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February Happenings

Monday 2nd -- Self-Help for the Hard of Hearing (SHHH) officers' meeting, 7:30 pm at the Utah Community Center for the Deaf, 388 N. 400 E., Bountiful.

Tuesday 3rd -- Cooking class, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon, at the Center for the Deaf, will give pointers on baking Valentine cakes and cookies.

Tuesdays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th -- Toughlove session, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Center for the Deaf, with Toughlove volunteers in charge.

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th -- Sign language class, 7:00-8:30 pm at the Center for the Deaf, taught by Ron and Kristi Nelson.

Friday 6th -- Salt Lake Frat meeting and social, 6:45 pm at the Center for the Deaf.

Saturday 7th -- Utah Association for the Deaf board of directors' meeting, 9:00 am at the Center for the Deaf.

Saturday 7th -- Utah Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf certification workshop, at the Center for the Deaf. Contact Annette Tull for time.

Saturday 7th -- Hearing Impaired Verification (HIV) photo session, 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Call Robert Bonnell for an appointment to have your picture taken. New equipment makes it possible to obtain your HIV card right after your photo session. If there are no appointments by Thursday before the photo session, it will be cancelled.

Saturday 14th -- Bonneville Bowlers Club of the Deaf meeting and elections, 1:00-3:00 pm; social and dinner at 6:00 and 7:00 pm, all at Labor Union Hall, 2261 S. Redwood Rd, SLC. Contact Bev Allred for information. This is a fund raiser for the 1990 PCDBA/PCDWBA bowling tournament.

Saturday 14th -- Ogden LDS Branch for the Deaf will host a winter party at Mt. Ogden Park (behind old St. Benedict's Hospital) from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. A roast beef dinner will be held at 6:00 pm to raise money for the missionary fund.

Wednesday 19th -- Self Help for the Hard of Hearing membership meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm at the Center for the Deaf.

Thursday 19th -- Senior citizens' Valentine party, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at the Center for the Deaf. A luncheon will be served at noon.

Friday 20th -- Golden Spike Athletic Club of the Deaf meeting, 7:00 pm at the USD Multipurpose Room.

Saturday 21st -- Golden Spike Athletic Club of the Deaf old timers party.

CIRCLE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR IN RED!

Saturday, March 7, 1987

**BIG EVENT FOR EVERYONE!
WATCH FOR FURTHER INFORMATION!
DO NOT MISS IT!**

Summary of Board Minutes

December 6, 1986 at the Utah Community Center for the Deaf. Present: D. Platt, R. Sanderson, R. Walker, G. Laramie, D. Mortensen, P. Green, G. Gavros, N. Sausedo, M. Thurston, R. Cochran. R. Welsh was excused. Visitors numbered ten.

Minutes of November 1, 1986 meeting were read and approved with corrections.

Fred Bass reported that the trustees audited the 3rd quarter 1986 financial reports on the UAD general fund, and the two United Way funds, and found two typographical errors. They were accepted as audited and corrected.

D. Platt presented his report on the Fishbowl held on November 15. About 100 people attended the event. P.Green presented his financial report on refreshments, indicating \$58.62 was left over. It was moved and passed that words of appreciation be given to Lee Shepherd, Geraldine Shepherd, Shanna Mortensen, LaRue Ross, Mary Sanderson, Roy Cochran and Darlene Cochran for serving on the refreshments committee. Some feedback from the Fishbowl was given by Dennis Platt.

D. Mortensen gave a brief report on behalf of Ronald Nelson on the progression of the UAD convention plans.

A motion regarding mileage compensation for interpreters was tabled.

The board decided to pay interpreters for their unused part of vacation at the end of a fiscal year from the United Way of SL fund.

The board also decided that interpreter employees must have a doctor's release letter or a phone call from the doctor before returning to work and be capable of resuming normal duties. This will be included in the Interpreter Policy and will apply to all interpreter employees after this.

Freelance interpreters working for the UAD interpreter program will be compensated 20 1/2 cents per mile, according to a motion made and passed.

A reconsideration of the motion regarding the doctor's release letter failed to carry.

Several people have accepted invitation to be on the UAD Advisory Board. The secretary was directed to send out invitations to the remaining people on the list.

The board decided to suspend the donation of Model 28 TTYs to UCCD until UAD officers have talked with the UCCD director.

The business manager was directed to search for a CPA in the Bountiful and Salt Lake area.

R. Cochran briefed the board on the UAD officers' meeting with Dr. Judy Buffmire, Beth Ann Campbell and Jim Hilber.

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Copies of the revised Interpreter Policy were passed out to board members for study and input.

It was mentioned that a rally would be held at UCCD on Friday December 12 at 7:00 pm regarding the equal access bill to be introduced to the upcoming legislature.

The board was informed that there is a vacancy on the Institutional Council as one member is moving out of state. Robert Sanderson was nominated as a candidate for this vacancy.

Jay Barker presented information on the educational bill, Bill 65, to be introduced in the legislature in January. He asked that deaf people be present at a meeting on Wednesday, December 10 at 9:00 am.

R. Sanderson presented the final financial report on the NAD/UAD convention committee fund. The report showed the profit from the convention to be \$3,197.78 for the UAD general fund and \$8.41 (from the float fund) for the Miss Deaf Utah fund. The board accepted the unaudited report.

Rodney W. Walker
Secretary

Attention, Young Deaf Ladies!

Robert DeSpain

This coming June, the Utah Association for the Deaf will sponsor its fifth biennial Miss Deaf Utah Pageant, for young deaf ladies from the ages 17 through 27.

It is not just a "beauty" pageant. It means a lot more than just a "beauty" pageant to all the young deaf women.

In 1972, the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) initiated the Miss Deaf America Pageant with the dual purpose of providing young, talented deaf women the opportunity to assume leadership roles in the society of the hearing impaired, and of conveying deaf awareness to the public.

Every two years, many states have their own state pageant for young deaf women. The winner of each state pageant participates in the Miss Deaf America Pageant to win the national title!

Utah had its first state pageant in 1979. Today there are almost 40 states which have a state pageant.

All young deaf women who participate in the pageant have gained many benefits, such as making new friends, experiencing various situations, learning skills, and the like.

It is not too late to participate in the 1987 Miss Deaf Utah Pageant!! If you or your friend are interested, contact Shirley Snow, the state pageant director, at 533-5997 (T/V, work, Bountiful) or 292-8052 (T/V, home, Bountiful) for further information about the state pageant.

Lobby Your Legislators!

SB Bill 101, which is titled "Hearing Impaired Telecommunication Access Act," is sponsored by Senator Darrell Renstrom (D-Ogden). It is a program to help deaf persons gain better access to regular telephone service. The key features of this bill are:

1. provide TDDs to any deaf person who qualifies
2. set up a 24 hour central relay system connecting deaf TDD users with hearing persons
3. involve deaf persons in setting up the program
4. begin sometime in 1987 and grow to full service by 1989

The telephone access program would be paid for by a surcharge on every business and home phone line in the state. The money collected would be put in a fund to pay for the purchase, maintenance and distribution of TDDs, and for training and administration.

We need everyone to lobby their legislator -- both senators and representatives. Call, write or meet them in person! If you do not know who your legislator is, call Dave Mortensen, LLOYD Perkins or Robert Bonnell for the name and address you need. Then move -- let your legislator know that this bill is needed. It will not cost the state of Utah anything, and if passed, would give equal access to deaf people with regard to the phone.

CALL YOUR SENATOR AT THE STATE CAPITOL --
533-5701
CALL YOUR REP AT THE STATE CAPITOL --
533-5801

Leave a message with the secretary that you want the senator or representative (give his/her name) to support the bill. Give the bill name and number, and give your name and phone number. The above phone numbers are served by a TTY. Make use of it now!

Ask your deaf and hearing friends -- your neighbors, your co workers, your family members -- to lobby their legislators. We need to get this bill out of committee and on the floor of the Senate. We need every bit of support!

UAD Business Office Hours Restricted

Valerie Platt, UAD business manager who had volunteered many hours of service to manage the UAD business office for the past three years, will be managing UAD affairs from her home. Sales at the UAD office will continue under Robert Bonnell, sales agent.

Because Val has taken a seasonal job at Internal Revenue Service in Ogden, her hours at the UAD office will be greatly restricted. If you need information, or wish to give her information, call her at her home (an answering service will take your message if she is not home) -- 479-5259 in Ogden. She will check the office once a week for messages and mail.

Legislative Insight

Janet Barker

It is good to know your representative in the state legislature. On December 10th I had the opportunity to attend a Legislative Council meeting and see how the laws are made. This has made me more aware that we can approach these men and women and make them familiar with the problems facing the deaf.

Grant Protzman is a rookie. He was just elected to a seat representing the northern area of Ogden. I know Grant and called him last week to find out how he feels about House Bill 53 (this was the education bill that we mentioned last month, which had been originally numbered HB 65 -- editor's note). He said the state is in a financial bind and he could not vote for any bill that would increase the debt unless it was essential. I mentioned the telephone equal access which has been introduced. As this will be funded through the telephone system he would vote for it.

John (Jack) Arrington serves the Utah School for the Deaf area. He needs to be kept up to date on the needs of the deaf. Find out who your representative is. Write them a letter and make them familiar with your problems -- send copies to other representatives. Write and invite them to meetings or special occasions at the Center for the Deaf. If we don't tell them what is needed they can't help us.

Support Telephone Equal Access Day at the state legislature. Take a few hours vacation time if your work, and go meet the men and women who make the laws we have to live with.

Norman Williams Named Employee of the Month

The Division of Rehabilitation Services has selected Norman Williams as its Employee of the Month for November. Norman, who has worked for DRS for over ten years, was recognized for his outstanding contribution of talent to fund raising projects and for the good example he sets for other people who are deaf.

People who have attended any of the fund raisers at the Utah Community Center for the Deaf have seen Norman's creative talent for decorating the gym and hallways at Halloween and Christmas parties and the spring dinner party.

Want to Share Your Ideas, Thoughts, Information?

The UAD Bulletin welcomes articles of general interest from its readers. Articles must be fit for publication -- that is, not slanderous, and in good taste. Your name will be printed along with the article headline.

Applications Accepted for Interpreter Position

An interpreter position with the Utah Association for the Deaf interpreting program has been opened up. The position pays \$13,000 a year, and includes health benefits and mileage compensation.

Certification at the Associate II level or higher is required. Application forms are available from Beth Ann Campbell, Dave Mortensen and Valerie Platt.

Deadline for turning in completed application forms to Valerie Platt is February 10th. An interview will be set up for February 16-20, with starting work date of March 9.

911 Emergency Number

Janet Barker

There is more than one 911 emergency program. In Baltimore, Maryland the 911E (enhanced) is being used. First let me explain how the program works. When you dial 911 you are immediately connected with a dispatcher who is sitting at a computer terminal. On her screen she sees the phone number and address you are calling from -- this is done automatically when you dial the 911 number.

With the 911E program it is possible to add more information that will pop up along with your phone number and address. You could add information that there are deaf persons in the home, or a baby, or other handicapped person living there. The dispatcher would see this information on the screen and tell the police, fire or ambulance that they will need to check for a deaf child or handicapped adult.

Many of the emergency services do have TDDs, but if the house is on fire, who wants to talk on the TDD? With the information already programmed into the 911E system you could just dial 911 and leave the house. The emergency services would respond to your call and the dispatcher would know not to expect you to hear and answer her questions.

It will be approximately one year before this service is available in Ogden. If you live in an area that already has the 911 service you can contact them and find out if the enhanced services are available.

TTY Jottings

Latest word on the 1987 Utah TTY/TDD Directory is that technical problems have held up the publication. The new target date is approximately February 10th. Copies of the directory will be available from sales agents and at the UAD business office. Cost is \$2.50 if bought in person. Mail orders will be handled by the UAD Business Office; mailed copies are \$3.00 per copy. Order your copy by sending a check to the UAD Business Office, %TTY Directory, 388 N. 400 E., Bountiful, UT 84010.

Full Time UCCD Secretary Hired

Sherry Lougy, who had been a part time secretary for the Independent Living Skills program, has been hired as a full time secretary for the Center for the Deaf. She replaces Patricia Morrison who left to devote more time to her studies at Westminster College.

Be sure to let Sherry know of your address change if you move; and if you are not receiving the UCCD News (it's free), call her and give her your name and address so a subscription can be started.

Frat to Host 25th Quadrennial Convention

Held every four years, the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf convention will be held July 19-25, 1987 at the Meadowlands Hilton, at Secaucus, NJ. For the first time, exhibitions will be a feature of the convention along with the business sessions.

Tours are being arranged for the State of Liberty, Atlantic City, Meadowlands horseracing, Thomas Edison's laboratory and home, Grant Stadium, and other sights.

For more information, write to Cynthia Jeffery, Public Relations, 402 Tournament Dr. Apt 8, Union, NJ 07083.

Art Class to be Set Up

Louise Saathoff, who does extensive art work, plans to teach an evening class at the Utah Community Class for the Deaf for those interested in art. Beginners are welcome to join.

The dates have not been decided yet, but do give Louise a call and let her know you are interested. Leave a message at UCCD, 533-5997, for her.

Second Deaf Women's Conference to be Held

August 5-9, 1987 is the date circled for the 2nd National Deaf Women's Conference, to be held at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. The first one was held in Los Angeles, California a few years ago.

Those interested in attending should write to Barbara Kannapell, %Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Wheels, Wheels

John & Vida White
1986 Oldsmobile Delta 88
Driftwood



Telephone Equal Access Day on January 30

Come one, come all! Take the time (vacation time from work, if necessary) and be at the State Office Building Auditorium, first floor (behind the state capitol) to meet your legislator. Governor Bangerter has been invited to speak at the 10:00 am meeting; legislators and other guests are expected. After the meeting, we go over to the State Capitol and visit our senators and representatives. Interpreters will be available.

Utah's hearing and speech impaired persons want equal access to the telephone system. Legislation has been introduced in the Utah state legislature which would establish a statewide program making TDDs and a 24 hour central relay system available for the deaf.

The service is to be paid by a surcharge of a few cents a month on each of the 700,000 phone lines in Utah. Out of an estimated population of 1.7 million people in Utah, 103,000 have mild to severe hearing problems. Of that number, 60,000 have a significant hearing problem. 14,000 of that number are considered deaf, with less than 200 deaf-blind people who could benefit from a TDD specially designed for them. The figures on speech impaired people -- those who can hear but who cannot speak -- were not available at the time of writing.

To a Higher Calling

December 23 -- Wallace Kirk of Ely, Nevada, passed away at the age of 78 after a stroke. He was buried a week later in Pleasant Grove. He was a brother of Olive Stanley, Ogden, and an uncle of Kirk Allred, SLC.

December 25 -- Owen Woodruff, 67, died of a heart condition. He was the father of Vickie Everett, Roy and grandfather of Mike Roach, Ogden.

January 2 -- Richard Stanley, 39, passed away. He was the son of Olive Stanley, Ogden, and the late Marvin Stanley.

January 3 -- Stanford Sagers of Enterprise, died of an heart attack.

January 4 -- Wayne Stewart, 51, died. His funeral and burial was accorded police honors. Wayne was the first husband of Beth Ann Campbell, SLC.

January 6 -- Thomas Kendall, 81, of Nephi, passed away. He was grandfather of Jim Jenkins, Clearfield.

Hospital Rounds

January 4 -- Rosa Lee Parkin suffered a painful accident when a car door was slammed on her left thumb. Stitches were needed to close the wound.

January 7 -- Edna Nelson, of Blackfoot, Idaho was in LDS Hospital, SLC for a triple bypass. She is the mother of Keith Nelson, Ogden.

Update on Closed Captioning

(For dates and times of programs listed below, check your local listings. Also, for updates on closed captioned programs, check your TV -- turn to ABC, and be sure the decoder is turned to C1 and TEXT)

*** **American Playhouse**, a critically acclaimed drama anthology series shown on PBS, has begun its sixth season, with closed captioning. It features dramatic works by such American literary greats as Arthur Miller, Eudora Welty, Horton Foote and Lanford Wilson.

*** **Nightline** began January 5 with closed captioning as a program of in depth reporting on one or more of the major stories in the news through a combination of live interviews with newsmakers and focus reports from **Nightline** correspondents in the field. Ted Koppel is the anchorman for this program. (This ABC program is not currently offered in the Utah area. Write to Channel 4, KTVX, 1760 S. Fremont Dr, Salt Lake City, UT 84104 and request that they air it locally. Let the editor know if you receive a response).

Travels Here 'n' There

Ruth Roberts visited friends and family members while in Indianapolis, Indiana recently...Ed Bell spent a week with his mother in Willcox, Arizona...Gene & JoAnn Stewart flew to Hawaii and spent ten days there -- they also had his two daughters and her daughter with them...Art Valdez flew to Denver, Colorado to spend the holidays with his family and friends...Louise Saathoff spent the Christmas weekend with her family in Portland, Oregon...Celia May, Dora and Laury Baldwin made it to Utah for Christmas with the Laramies after fog cancelled their original flight...Bobbie Gavros, also faced with a cancelled flight, made it and spent the holidays with the Gavros family...

Wedding Bells

November 29 -- Rebecca Wilson to Clayton Carter, in wedding rites performed at an American Fork senior citizens' center. Rebecca is a daughter of Walter Wilson and Mauna Wilson, both of SLC.



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at the
State Legislature*

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Friday, January 30

10:00 a.m.

*State Office Building Auditorium
First Floor
(Bldg. behind State Capitol)*

Governor Bangerter has been invited to speak, legislators and other guests are also expected. After the 10:00 a.m. meeting we will go over to the State Capitol and visit with our senators and representatives. Interpreters will be available.

For information call:

Dave Mortensen 566-4423

Lloyd Perkins, Bob Bonnell 533-5997

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