



THE SILENT SPOTLIGHT

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For and about the deaf in Utah

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Editor's Note

The deaf community is in danger of losing a valuable service. At the end of June, the federal grant funding the TTY Project will end. The Utah Association for the Deaf has been told the grant will not be renewed and that it must seek other funds to continue the project.

That may well mean losing the services of a trained TTY repairman. At this time the UAD is actively looking for other funds and hopes before the end of the grant period to find other means of financing. The UAD president, upon advice of the UAD board, brought this matter to the attention of the Governor's Advisory Council on Schools for the Deaf and the Blind. Wheels are grinding slowly but in the right direction.

We should be aware of this problem and be ready to help when we are called.

March Happenings

Saturday, 4th -- The Utah Association for the Deaf will hold its general meeting that evening. On the agenda will be some proposed bylaw changes which will bring our bylaws into agreement with IRS standards and allow application of a tax exemption number. See flyer for details.

Tuesday, 7th -- The Governor's Advisory Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the board room of the Utah Board of Education Building, 250 E. 5th S., SLC.

Friday, 10th -- Swiss steak will be on the menu for the Ogden Branch dinner, at 740 21st St., starting 6:00 p.m. Adults, \$3.00; students, \$1.75; children, \$1.25. A movie is planned.

Saturday, 11th -- An annual banquet under the auspices of Utah Gallaudet College Alumni Association will be held at the Hilton Inn, 154 W. 6th S., SLC at 7:00 p.m. Jack Gannon, '59, executive secretary of GCAA, will be our main speaker. Everyone is welcome to attend this banquet. Cost is \$8.00 per person, including tax and tip. Contact Dora B. Laramie for reservations; checks should be made payable to her on or before March 1. She may be contacted at 127 E. 470 N., Bountiful or by TTY 295-9179.

Monday, 13th -- In a family night special, Provo Branch will show "Sword in the Stone" at 7:00 p.m. at 300 W. 100 S.

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Thursday, 16th -- A potluck style dinner will be held by GSACD at the USD Multipurpose Room, Ogden at 6:00 p.m. Adults, \$2.00; children and students, 10¢ per year up to \$2.00. After dinner there will be Easter games for the children. "Tales from the Crypt" will be shown.

Thursday, 16th - Friday, 17th -- The Utah Board of Education will meet on both days in its building in SLC. On the agenda is a report on study of a local board for the schools for the deaf and the blind.

Saturday, 18th -- Valley Ward will have a dinner at 760 E. 700 S., SLC, with "Mary Poppins" to be shown afterwards.

Wednesday, 22nd -- The Sportsmen's Club is planning a family night entertainment. Contact Jerry Roach for details.

Friday, 24th - Saturday, 25th -- The UACD will host a bowling tournament; see flyers for details. Roy Milburn is the person to see.

Saturday, 25th -- Provo Branch will show "So Dear to My Heart", same time, same place.

Thursday, 30th -- The Sportsmen's Club will meet at the USD Multipurpose Room, Ogden at 7:00 p.m. "Big Jake" will be shown.

Friday, 31st -- Valley Ward will show "Artisocats" at 7:00 p.m.

Note: The date for the March meeting of the UAD Board of Directors will not be set until the February 26 meeting. Contact Ned Wheeler, chairman of the board, or Robert Sanderson, secretary, after the February meeting if you wish to attend the March meeting.

Last Minute Notes

February 26 -- The UAD Board of Directors will meet at 2:00 p.m. at the Utah Board of Education Building, 250 E. 5th S., SLC. On the agenda will be a guest speaker, Dr. Avarad Rigby, who will explain about the feasibility of a local level board of education of the schools for the deaf and the blind. A new UAD board member and a new vice president is expected to be elected at this meeting, after this action was tabled at the January meeting.

Hospital Rounds

July 1977 -- After two years of not feeling well, Milton Salazar was diagnosed as having non-functioning kidneys. He now goes to St. Benedict's of Ogden for kidney dialysis three times a week and is expected to do so for life.

January 5 -- Leon Edwards had surgery on his right elbow at the LDS Hospital in SLC. He expects the cast to come off after about six weeks.

January 22 — Hospitalized for a few days at McKay-Dee's of Ogden was Charles Whipple. He is feeling somewhat better and at home.

February 5 — Art Valdez underwent abdominal repair at the LDS Hospital in SLC and after a week is home.

February 11 — Norman Williams was hospitalized for tests at the LDS Hospital in SLC. His ailment has not yet been diagnosed.

Rattles 'n' Powder

November 17 — Trevor and Travis, twin sons of Jim and Lorrie (Pitkin) Delvez of North Salt Lake.

January 30 — Amanda Hope, daughter of Dan and Daniece Richins of Roosevelt. Grandparents are Oma Lee Richins & Fred Richins.

January 31 — A girl, daughter of Tom & Amy Christopulos of Provo. First-time grandpa is Tony Christopulos, principal at USD.

Obituaries

January 7 — Sherman Hunter, brother of Maree Cooper of San Bruno, Ca., died in SLC. Maree attended his funeral.

January 20 — Marie Dursteler, USD typing and keypunch teacher from 1953 to 1971, died of an heart attack at Palm Springs, Ca. Funeral and burial took place in Ogden.

Wheels, Wheels

Leland & Bessie Kidman, 1977 Ford Thunderbird, brown.

David & Shanna Mortensen, 1978 Chevrolet Chevette, light metallic green.

Wanderlust

Evern Smith, son of Earl & Elaine Smith, returned December 11 from a 3½ month hiking trip through Europe with three companions. He is presently looking for a job and hopes to find one soon.

Ray & Joanne Milburn and their two children, and Patti Perkins, went by car to Las Vegas for a bowling tournament, February 6-8 They stayed with Joanne's parents for several days.

One of the nice things about retirement is that one is free to travel. This is what Kenneth & Priscilla Burdett are doing now. They left about February 14 for Phoenix and Tucson, Az. to visit Prissy's sons and an aunt. They expect to be gone three weeks.

Visitors to Our Segó Lily State

Maree Cooper of San Bruno, Ca. remained in SLC during January after her brother's funeral. She was honored at a series of celebrations for her 81st birthday.

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Despite the heavy Midwest snowstorms, Marion & Dixie Brekke and Ray & Ruth Taylor of Nevada, Ia. arrived at the Jerry Taylor home in Ogden January 29. Jerry's sister and brother in law, the Brekkes, went on to Las Vegas by car February 2 and the elder Taylors flew back home February 4.

Spending some time with Karen Schultz were her parents, Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Schultz of Minot, N.D. They arrived January 24 and hoped to leave February 18, weather permitting.

Walter & Diane Jastremsky, with their four girls, were in Ogden January 21 to honor Diane's mother, Pearl Stanford, on her 80th birthday. Walter, formerly a housefather at USD, is an accounting clerk with Boise Cascade in Boise, Id.

News of Note

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) has announced a contract with a Texan company to manufacture decoders, to be available the fall of 1979. These decoders, to be attached to existing television sets, will allow captions to appear on TV screens. HEW has also made an agreement with Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) to have at least 80% of all programs captioned in conjunction with the decoders.

The UAD Board of Directors, at its January meeting, decided to allow a limited number of TTYs to be sold out of state at \$300.00 each. Interested out of state organizations or individuals should contact David Mortensen, UAD president, at 580 W. 5720 S., Murray, Ut. 84107 or call him by TTY, 801-262-4760.

Copper Mountain Mental Health Center, formerly the Murray Tooele Mental Hygiene Centro, is moving to new quarters at 6065 S. 300 E. in Murray. The TTY phone number remains the same, 262-8416. They expect to be moved in by March 1.

The St. Mary Magadeline Club for the Deaf had the 1978 elections during the January meeting. Re-elected were Barbara Bass, president; Dora Laramie, secretary; Celia May Baldwin, treasurer. New officers are Sandra Briseno, elected to the newly set up position of vice-president; and Nellie Sausedo, auditor.

The Good Company -- Weber College's crack rock musical group -- has been selected out of over 200 bands auditioned, to make a tour of the Far East to entertain our soldiers stationed there. The tour will include South Korea, Japan, the Phillipines, Guam and Hawaii. Barry Sanderson, houseparent for total communication boys at USD and the younger son of Robert & Mary Sanderson, is the drummer for the Company. The band leaves April 18 and returns June 6. Deaf people will remember how Barry and several of the group set our feet a-dancin' at some parties during the past year.

The Salt Lake NFSD #56 has a community project. The organization has camping equipment which can be borrowed by organizations and Frat members, providing a deposit is paid. The deposit is refundable upon return of the equipment in good condition. Sign up with Peter Green now for use of equipment during the warmer months. He may be contacted at 2044 E. 7000 S., SLC 84121 or TTY 943-1944.

Senior citizens in SLC took a bus tour January 25 of Hardware Ranch where the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources manages a herd of 400 elk.

Dieters, note! If you want to lose pounds, join a square dance club. Diane Millspaw did just that and has lost 20 lbs. since joining Single Swingers, a square dance club, last September.

As of February 1, Joseph Burnett was returned from his job as mechanical engineer at Hill Air Force Base. Joe and LaVern are looking to warmer weather when they can get out more.

FLASH: At the UACD Volleyball Tournament held February 18, results were announced as follows: Men's teams -- Catholic Saints, 1st; Idaho, 2nd and GSACD, 3rd. Women's teams -- Sportsmen's Club, 1st; Provo, 2nd and Catholic Nuns, 3rd.

Vibes from the Utah School for the Deaf

The Salt Lake International Association of Parents of the Deaf (IAPD) will sponsor the Montana State University Theatre of Silence on Friday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Riverview Junior High School in SLC. As part of a campaign to promote deaf awareness, performances will also be given before the student body at Liberty and Grant Elementary Schools in SLC. Contact Marion Hunt at 812 Spartan Dr., Sandy, Ut. 84070 or call her at 255-3454.

Fifteen students in the Total Communication Division were given the Gallaudet Junior Diagnostic Test, and three given the Gallaudet Entrance Examination. Results are graded at Gallaudet College and will be released this spring.

March 9 is the date of the Ogden School District spelling bee; Lillian Bosshardt will represent USD. Mrs. Jean Welling and Mrs. Sophia Wilding are her coaches.

The Total Communication Division is in need of volunteers to help in the classrooms. One particular need is for an aide to work with students in a reading program. Knowledge of sign language is very helpful. Contact Doug Carpenter at USD.

Positions as dormitory counselors at the USD, Total Communication Division, are available. Applicant must be at least 18 years old and be an high school graduate; knowledge and skill in sign language or a willingness to learn is desirable. Contact Trice Smith at USD.

Art Dignan, coach of the basketball team, and Steve Baldwin, curriculum coordinator for the Total Communication Division, accompanied the 11 man basketball team to Riverside, Ca. where the California Classics were held, February 2-4. Players were Calvin Parry, Doyle Page, Bobby Giles, Martin Dodd, Jim Jenkins, Shane Bennett, Eddie Foster, Marc Knight, Jerry Deu, Fred Eggers and Tony Meagher, manager. The team ranked 7th out of eight teams. Incidentally, the Arizona School for the Deaf team, which ranked second in the playoffs, is coached by a former Utah, Leon Curtis.

The track team will start practicing as soon as the basketball season is over. A track meet is tentatively set for March 29 at USD. St. Joseph's, North Rich and South Summit will compete with USD. Contact Jerry Taylor at USD.

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