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June Happenings

- Fri 1st -- The Utah chapter of Gallaudet College Alumni Association will hold its banquet at Hilary House, 3225 Washington Blvd. in Ogden, beginning 6:30 pm. All are welcome; cost of the dinner is \$8.00 per person. Happy hour is from 5:30 to 6:30. USDB superintendent, Harlan Fulmer, is the guest speaker. Contact Barbara Bass for more information; reservations plus banquet payment are to be sent to Jay Barker.
- Sat 2nd -- "Man Called Peter" will be shown at All Seasons Clubhouse, 290 N. Redwood, SLC, beginning 7:00 pm.
- Sat 9th -- GSACD will have its Senior Citizens & Family Day at the Golden Spike Park in Riverdale. Games and fun are to start at 3:00 pm; a hamburger fry will be held in the evening. Contact Dennis Platt for information on how to find this park.
- Sun 10th -- The UAD Board of Directors will hold a meeting at 3:00 pm in the UBE Building, 250 E. 5th S., SLC.
- Tue 12th -- The Governor's Advisory Council will meet at 6:30 pm at the UBE Building, 250 E. 5th S., SLC. One of the items on its agenda is a report on foster parent plan which USD put into effect during the 1978-1979 school year as a pilot program.
- Thu-Fri 14th-15th -- Utah Board of Education will be at Logan High School for the June meeting.
- Fri 15th -- "From Russia With Love" will be shown at Walter & Mauna Wilson's home in SLC. Contact John Lowell for details.
- Thu-Sat 21st-23rd -- The UAD convention, at various locations in SLC. A packet with information on the convention will be mailed to all about the first week in June. Watch your mailbox!
- Wed 27th -- GSACD will have a hamburger fry at Riverdale Park, 4400 S. & 1150 W., Riverdale, starting at 6:00 pm. Softball players are in charge of this fund raising event.
- Thu 28th -- Utah Sportsmen's Club movie. Contact Jerry Roach.

Reminder: USD will have its graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 24, at the school auditorium, beginning 7:30 pm.

1977 Motion Creates Financial Problem

At a recent UAD board meeting (see enclosed minutes which are mailed to all members) it was pointed out that the motion combining membership dues and Spotlight/Bulletin subscriptions is creating a financial problem for UAD. This motion was passed at the 1977 UAD convention.

The UAD pays \$2.00 a year per member to the National Association of the Deaf for the quota fee. For a single person this means out of \$10.00, \$6.00 is left for membership dues and subscription. Subscription to the Spotlight is \$3.50 a year which means \$7.00 for two years -- leaving UAD to hold the bag for a loss of \$1.00 and gaining nothing in dues. For a husband/wife dues of \$17.00, \$8.00 goes to NAD and \$7.00 goes to Spotlight subscription (one copy to a couple), leaving \$2.00 for UAD membership dues.

This motion was obviously made without giving thought to actual costs. A new motion is being prepared to be presented at the June convention, to separate subscriptions from the dues. If this new motion is passed, it will mean that members and non-members will continue to pay for their subscriptions separately, \$3.50 a year, and for those who wish to be members, \$10.00 for a single person and \$17.00 for a husband/wife membership.

UBE Asks to Add Total Communication Skills at U of Utah

The Utah Board of Education passed a motion at its April meeting directing the University of Utah to add a faculty member to teach total communication skills to prospective teachers of the deaf. The board will review the matter in a year and if the instructor is not added will consider withdrawing accreditation of the U of Utah teacher training program for the deaf.

It was noted that Utah's total communication teachers come from out of state, with most oral teachers coming from the U of Utah. -- Deseret News and Salt Lake Tribune

NAD Forum X in Planning Stages

With October 3-5 now reserved for the National Forum X on Human Sexuality and the Deaf Person, co-chairmen Dr. Robert Sanderson, Dr. Jay Campbell and Beth Ann Campbell are meeting soon to lay the foundation for this conference. Little America has been selected as the headquarters. No other conference on this subject has ever been held in the nation and it is expected to attract both professionals and deaf people from all walks of life.

Legislature Mandates Cuts in Utah Board of Education

In response to the legislative order to cut UBE staff, the reorganization saw the elimination of four out of ten divisions, and 16 out of 41 coordinators either downgraded to specialists or their programs eliminated entirely or absorbed by the remaining divisions. Dr. Walter Talbot stressed that the cuts were made to shorten the lines of communication.

SIGN Team to Evaluate Utah Sign Language Instructors

NAD's Communicative Skills Program, "Sign Language Guidance Network", will send a team of evaluators to Utah May 31, June 1 and 2. The purpose of the team will be to evaluate sign language instructors for certification as teachers. This is the only program in the nation that certifies instructors, although it is eventually expected that the various states will establish certifying procedures at a level similar to that being used to certify public school teachers.

Part of the team will also participate in a workshop on Community and Adult Education for the Deaf; the various school districts will be sending representatives to this meeting to learn about the needs of deaf people for continuing education, and how to provide the services that will make it possible for deaf people to participate in the classroom.

The Gallaudet College Center for Continuing Education will be handling the community and adult education aspects of the workshop, in cooperation with the Utah State Board of Education, Community Education Unit, Adult Education Unit, and the Division of Rehabilitation, Services to the Deaf.

Visiting team members will be: Will Madsen, Ralph Neesam, Dennis Cokely, Larry Berke, Jane Wilk, T.J. O'Rourke, and Dr. Mel Carter.

The workshop will be held at the State Board of Education offices, 250 E. 5th S., SLC. For more information, contact Dr. Robert Sanderson, 533-5997 (SLC, TTY).

Wedding Bells

May 12 -- Jane Bell to Randee Kelsch, united in wedding rites, were honored at a reception that evening in Riverton at the home of Randee's sister. Jane is a daughter of Edward and Alice Bell of SLC.

Rattles 'n' Powder

April 16 -- Lindsay Kay, daughter of Bill & Cheri Hind. The baby is the 13th grandchild for Gladys & Spencer Hind of SLC.

April 25 -- Lowell Thomas III, son of Tom & Sherry (Garner) Starkey of SLC.

April 30 -- Jarvis John, son of Johnny & Sharadee (Locke) Murray of Roosevelt.

May 9 -- Nathaneil Edward, Jr., son of Nat & Shirley (Carter) Cannon of SLC.

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Hospital Rounds

- April 30 -- Lee Kidman underwent surgery in an attempt to remove a blockage, at the U of U Medical Center.
- May 6 -- Marjorie Monson sent the editor the cause of her latest disability -- a rusty nail which had gone through her rubber soled shoe and through the skin of her right foot. She was given a tetanus shot and had her foot treated at the Holy Cross Hospital in SLC.
- May 8 -- Dora Laramie is on the road to recovery after a hernia operation at Lakeview Hospital in Bountiful.
- May 11 -- Betty Jones is at Cottonwood Hospital being treated for phlebitis.
- May -- Selma Worsley checked into the Holy Cross Hospital for five days for treatment of low blood sugar.

Obituary

- April 20 -- Jennie Pedersen, mother of Monroe Pedersen, Heber City, was buried in Heber City after funeral service in Park City.
- April 25 -- Mary Eyring, an USD alumna, was buried at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park in SLC after service in Valley Ward for the Deaf.
- April 29 -- Bergliot Dinsdale, formerly an housemother at USD's Driggs Hall, was buried in Logan after funeral service in Ogden.

TTY Jottings

Changes and additions to the TTY directory:

Cedar City Voc Rehab	586-2691	Cedar City
Corky Sparr	487-1530	SLC
Marvin/Melissa Hanson	261-3845	SLC
Johnny/Sharadee Murray	722-4950	Roosevelt

The phone number for the Dial-a-News service is the same as for the Salt Lake Services to the Deaf Office -- 533-5997. Call between 5:30 pm and 8:00 am nightly and any time on weekends. Please jot down this number in your TTY directory.

Honors

** George Laramie, who has been a long-time member of Salt Lake NFSD #56, will have his name enshrined in the Frat Hall of Fame for 1979. He is one of 23 in the nation to be selected for this honor.

** A father and his son have been selected to fulfill the same positions in different wards. Spencer Hind is second counselor in the Valley Ward for the Deaf while son Doug, a well known interpreter, is second counselor in Bennion 12th Ward. Previously, Spencer had served as High Counselor at Park Stake for eight years, with Doug as his interpreter for the 7 o'clock Sunday meetings.

Mission Calling

** Rodney Dalpias, who graduated from Ben Lomond High School in Ogden May 1979 under the USD extension program, has been called to the South Carolina Columbia Mission.

Wanderlust

** Ann & Edwin Thatcher, and Karen Schultz, went on the Rio Grande Zephyr to Denver in late April. The train buffs took the opportunity to ride this line before it is commissioned out of service this summer.

** Kay Curtis flew to Norfolk, Va. to visit her daughter Becky and granddaughter Nicole for two weeks in April. Mark Clark, Becky's husband, is on a 20 day leave from the Navy and has brought Becky and Nicole home to Roy to remain for several months while he is in Philadelphia.

News of Note

** Winners of the 1979 Amateur Night competitions are as follows: 1st - Salt Lake Frats; 2nd - Valley Ward for the Deaf; 3rd - Senior Citizens; 4th - Golden Spike Athletic Club for the Deaf.

** Brad Blair is the new Dean of Students for the Total Communication Division at the Utah School for the Deaf. An Utahn, he was most recently in Denver and before that on a mission in Northern California.

** The National Association of the Deaf is coming out with an official 100th anniversary commemorative album, to be printed in time for the 1980 NAD convention in Cincinnati, Oh. It will contain NAD history with black & white and color pictures. For those who go to the convention, the album is part of the combo ticket. For others, it can be ordered for \$10.00 plus \$2.00 postage and handling charges. For more information or order forms, contact Dave Mortensen in SLC or Val Platt in Ogden.

** Beverlee Dwan Hanson, who is confined to her home in Ogden as her mother is no longer able to drive, has a new puppy, Tiny Pepe, for company. She enjoys reading about her friends in the Spotlight.

** Bill & Edna Sevy were in the news recently when Associated Press wired a story about their use of the TTY to get Dial-a-News service. News stories for the Dial-a-News are provided by AP to the Services to the Deaf at no charge.

Reminder

** With the gas shortage very much with us, now is the time to remind the handicapped (this includes the deaf) that the UTA has a special pass available. This pass will allow bus riders to take the bus free between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, and after 6:00 pm Mondays thru Fridays, and all day on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. During the other hours, simply show the pass and ride for a 10¢ base fare.

To obtain a Handy-Pass application, contact your nearest social service agency for the handicapped within your county. Or contact:

- Salt Lake County: Community Services Council, 486-2136
- Davis County: United Way, 295-2394, Ext. 248
- Weber County: Social Services Coordinating Council, 621-1660

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So that UAD convention news can be included in the July issue, we will publish the Spotlight one week later than usual. Deadline for the July issue is June 23. Contact your area reporter -- Celia May Baldwin, Dorothy Young, Nellie Sausedo, Cleo Peterson, Jean Nelson or Mary Sanderson. Or call the editor, Val Platt, 112 W. 5150 S., Ogden, Ut. 84403 -- TTY 479-5259 if you have news for the Spotlight.

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