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Deaf Tech Fair

Deaf Tech Fair sponsored by WV Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing was held at Charleston Civic Center on Saturday, June 12, 2010, from 10 a.m. til 4 p.m. They had approximately 16 exhibition booths demonstrating their services and products. The exhibitors were WVAD, Pierpont CTC, Mallory

Enterprise, Mark/Janelle St. Martin, FSU – Pierpont, ADA Coalition, MountWest CTC, Sorenson, WV Relay, Sprint Relay, WVCDHH, and few others. Some of the exhibitors had an opportunity to do a presentation for 30 minutes about their services. Also, there were workshops about knowing your ADA rights and

responsibilities, the new mandatory WV interpreter registry, and WVCDHH town hall meeting. They also provided an activity room for children to spend time doing some fun things.

The next Deaf Tech Fair will be held in 2012, date to be announced later. Hope you will come to this informative fair. ■

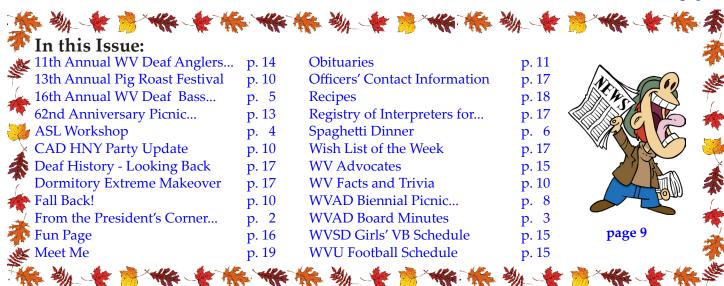


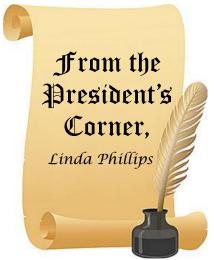
Linda Phillips, President of WV Association of the Deaf, giving a presentation about WVAD.



The audience at the Deaf Tech Fair.

(See Deaf Tech Fair Photos on page 7)







Dear Members and Friends,

This summer has been quite hot! Now it's almost over. I am enjoying the cooler weather and I bet you are too!

We had a good time at the WVAD biennial picnic that was held on August 7, 2010, at Bulltown campground/park.

We need to start planning our WVAD conference that will be held next year on August 4-6, 2011, in Charleston, West Virginia. We will set up a couple of workshops and will plan some evening events. If you have any suggestions and/or ideas for the conference, please let us know and we will look into them. Be sure to mark your calendar and check our website – www.wvad.org – for more information and/or updates on the conference. At the same time, if you know of any upcoming events that need to be posted on our website, please send me the dates and locations. I will be happy to post them on our website.

As you know, there will be elections in West Virginia on November 2, 2010. It is very important that you vote because the elections will impact on the decisions made on disability issues far into the future, maybe your entire lifetime. If you are not already registered to vote, you have to register on or before October 12, 2010. You can get the registration form by downloading it from this website: http://www.sos.wv.gov/elections or go to your local DMV to get the form. After you complete the registration form, mail it to your county clerk's office. If you want to register to vote in person, go to your local county clerk's office. Your vote may decide whether or not your life will get better or worse.

There seemed to be some interpreting issues recently. Some deaf people have problems getting the doctor's and lawyer's office to provide interpreters. The deaf people were told that interpreters are not required or needed. If you have the same problem, I suggest that you call the West Virginia Advocates for assistance. They can be reached at 800-950-5250. Also, Marissa Johnson, Executive Director for the West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, is working on medical appointment cards which deaf and hard of hearing people can bring to their doctors' office. The project

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is not complete yet so as soon as Marissa can get it approved, she will have the cards/brochures completed and sent to deaf and hard of hearing people.

As always, please e-mail me at president@wvad.org with news, ideas, suggestions, and things, and I will be happy to read them. Have a happy fall!

Sincerely,

*Linda Phillips*WVAD President



This is a a West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) non-profit organization newsletter for our WVAD family and friends.

It is the purpose of WVAD Quarter News to be an informative communications newsletter by all WVAD members and non-members, addressing WVAD programs, activities, issues, and member interests. WVAD Quarter News strives to maintain a balance between program and general interest news. Contact the WVAD Quarter News editor at WVAD Editor concerning material appearing in WVAD Quarter News. WVAD Quarter News will publish materials submitted by anyone, subject to editorial review and approval. Please remember to send references of any outside sources you may use. Authors' names will be withheld from publication at their request. The views and opinions expressed by contributors to WVAD Quarter News are the authors' own and do not necessarily reflect those of the staff of WVAD Quarter News.



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WVAD Board Minutes

WVAD Board Meeting, Fairplains, WV, April 3, 2010

Members Present: Linda Phillips, Jimmy Harrison, Veronda Harrison, Liz Leisure, Scott Hottle, and Jackie Robinson

<u>Members Absent</u>: Worthy Devericks <u>Standing Committee Members</u>: John Burdette

Standing Committee Members Absent: Caryn Keller, Mary Kesler, and Ruby Losh

<u>Visitors</u>: Erin Fulton

The regular meeting of WVAD was held in the meeting room at New Life Fellowship Hall on April 3, 2010. President Linda Phillips called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. with the secretary, Liz Leisure, being present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer Veronda Harrison reported a balance of \$2,186.92 in checking account, \$7,054.88 in savings account, \$15,067.62 in the Mingo County Fund, and \$12,003.63 in Certificate of Deposit accounts. She wrote a check in the amount of \$200.00 on April 2, 2010, to Holiday Inn Charleston House for deposit to hold the meeting rooms for our next conference in 2011.

President Linda Phillips reported that she was not able to find a speaker for our March event that was suggested by Vice-President Jimmy Harrison in our last board meeting.

President Linda Phillips said she attended the town hall meeting held by the West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in Parkersburg on March 27, 2010. There were 27 people in attendance sharing their concerns and feedback about interpreters, as well as other issues. It was a good meeting.

President Linda Phillips reported that she continued to receive e-mails on the WVAD website from individuals requesting either information and/or assistance. All e-mails have been answered.

She went to the Holiday Inn Charleston House on April 2, 2010, with Veronda Harrison, Jimmy Harrison, and Liz Leisure, to check out the meeting and sleeping rooms for our next WVAD conference. After the tour and discussion with David Burke, Sales Manager, it was decided to have our next conference there.

She reported that a table has been reserved for us at the Deaf Tech Fair to be held on June 12, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Vice-President Jimmy Harrison reported that we currently have 181 WVAD members on our list. He spoke with Ruby Losh via videophone regarding the upcoming 140th anniversary and gave a brief report about their conversation.

Secretary Liz Leisure had nothing to report for this meeting.

Both Trustees Jackie Robinson and Scott Hottle had no reports to give at this time.

Jimmy Harrison, Conference Chairperson, discussed plans for the 2011 WVAD Conference. John Burdette was not able to meet with Caryn Keller last weekend about designing cards for the Deaf Driver Law Enforcement Officer Safety (DDLEOS) project.

Storage Committee Chairperson John Burdette discussed preserving old WVAD program books and newsletters.

The motion for a 15-minute recess starting at 1:30 p.m. was adopted.

Veronda Harrison (JR) moved that the cost of combo tickets for the 2011 WVAD conference be \$90.00 for members and \$115.00 for nonmembers. Liz Leisure moved to amend this motion by adding \$80.00 for senior citizens members and \$100.00 for senior citizens nonmembers. Amendment passed. The main motion as amended passed.

Veronda Harrison moved that we develop a payment plan for the individuals wanting to register for the 2011 WVAD Conference. The motion passed.

Jimmy Harrison moved that exhibitors who registered for the 2011 WVAD conference be welcomed to socialize only with the conference attendees during the Friday night event and be given an option to buy a ticket to eat at the banquet and play games on Saturday night. The motion passed.

There were some questions that could not be answered during the discussion regarding the 140th anniversary. It was moved and seconded to lay the pending questions on the table until further clarification.

(See WVAD Board Minutes on page 4)



If you are submitting an article, please send any accompanying photos in a standard photo format, as a separate file. We cannot use photos that are embedded or included in a Word document. Photos with captions and articles should be submitted to the **WVAD Editor**. Thank you.

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The next regular board meeting will be held on Sunday, June 13, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., at Holiday Inn Charleston House on Kanawha Boulevard in Charleston, West Virginia.

There being no further business, by general consent the President adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Here is the list of things to do for the 2010 WVAD Conference:

- 1. Think of a theme for the conference.
- 2. Check on the costs of ads.
- Come up with topics and ideas for workshops/booth. Some suggestions are as follows:
 - Health Care Reform
 - How to Use Interpreters
 - Voters' Registration
 - Social Security Issues
 - WV Relay Forum
 - Town Hall Meeting
 - Advocacy
- 4. Contact the following exhibitors/ booth attendees:
 - Fairshake
 - WV Advocates
 - Human Rights Commission
 - UBDUO
 - DBC
 - Sprint
 - WV Relay
 - Purple

- ZVRS
- Hamilton Relay
- Sorenson
- WVCDHH
- Independent Living Centers
- DRS
- SILC
- Harris Communications
- SNAP VRS
- Columbus Colony
- 5. Contact the following crafters:
 - Eileen Brown
 - Lois Devericks
 - Connie Davis
 - Madelyn Mossor
 - Larry Titus
 - Hollie Lambert
 - Robert Cross
 - Hand On Expression
- 6. Send sponsorship letters to the following sponsors:
 - Audiologists
 - ENT Specialists
 - Walmart
 - Verizon
 - BBT
 - United Bank
 - WV Relay
 - Sorenson
 - Sprint
 - City National Bank
 - Suddenlink
 - Hamilton Relay



- ZVRS
- WVCDHH
- Purple
- SNAPVRS
- 7. Recruit interpreters and send letters.
- 8. Conference Chairpersons to check on the following:
 - Check on cruise rate.
 - Check on menu.
 - Make room reservations for all board members at Holiday Inn Charleston House.
- Contact Ken Glickman and ask if he would be our entertainer for Saturday night.
- 10. Pick Award Chairperson. ■



ASL Workshop by Roberta "Bobbie" Dietz

Roberta "Bobbie" Dietz, a West Virginia native, a graduate of WVSD in 1974 and a graduate of Gallaudet College in 1978, has over 30 years experience in the field of education. Bobbie was a senior instructor at VSDB-Staunton where she taught ASL for foreign language credit, life skills, and vocational exploratory classes. She is highly in demand as a mentor of new teachers and interns. An adjunct professor at Piedmont Virginia Community College, the University of Virginia, and Danville Community College, Bobbie teaches ASL and trains interpreters with the WEIT program.

Bobbie holds a Master of Science in family resources from WVU, a B.S. from Gallaudet College, and is certified by the American Sign Language Teachers Association (ASLTA) and is endorsed to teach ASL for foreign language credit by VDOE. She is the Chair of the State Advisory Board to VDDHH.

Bobbie and her husband, Wayne, reside in Staunton where they are raising their family, yet still find time to participate in community activities.

Rachel Bavister is a graduate of Queen Mary College, University of London, Gallaudet University, and The Catholic University of America. An adjunct professor at Danville Community College, Rachel teaches with the WEIT (Weekend Educational Interpreter Training) program. Rachel has also been an ASL instructor with Augusta County Parks and Recreation for over 18 years and initiated the ASL Program at VAIL in Harrisonburg. Rachel is retired from Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind, Staunton, VA, where she taught English in the high school and served as principal of the Department for the Deaf. Rachel, who is the President of the Virginia Association of the Deaf, has also taught at James Madison

University in the College of Integrated Sciences and Technology. Rachel serves on the State Advisory Board to VDDHH, provides consultation and training to local school divisions on deaf education, and conducts workshops on sign language and self-advocacy throughout the Commonwealth.

Participants at their workshop can be assured of serious learning opportunities provided with great good humor. Please contact Bobbie at dietz87@ comcast.net or VP 540-416-0072 to set up a workshop in your area. Fees will be discussed at the time. ■



16th Annual WV Deaf Bass Fishing Tournament by John W. Burdette

The 16th Annual WV Deaf Bass Fishing Tournament was held the weekend of June 4-5, 2010, at Berry's campground on the New River in Hinton, WV. We had 10 anglers participate in the tournament along with several fans. It was not a good fishing day for all of us anglers because the fish were not biting. Some

of us caught fish under 12 inches. Four anglers brought one fish each that were above 12 inches to weigh-in.

First place winner was Tony Keathley from Letart, WV, with 1 bass weighing 1.6 lbs. Second place winner was Steve Nida from Pecks Mill, WV, with 1 bass weighing 1.3 lbs. Third place was Mark Day from Pineville, WV, with 1 bass weighing 1.0 lb. Tony Keathley also won the prize for the largest bass—14 1/2 inches. After announcing the tournament winners, there were cash prizes. Please keep an eye out for next year's fishing tournaments and plan to join us for the fun! ■







Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, October 16, 2010

11 AM till 6 PM

at

St. Albans City Hall St. Albans, WV

\$6 Per Person

Menu includes:

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Garlic Bread or Rolls
Salad & Homemade Cole Slaw
Soft Drinks & Water
Desserts

Carryouts are available for \$6.00

Directions: From I-64 East Charleston: Get off at Exit 54 MacCorkle Ave. (US Rt. 60). Turn left at the traffic light at MacCorkle Ave. Go straight onto US Rt. 60 West for about 6 miles and you will see St. Albans City Hall on left side near Kmart store.

From I-64 West Huntington: Get off at Exit 44 St. Albans. Turn right at the traffic light at Rt. 817 and go about 3 miles and turn left at traffic light on Rt. 60 East MacCorkle Ave. Go straight onto US Rt. 60 East for about 4 miles. You will pass the Kmart store and then you will see the St. Albans City Hall on the right side.

Proceeds from the Spaghetti Dinner will go to 2011 West Virginia Association of the Deaf's Biennial Conference



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WVAD's exhibit booth.



Sprint's exhibit booth.



John Burdette, WV Relay 711's exhibit booth.



Visitors who came to the Deaf Fair, signing up for different things.



Teresa McGonigle, Ruby Losh, and Scott Hottle at the Pierpont Community & Technical College exhibit booth.



WV ADA Coalition exhibit booth.

WVAD Biennial Picnic at Bulltown, Burnsville, WV

West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) held their picnic at Bulltown Recreation Area in Burnsville, WV on Saturday, August 7, 2010. 64 people came. The weather was beautiful. The shelter was in the shaded area.

We had two different game tournaments. They were horseshoe and corn hole. For the horseshoe tournament, we had 4 teams with 2 partners each. Charles Facemyre from Lumberport, WV and

Steve Nida from Pecks Mill, WV received \$15 each for first place. Larry O'Neal from Beckley, WV and Joey Major from Belpre, OH received \$5 each for second place.

Corn hole tournament had 10 teams with 2 partners each. Dalton Harrison from Culloden, WV and Jason Harrison from Hurricane, WV won first place and received \$25 each. Missy Barie from St. Albans, WV and Robin Tackett from Elkview, WV received \$15 each for second place. James Ennis, and daughter, Ruby

Losh, of Rivesville, WV received \$10 each for third place.

Two different tickets were sold for cash prizes and a beautiful WV corn hole board set made by Veronda Harrison to raise funds for 2011 WVAD conference. Steve Nida won the corn hole board set to take home with him. There were 13 admission prize giveaways. We all enjoyed the good food, seeing old friends, mingling with new friends, and had a great time!





In the News



TDI eNotes - June 28, 2010

FCC Takes Action to Protect and Sustain Vital Service for the Deaf Commission Votes Unanimously on Immediate and Long-Term Approaches

Press Release from the Federal Communications Commission, 6/28/10

Washington, DC — The Federal Communications Commission has taken two actions to protect and ensure the sustainability of a vital service for persons with hearing or speech disabilities. This service, called Video Relay Service (VRS), allows persons with these disabilities to use American Sign Language (ASL) to communicate with friends and family and to conduct business in near real time. The Commission's two unanimous votes – one to begin a fresh look at the VRS program, and another that sets out how VRS companies will be compensated during the next year while the review is underway - will protect a program that has developed through two decades of work initiated by the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

Twenty years ago, the ADA established a fund, under the FCC's oversight, to ensure that persons with hearing or speech disabilities could use special telephone services at costs comparable to those that hearing people pay for regular telephone service. Today, the VRS service supported by that fund has become an essential part of the lives of people who have hearing or speech disabilities.

Recently, the fund that supports VRS has been threatened on two fronts. A number of individuals associated with VRS companies have been indicted for fraud and abuse of the system; they appear to have generated extra revenue from calls that were not legitimate uses of the fund. In addition, recent data has shown that the payments from the fund to VRS companies were on a higher scale than the FCC intended, because they were based on cost estimates that turned out to be far higher than VRS companies' actual costs.

The Commission has now set interim levels for payments to VRS companies for the year July 2010 through June 2011. The FCC estimates that these new compensation levels, together with steps that WVAD Quarter News, Fall 2010

have been taken to reduce fraud, will save the fund about \$275 million over last year's estimated costs. The FCC has worked with the Department of Justice to identify companies that may have acted fraudulently, and the number of questionable charges has already dropped as a result. The savings from reduced fraud and new payment levels will benefit American ratepayers, who support the fund through charges on their telephone bills.

At the same time, the Commission has released a Notice of Inquiry asking fundamental questions about the ways that the market for VRS should be structured and how companies that provide VRS should be compensated. Together, the Commission's two actions today help put the future of VRS on a solid and sustainable course.

"Video relay service has greatly improved life for people who are deaf or hard of hearing and their friends and families," said Joel Gurin, Chief of the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau of the FCC, which oversees access to communications services for persons with disabilities. "The Commission's actions will help ensure the continuity of this essential service while also ensuring that ratepayers are not overcharged. The Notice of Inquiry will begin an indepth process to review the entire structure of the VRS program and ensure its long-term viability."

The Commission expects to complete the Notice of Inquiry proceeding before fund year 201112, which begins on July 1, 2011. The Commission also adopted compensation rates for July 2010 through June 2011 for all other forms of TRS paid from the fund.

Action by the Commission June 28, 2010, by Notice of Inquiry (FCC 10-111) and Order (FCC 10-115).

CG Docket 10-51

CGB Contact: Mike Jacobs at (202) 418-2859

FOR MORE INFORMATION (Adapted from the FCC Daily Digest):

The Commission hereby adopts perminute compensation rates from the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Fund (Fund) for each form of TRS for the 2010-2011 fund year. These rates are based in part on options proposed by the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA), the Interstate TRS Fund administrator, in filing its annual Interstate Telecommunications Relay Services Fund Payment Formula and Fund Size Estimate for the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011. The one-year interim rates for 2010-2011 shall be:

- \$6.2390 for VRS Tier I
- \$6.2335 for VRS Tier II
- \$5.0668 for VRS Tier III
- \$2,256 for Interstate Traditional TRS
- \$3.1566 for Speech-to-Speech (STS)
- \$1.6951 for Captioned Telephone Service (CTS) and Internet Protocol (IP) CTS
- \$1.2985 for IP Relay

Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program

Initiated proceeding to review the Commission's video relay service (VRS) rules so that we can ensure that this vital program is effective, efficient, and sustainable in the future. (Docket No. 1051.) Action by the Commission. Adopted: 06/08/2010 by NOI. (FCC No. 10-111.) CGB.

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<u>Telecommunications Relay Services</u> and Speech-to-Speech Services for <u>Individuals with Hearing and Speech</u> <u>Disabilities</u>

Adopted per-minute compensation rates from the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Fund for each form of TRS for the 2010-2011 fund year. (Docket No. 03-123.) Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 06/18/2010 by Order. (FCC No. 10-115.) CGB.

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Fall Back!

Remember to change your clocks November 7th this year. The United States begins Daylight Savings Time at 2:00 a.m. local time on the second Sunday in March and reverts to Standard Time at 2:00 a.m. local time on the first Sunday in November. DST is not observed in Hawaii or Arizona, with the exception of the Navajo Nation, which does observe DST, even in Arizona. For more information, see http://webexhibits.org/daylightsaving/b.html.



Daylight Savings Time Ends Set clocks back 1 hour November 7, 2010



WV Facts and Trivia

- 1. The world's largest shipment of matches (20 carloads or 210,000,000 matches) was shipped from Wheeling to Memphis, Tennessee, on August 26, 1933.
- 2. Some famous individuals from West Virginia include Pearl Buck (author), Peter Marshall (television host), Chuck Yeager (test pilot /Air Force General), Don Knotts (actor), Mary Lou Retton (Olympic gold medallist for gymnastics), and Kathy Mattea (country music singer).
- 3. West Virginia's Memorial Tunnel was the first in the nation to be monitored by television. It opened November 8, 1954.
- 4. Nearly 75% of West Virginia is covered by forests.
- 5. 15% of the nation's total coal production comes from West Virginia.
- 6. West Virginia was the first state to have a sales tax. It became effective July 1, 1921.

- 7. Outdoor advertising had its origin in Wheeling about 1908 when the Block Brothers Tobacco Company painted bridges and barns with the wording: "Treat Yourself to the Best, Chew Mail Pouch."
- 8. The first glass plant in West Virginia was at Wellsburg in 1815. The first pottery plant was in Morgantown in 1785.
- 9. The first spa open to the public was at Berkeley Springs, West Virginia, in 1756 (then, Bath, Virginia).
- 10. Organ Cave, near Ronceverte, is the third largest cave in the United States and the largest in the state.
- 11. The first federal prison exclusively for women in the United States was opened in 1926 in West Virginia.
- 12. West Virginia is the only state in the Union to have acquired its sovereignty by proclamation of the President of the United States. ■

13th Annual Pig Roast Festival by Michael Losh

On July 10, 2010, Fairmont Association of the Deaf hosted its 13th Annual Pig Roast. 155 people attended the picnic.

The weather was beautiful and sunny. We played bingo, pot of gold, and ladderball games; also had raffles, cash prizes, and door prizes.

Michael Losh and Perry Henry won the ladderball game championship. Robyn Evans won the 32-inch HDTV. Thank you for bringing food and helping out with selling drinks and food.

Hope to see you all again next year, July 9, 2011. ■



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"In Memory of Loved Ones"





Chester W. Moyers, Jr.

Chester West Moyers, Jr., 70 of Mt. Jackson, VA died August 31, 2010, at the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville.

He was born July 5, 1940, in Rockingham County, and was a son of the late Chester W., Sr., and Reta Fitzwater Moyers.

He attended Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind, where he entered the Hall of Fame in three different sports. He worked at Ethan-Allen in Bridgewater before retiring. He was a member of Woods Chapel Independent Bible Church in Mt. Jackson, and a former member of Mt. Jackson Volunteer Fire Department Company 20.

He is survived by his wife, the former Barbara Ferrell; three sons, Victor Moyers of Mt. Jackson, Mike and Keith Moyers, both of Harrisonburg; two brothers, Leonard and Harold Moyers, both of Harrisonburg; 7 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren.

Rev. Glen Turner conducted a graveside service 11:00 a.m. Saturday at the Perry Moyer Memorial cemetery in Bergton.

The family received friends from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday at the Grandle Funeral Home in Broadway.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to Grandle Funeral Home, P.O. Box 114, Broadway, VA 22815, to help with funeral expenses. ■



Sondra Jean Roach

Sondra Jean Roach, 57, of Davisville, WV, formerly of Lesage, WV, widow of Keith Allen Roach, passed away Wednesday, August 11, 2010, in the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House.

She was born January 2, 1953, in Harrisville, WV, a daughter of Sue Holpp Satterfield of Pennsboro, WV, and the late Charles June Satterfield. She is also preceded in death by two brothers. Additional survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Rose and Greg Pratt and Wendy and Roy Roberts, all of Lesage; a son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Alisha Roach of Yukon, OK; seven grandchildren, Alison Ross, Sarah Ross, Clay Pratt, Natalie Pratt, Alyssa Roberts, Jennifer Roberts, and Isabelle Jean Roach; five brothers; and a sister.

Graveside services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 14, 2010, at Greenbottom Memorial Park, Greenbottom, WV, with Pastor George F. Surgeon officiating. Condolences may be sent to www.chapmans-mortuary.com. ■



Michele C. McWilliams

Michele Christine McWilliams, born January 5, 1966, died Monday, August 16, 2010.

Michele (also known as Shelly) passed away in Alexandria, Kentucky, after a year-long battle with cancer. Shelly lived in Alexandria and was active in her deaf community. She enjoyed her family, friends, her cat Lucky, and life to the fullest.

She is survived by her mother, Pat (Bill) Mitchell; her father, Mike (Marilyn) McWilliams; son, Steven McWilliams; brother, Michael (Kathy) McWilliams; stepsisters, Tammi (Jason) Artz, Mandi (Michael) Miller, and Kim (Seth) Carroll; stepbrother, Joe (Jessica) Kowalski; adopted family, Scott and Cheryl Simer, and her beloved Mandy Berry; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and many friends. She was preceded by her sister, Patty McWilliams; her son's father, Timothy Hansen; stepfather, Bill Mitchell; maternal grandparents, Ed and Helen Griffith; and paternal grandparents, Jack and Rose McWilliams.

Graveside services for family and close friends were held at 11 a.m. Saturday (August 21st) at Pacific Cemetery, with a lunch that followed at St. Mary School in Portage. Pflanz Mantey Mendrala Funeral Home in Portage assisted the family. ■

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(Obituaries from page 11) William Boyko

William Boyko, age 88, of Prosperity, WV, died Sunday, September 5, 2010, at his home, his fortress, which he fought for and protected for 60 years.

Born on August 18, 1922, at East Beckley, WV, he was the son of the late Mike Boyko and Anna Boyko Quesenberry.

Mr. Boyko was a former employee in newspaper printing, and was last employed by Purity Maid Bakery in Beckley, WV. He was of the Baptist faith and had made his home in Prosperity for the past 60 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy May Boyko; by a daughter, Lucy Cynthia Boyko; by a sister, Annie Campbell; and by brothers, Harry, Jack, Rex, Clyde, and Earl.

Surviving are his children: Carrie Halliwell and her husband Roger of Prosperity, WV; William R. Boyko and his wife Freda Ann of Sandbranch, WV; and Willis Boyko of Prosperity, WV.

Brothers Fred Quesenberry and his wife Lucy of Beckley, WV, and Amos Quesenberry and his wife Sherron of Shady Spring, WV.

Sister Frances Mannino and her husband Frank of Lititz, Pennsylvania. 8 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were conducted at the Rose and Quesenberry Peace Chapel in Beckley, WV, on Wednesday, September 8, 2010, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Fred Lovell officiating. Burial followed at Sunset Memorial Park in Beckley. Friends were able to call 1 hour prior to the services.

Online condolences may be sent to our guestbook at www.roseandquesenberry.net. Family members served as pallbearers.

Arrangements were made by Rose and Quesenberry Funeral Home, 1901 South Kanawha Street, Beckley, WV.

William started at the WV School for the Deaf in 1927 and graduated in 1941. ■





Larry A. Jones

Larry A. Jones, age 69, beloved husband of 44 years to Orace. Loving father of Janielle, Camille Blevins (Thomas), and Terrence. Cherished grandfather of Michael, David, Scott, and Brooke.

Dearest son of the late Archie and Ethel (nee Cavender). Dear brother of Nancy Eskins of West Virginia and the late Jaye Roy Jones. Special uncle of Bob and Doug Jones. Larry was a 1960 graduate of the West Virginia School of the Deaf where he was inducted in the Hall of Fame for football. He also attended Gallaudet College. He had been a president for the Cleveland Association of the Deaf in the past.

Celebration of Life Service was on Saturday, August 14, 2010, 3:00 p.m., at the funeral home. The family received friends on Saturday from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at Ripepi & Sons Funeral Home, 18149 Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio. ■

Robert L. McClelland

On Monday, October 26, 2009, Robert L. McClelland passed away. Beloved husband of Ramona B. McClelland; father of Steve McClelland and Pamela McClelland; brother of Alice Fox and Jack McClelland; grandfather of Sha-Shonie, Ansel, and Paloma. There was a private memorial service. Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Endowed Gallaudet Museum Fund, Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC, 20002.

Robert was a graduate of Missouri School for the Deaf, Fulton, MO, and also a graduate of Gallaudet College.

Anthony F. Todesco, Jr.

Anthony F. Todesco, Jr., passed away on August 23, 2010. Beloved husband of Louise (nee Ferrari); devoted father of Frank (Eileen) and Rosemary (Chris); also survived by 4 grandchildren, Tony, Kariana, Maxwell, and Austin. Dear brother of Jim and Carmen (deceased) and 3 sisters Viola, Anna, and Mary Jane.

Anthony was a lifetime member of the International Catholic Deaf Association (ICDA-Chapter #8, Philadelphia) and very faithful to the Catholic Deaf Apostolate. He graduated from West Virginia Institute of the Deaf in 1950.

Relatives and friends were invited to his viewing Thursday evening, August 26th, from 7 to 9 p.m. and Friday morning, August 30th from 9 a.m. until his 12 noon service at Cassizzi Funeral Home, 2913-17 E. Thompson St. (at Cambria). Interment was private. ■

Mildred A. Campbell

Mildred Alleta Campbell, 83, of Ceredo, WV, died Monday, July 26, 2010, at St. Mary's Medical Center in Huntington, WV. Mildred was born November 12, 1926, in Concord, Illinois, a daughter of the late John Vernon and Ruth Pauline Yeck Campbell. She was a retired map maker for the U.S. Government. In addition to her parents, Mildred was preceded in death by one brother, Richard "Dick" Campbell.

She is survived by her beloved sisters, Jackie Blevins of Ceredo, WV, Verna Thomas and Carol Miller both of Proctorville, Ohio, and Ann Penvose of Lake Jackson, Texas; other survivors include a host of nieces and nephews.

There were no public services. Rollins Funeral Home in Kenova, WV, assisted the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.rollinsfh.com. Mildred graduated from WVSD in 1949. ■



62nd Anniversary Picnic by Charleston Association of the Deaf

On August 14, 2010, our 62nd anniversary picnic, hosted by Charleston Association of the Deaf, was held at Valley Park in Hurricane, WV. There were 93 people in attendance. The weather was beautiful. It was very hot after a short rain.

We played corn hole tournament under the picnic shelter. We had 8 teams with

2 partners each. Dalton Harrison of Culloden, WV and Jason Harrison from Hurricane, WV won \$25 each for first place. Tom McCombs from Ohio and Teresa Lovejoy of Nitro, WV won second place for \$15 each.

There were 18 admission prizes in \$620.00 giveaways including a gas grill.

Tom McCombs from Ohio won the gas grill. We also had cash prizes too! Everyone had a wonderful time, enjoyed the good foods, and socializing with their families and friends.

The next CAD picnic will be held next August 2011. Hope to see you there next year! ■



11th Annual WV Deaf Anglers Bass Tournament by Penny Hensley, Chairperson

On August 21, 2010, the 11th Annual WV Deaf Anglers Bass Tournament was held at South Branch Potomac River, Wapocoma Campground in Romney, WV. All of us camped out and spent the weekend.

Fifteen fishermen participated in the tournament. The weather was very hot and humid and the river was very low. Five fishermen brought their fish to our campsite to be weighed.

The first place and winner of the year went to Tony Keathley from Letart, WV with four bass weighing 4 lbs and 6 oz. Second place went to Michael Losh from Fairmont, WV with three bass weighing 3 lbs and 1 oz. Third place went to Gene Smith from Berkeley Springs, WV with 1 bass weighing 3 lbs and 1 oz.

Second and third places were tied for weight and money. That afternoon, the Romney Association of the Deaf provided a picnic at the shelter on the campground. About 44 people attended. We all had a good time chatting and catching up with news and playing games.

The next tournament will be held on May 7, 2011, at the same place. If the river is flooded with high water, we will postpone the tournament to July or August 2011. We will keep you informed through Facebook, e-mail, person to person, or through the WVSDAA website/newsletter. We hope to see you there next year. ■





Coach: Mary Beth Surber

9/14/10	6:00 p.m.	Pocahontas County	Home
9/16/10	6:00 p.m.	Moorefield	Away
9/20/10	6:00 p.m.	Paw Paw	Away
9/21/10	6:00 p.m.	Tygarts Valley	Home
9/22/10	6:00 p.m.	East Hardy	Away
9/27/10	6:00 p.m.	Petersburg	Away
9/28/10	6:00 p.m.	Bishop Walsh, MD H.S.	Home
10/2/10	2:00 p.m.	Pocahontas County	Home
10/4/10	6:00 p.m.	Hancock, MD H.S.	Home
10/5/10	4:00 p.m.	Virginia School for the Deaf	Home
10/7/10	6:00 p.m.	Virginia School for the Deaf	Away
10/9/10	1:00 p.m.	Paw Paw	Away
10/12/10	6:00 p.m.	Moorefield	Home
10/13/10	6:00 p.m.	Tygarts Valley	Away
10/20/10	6:00 p.m.	Paw Paw	Home
10/22/10	2:00 p.m.	ESDAA Tournament	Away
10/23/10	6:00 p.m.	ESDAA Tournament	Away
10/27/10	6:00 p.m.	Hancock, MD H.S.	Away
10/28/10	6:00 p.m.	Bishop Walsh, MD H.S.	Away
11/1/10	7:00 p.m.	Sectional Tournament	Away



http://www.facebook.com/profile. php?id=670803243&ref=name#/group. php?gid=136005551663&ref=mf

West Virginia Association of the Deaf has a Facebook group page which was started this past fall. You will be able to keep up with WVAD news and information every time you check your Facebook. You will also be able to post events and be involved in discussions.

Check out the West Virginia Association of the Deaf Facebook page today to see what's happening.

Many thanks to John Burdette for doing this for our organization!

WV Advocates

West Virginia Advocates (WVA), the Protection and Advocacy System in the state of West Virginia, is looking for new members for its Board of Directors.

Anyone with a disability or an interest in disability advocacy is invited to apply. We have a special need at this time for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Individuals who are courtappointed guardians for a person with mental illness and parents of young or school age children are also encouraged to apply.

To learn more about WVA and to access an application for board membership, visit http://wvadvocates.org or contact Bev Gragg at 304-346-0847. ■













































VU FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sat., 9/4	Coastal Carolina	Home	3:30 p.m.
Fri., 9/10	At Marshall	Away	7:00 p.m., ESPN
Sat., 9/18	Maryland	Home	12:00 p.m., ESPNU
Sat., 9/25	At LSU	Away	9:00 p.m., ESPN2
Sat., 10/9	UNLV	Home	TBA
Thur., 10/14	USF	Home	7:30 p.m., ESPN

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Sat., 10/23	Syracuse	Home	TBA
Fri., 10/29	At Connecticut	Away	8:00 p.m., ESPN2
Sat., 11/13	Cincinnati	Home	TBA
Sat., 11/20	At Louisville	Away	TBA

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Fri., 11/26	At Pitt	Away	TBA, ESPN/ESPN2/ABC
Sat., 12/4	Rutgers	Home	TBA, ESPN/ESPN2/ABC















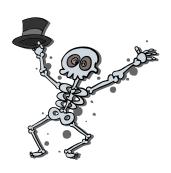












Spooky Gothic Halloween Word Find!

Ooooooh! Find the words in the pumpkin . . . if you dare! Answers are on page 17.

Halloween Apparition
Macabre Specter
Gothic Corsair
Cobwebs Frankenstein
Vampire Banshee
Zombie Demon
Phantasm Arachnid

Ooze
Ghoul
Death's-head
Transylvania
Gore
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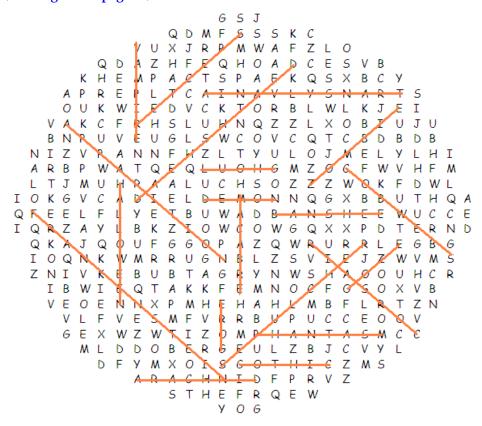
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DeafHistory – Looking Back

Year 1961 – WV Senator Robert Byrd, as a young man, becomes a member of the Gallaudet's Board of Directors. He would stay for five years before focusing his efforts for the betterment of his West Virginia constituents.

His major Gallaudet success was to convince the DC government to install a traffic light at the main entrance. ■

Wish List of the Week

In today's lousy economy, more and more deaf individuals would become entrepreneurs and go into business for themselves and become successful.

Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf

Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf has 15,268 members.

The breakdown is as follows:

- Associate 3,764
- Certified 9.006
- Certified Emeritus 7
- Certified Inactive 39
- Certified Retired 49
- Student 1,663
- Supporting 232
- Trial 64

It adds up to 14,824.

DeafDigest not sure why there is a discrepancy of 444?

(Figures were provided by RID.) ■

Dormitory Extreme Makeover

Extreme Makeover, that wildly popular TV reality series, has come to the deaf community for the second time.

The first time, it was for a deaf household in Michigan in 2004. And now this time, for a dormitory at Oregon School for the Deaf.

It was not a simple procedure – just selecting the school for the reality TV project. School officials had to make sure all regulations were in compliance, a much more difficult task as opposed to sending carpenters to the scene.

The televised showing date of October 31st is appropriate, keeping in mind two things – the Halloween Day and the school's famous Haunted House!

(The above information in this column was received from DeafDigest.com.)

CHECK OUT OUR QUARTER RECIPES!



Sloppy Joe

3 lbs ground beef 1 chopped celery 1 (12 oz) bottle chili sauce 2 to 3 Tbsp brown sugar 1/4 tsp pepper 1 large onion, chopped 1/2 cup chopped green pepper 1 (6 oz) can tomato paste 1 to 2 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce



In large skillet, brown ground beef, onion, celery, and green pepper.

Put ground beef mixture in crockpot and stir in chili sauce, tomato paste, brown sugar, Worcestershire sauce, and pepper.

Cover and cook on low for 4 to 5 hours, stirring occasionally.

Makes enough for about 20 sandwiches. (This recipe can also be used for hot dog sauce.)



Oven-Fried Potatoes

(Preheat Oven to 400 °F)

8 potatoes (peeled and cut into cubes) 1/4 lb butter 1/4 cup oil 1 tsp salt

1/2 tsp garlic powder 2 Tbsp Parmesan cheese

1/2 tsp paprika



Put oil in 9x13 baking dish.

Put cubed potatoes in the dish. Slice the butter over top of the potatoes. Mix salt, garlic powder, cheese, and paprika and sprinkle over potatoes.

Bake 1 hour at 400 °F.

Stir occasionally so that the potatoes don't stick. Do not cover. (You may adjust the amount of oil and butter).



Peach Cobbler

(Preheat Oven to 350 °F)

4 cups peeled, sliced peaches 2 cups sugar, divided

1/2 cup water 8 Tbsp butter 1-1/2 cups self-rising flour 1-1/2 cups milk

Ground cinnamon, optional



Preheat oven to 350 °F. Combine the peaches, 1 cup sugar, and water in a saucepan and mix well. Bring to a boil and simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from the heat. Put the butter in a 3-quart baking dish and place in oven to melt. Mix remaining 1 cup sugar, flour, and milk slowly to prevent clumping. Pour mixture over melted butter. Do not stir. Spoon fruit on top, gently pouring in syrup. Sprinkle top with ground cinnamon, if using. Batter will rise to top during baking. Bake for 30 to 45 minutes.

To serve, scoop onto a plate and serve with your choice of whipped cream or vanilla ice cream. Serves 8 to 10.





VERONDA HARRISON

What made you want to be the WVAD Treasurer? I wanted to be the treasurer because I wanted to see a better budget for WVAD.

What is the name of your hometown? Simon, WV, a very small town in the southern part of WV (Wyoming County).

As a housewife, what do you do at home during the day? Cook breakfast and supper, wash clothes, clean house, fix my husband's lunch for work, and work on WVAD's stuff.

Do you have any pets? Yes, three fish, Jason's three ducks and blue crawfish in the pond, and Dalton's dog (we take care of it for Dalton).

What person has been the biggest influence on your life? Late Hubert Anderson.

What accomplishments are you most proud of? Being involved with the WVAD organization that was influenced by late Hubert Anderson and Delores Pyles who encouraged me to get involved with the organization and the Charleston Association of the Deaf organization.

What is your favorite vacation spot? Camping anywhere.

Where is the farthest place you have been from your home? Israel.

What is your hobby or your favorite thing to do in your spare time? Make corn hole sets and bags and make anything that's wood or building something.

Name three things you can do without. Stress, worry about money, and crowded shopping areas.

What movie could you see any time? Any horror movies.

What is your all-time favorite TV show? Do It Yourself (DIY) and Days of Our Lives shows.

Name three things always found in your kitchen. Mail, tea bags, and letter cutter.

What would you do with a million dollars? Pay off my bills, buy a new house, build more improvements, and help my boys in the future.

What is an interesting, but little known fact about you? I went to Israel with my church group November 2007 and stayed there for 13 days. I had a great time and learned a lot about Jesus' life and death.

All members are encouraged to nominate a friend for the "Meet Me" column. Please submit all nominees to WVAD Quarter News Editor.