully due to health complications. Services were held in Provo with burial in the Spanish Fork Cemetery.

NEWS OF NOTE

The Utah Valley Deaf Ward has a new bishop – Nathan Van de Graaff. First counselor is Reid Simonsen, and second counselor is Brady Cluff.

20 Years Ago – Letter Regarding Kimberly Clark

Here is additional information I would like to share on the battle against discrimination in Ogden. Perhaps it will make things more clear. Sharon Guerrero fought for the deaf against discrimination. It took many hours and weeks and months of hard work. Her work has helped companies, including Kimberly Clark, to know that deaf people are good workers and can do many kinds of jobs. This will open many opportunities for the deaf in many companies.

Hats off to Sharon for standing up for the deaf people. Sharon left "Ability Utah" to go back to school. Her goal is to someday be a lawyer and continue her noble battle for the rights of all deaf people.

The U.S. Senate passed the Twenty-first Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 (S. 3304)

The U.S. Senate passed the Twenty-first Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 (S. 3304) on August 5, 2010, by unanimous consent! Thanks to the extraordinary efforts of advocates across the country and in Washington, DC, the Coalition of Organizations for Accessible Technology (COAT), of which the NAD is a leader and steering committee member along with other disability organizations, secured a monumental step forward in accessible technology. Earlier this week, Senator Pryor (D-AR) introduced an amendment to improve S. 3304. S. 3304, as amended, was passed by U.S. Senate by unanimous consent. Like H.R. 3101, which was passed on July 26, 2010, S. 3304 will also:

- Require captioned television programs to be captioned when delivered over the Internet.
- Authorize the FCC to require 7 hours per week of video description on the top 4 network channels and top 5 cable channels nationwide.
- Allocate up to \$10 million per year for equipment used by individuals who are deaf-blind.
- Require televised emergency information to be accessible to individuals who are blind or have low vision.
- Require accessible advanced communications equipment and services, such as text messaging and e-mail.
- Require access to Internet services that are built-in to mobile telephone devices, like smart phones, if achievable.
- Require devices of any size to be capable of displaying closed captioning, delivering available video description, and making emergency information accessible.
- Require accessible user controls for televisions and set-top boxes, and easy access to closed captioning and video description.
- And more.

For more information, see the section-by-section summary of what S.3304 (as amended) will do for us at <http://www.coataccess.org/node/9776>.

S. 3304 will now go to the House of Representatives. Our coalition, COAT, supports and expects the House will pass S. 3304 soon. Job well done, everyone! Like the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) 20 years ago, we are making history now!

Local News

Utah Hosts Deaf Japanese Youth

This year marks 14 years for Deaf Japanese Youth coming to Utah. Every year a group of 5 to 8 students make their way across the Pacific Ocean on to American soil with a final stop here in Salt Lake City, Utah. This year we had 7 awesome Deaf Japanese youth. Some of them had never met or known each other. They became acquainted during their flight trip to Utah and became very good friends on the way back home to Japan. They live in various parts of Japan.

Throughout their week-long stay here in Salt Lake City, we had 5 host families – some of them took two students and some took one. The host families' responsibilities were to provide them a place to sleep and provide breakfast and dinner. In the evenings the Japanese students experienced what families tend to do. During the day, the International Communication and Education coordinator and I provided sightseeing trips. It was an enriching experience for everyone including host families. The host families and deaf Japanese students learned quite a lot about each other. The Japanese students were in awe at how big the American houses are; we have access to grocery stores 24/7; every house has grassy yards; the freeways are spacious; and finally they were in awe how cheap it is to get a driver's license, and that even deaf individuals could get one.

Two highlights during their stay were 1. Camp at Zion's Peak with other deaf campers. The students' experience camping here in Utah was so different from that of Japan. At home, they do not experience the cold during summer nights in the mountains. 2. Checking their ancestors at Family History Library.

At the end we had a farewell party, along with host families. The students provided a true cultural farewell performance. The next morning I provided a final gift for every student before they left for the airport returning home to their homeland. Some students have kept contact with host families and with Ron and me. Some of them wish to return to Utah. A few want to continue their higher education here. We told them that they are always welcome here.

We will see how that goes next year. That is if some return like some did come two years ago when they first came three years ago.

If you are interested in becoming a host family you may contact me at this email address kmortensen12@comcast.net. A pre-orientation will be required. I will let you know when.

The photos here show the farewell party and a special gift to Utah from Japan. The gift is handmade by one of the students' deaf grandmother – a very talented doll maker.



MICAELA PAULONE EVELINA GAINA JOETTE PAULONE
TOMMY KORN PAUL AMANN CHRISTOPHER B. CORRIGAN



BLACK SAND

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2010 @ 7:00 PM (CLOSED CAPTION)
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2010 @ 2:00 PM (CLOSED CAPTION)
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2010 @ 8:00 PM (NO CLOSED CAPTION)

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September 2010—Major Holidays Calendar

- 2. VJ Day, WWII**
- 6. Labor Day**
- 8. Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown**
- 12. Grandparents Day**
- 17. Constitution Day**
- 18. Yom Kippur**
- 21. International Peace Day (UN)**
- 22. Autumnal Equinox**
- 22. Sukkot begins at sundown**
- 24. Native American Day**

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To contact Emily Simmonds, please email her at emily.simmonds@hamiltonrelay.com

"Hamilton Relay provides freedom for individuals to connect over the telephone independently with hearing friends, family and businesses," said Emily Simmonds, outreach coordinator for Relay Utah. "It is rewarding to be joining the outreach August 11, 2010, Aurora, NE – Hamilton Relay today

announced the appointment of Emily Simmonds as the new outreach coordinator for Relay Utah. In this role, Simmonds will lead education and awareness programs to ensure that residents who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, or have difficulty speaking will have access to Hamilton Relay services.

"In January 2010 team at Relay Utah and represent Hamilton Relay as we work to help continue to reach and inform residents of Utah about the services available to them to help regain their independence and improve their quality of life." Simmonds has a solid background with American Sign Language and is experienced in deaf culture. As a native of Utah, she is familiar with the different regions of the state and attuned to particular needs in certain areas. Prior to working with Hamilton Relay, Simmonds conducted outreach for Coca-Cola and Microsoft, worked as a high school American Sign Language teacher and is a talented freelance photographer. She enjoys running, biking, tennis and traveling with her husband and three children.

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