



# South Carolina News

December 2003

## SCAD Welcomes New Executive Director

After many months of searching for a new Executive Director of SCAD...at last, a person has been selected to serve as the third Executive Director of SCAD. So here I am...My name is Paul May, your brand-new Executive Director!

Thank you for your confidence in choosing me for this position. I appreciate it very much and I give you my word that I will perform to the best of my ability in serving the community. I truly believe that I will succeed in promoting SCAD into a widely recognized organization in South Carolina, America, and perhaps the world!

For those who do not know me that well, let me tell you a story... I grew up in the mountains of East Tennessee for almost half of my life. I graduated from East Carolina



**Paul May**  
New SCAD Executive Director

University (ECU) in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science in Theatre Arts Education and Master of Science in Instructional Technology in 2002. As an American Sign Language instructor, I taught students at the University preparing for careers as Registered Interpreters for the Deaf, I also taught 5<sup>th</sup> grade class/6<sup>th</sup> grade computer class at the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf.

When Hurricane Floyd struck the Carolinas in 1999, I participated in an outreach program to aid deaf

persons whose lives were affected by the storm. The Hurricane Floyd Outreach Training Workshop is how I was introduced me to another person working in that effort – Holly Blake. Holly Blake has since become Holly May. Holly and I are the proud parents of a beautiful daughter now almost seven months old. We live in Columbia, where Holly works at the South Carolina Department of Mental Health serving deaf/hard of hearing clients of that program.

Now I would like to share my goals for the long-term future of the SCAD. It may take 5 years or more to achieve many of these things because they are not simple goals. Getting grants approved by many federal offices and private corporations in order to accomplish those goals is a very time-consuming process that requires both patience and persistence. In order to achieve these goals we

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SCAD want to give our many thanks to....

### Missy McManus and Ken Goulston Of Sprint Relay

For their efforts in Sponsoring the NAD Region III Conference on October 3-5 2003 in West Columbia.



# SCIRT Project Report

The SC Interpreter Recruitment & Training (SCIRT) project has had a very busy few months! The project has been warmly received at several Interpreter Training Programs (ITPs) in Tennessee and North Carolina. It is hoped that through presentations at these ITPs that graduates and interns will consider relocating to South Carolina. The SCIRT project has also been fortunate to visit high school students

around the state to convince them to become interpreters as a career. Finally, the project has just conducted a Fingerspelling workshop to improve the skills of the Palmetto State interpreters. Forty-two (42) interpreters attended this fabulous training opportunity and SCAD members will hopefully see the fruits of this labor through improved interpreter fingerspelling skills! In addition to all of these ac-

tivities, the SCIRT project has been working one-on-one with ten educational interpreters in the Anderson and Aiken area. These interpreters are eager to improve their skills and are committed to providing improved access to curriculum through better interpretations. Their dedication is to be applauded.

Steve Fitzmaurice  
Director of SCIRT Project

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must first promote SCAD to the public by networking with other organizations and governmental agencies. Deaf people and Deaf culture are sometimes invisible to the hearing world. We must do all that we can to become a recognized and successful part of the entire community – not just the deaf community. We live in hearing world and must interact with hearing people, sharing our culture, and working with them. Making deaf people a recognized part of the everyday life of all people will go a long way in making the lives of our children, if not ourselves, a better life.

One thing that may help in making that come to pass is to consider establishing a new home office for SCAD that might be in the business district where it will be more convenient for the membership to visit us – and be a more visible part of the Capital of our State. If it can be worked out, a large one-floor building with plenty of parking spaces that is ADA-accessible would provide a facility that would

do us proud.

Looking inwardly, a Senior Citizen Retirement community for retired deaf seniors and others who need special care can get together as a large family, would be a very valuable addition to the deaf community. It will not be a very easy task because it will consume a lot of manpower, time, planning and fundraising.

Similarly, establishing an independent living community for many young deaf people where job-training, independent-living skills, employment, et cetera can be provided.

We can all think of more things that would be desirable; but we need to focus on a beginning. I look forward to all of us working together as a team, not individuals. I am very much looking forward to providing quality services to the community in South Carolina! Please stop by my office and meet me.

### *Important Note from Home Office:*

## **New Changes in SC News**

Due to restrictions in our budget, we've had to make some difficult decisions that are in the best interest of our organization. We will be putting articles and information in an email format to be sent to our members who have provided us with an email address. We will have to reduce the number of newsletters to be printed and send it to our members who do not have personal computers or email addresses. If you have an email address and wish to receive our newsletter by email, please contact the Home Office by phone or email.



# News from Around

## SCSDB INITIATES ITINERANT DEAF SERVICES PILOT PROJECT

By: Carol Mabry Garrett.  
SCSDB Vice President

In September, SCSDB began a pilot project to serve deaf and hard of hearing children in Lexington School District 3. SCSDB, through a contract with the district, provides a certified, qualified teacher of the deaf to serve approximately thirteen (13) deaf and hard of hearing children in their district of residence.

These students are served by SCSDB teacher, Lisa Borden. Ms. Borden has experience as an early interventionist, special education teacher and developed the itinerant program for students with hearing loss in nine urban and rural school districts in the state of Texas. Ms. Borden maintains both a BS degree in Deaf Education and a Masters of Education degree. She also has exemplary sign language skills.

The itinerant deaf services pilot project parallels the current Vision Outreach program. SCSDB maintains contracts with approximately forty six (46) school districts whereby SCSDB teachers of the visually impaired and orientation and mobility specialists serve approximately two hundred fifty (250) children per year throughout the state.

Based on the visible need

throughout the state for itinerant deaf services, SCSDB hopes to expand this pilot project in the future.

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## SCSDB HOMECOMING

Saturday, October 18 was a big day at the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind. Fans, alumni, parents and students from all walks of life converged on the grounds of Cedar Springs to observe a day full of homecoming activities.

The day's activities kicked off with a volleyball match between SCSDB and NCSDB at 10 am in Voss gym. The lady Bears from North Carolina were the superior team defeating the lady Hornets by 3 to 1 in match play. The young Hornets concluded their season with a 4 win 17 loss record.

The Parent Auction hosted by the school Foundation, was held at noon under the big tent. The purpose of this auction was to raise money for our school to help purchase much needed equipment and supplies for our students.

The football game kicked off with bang at 2:30 pm as the Hornets swarmed over the visiting Bears taking a convincingly 64 to 20 win. The Bears had trouble holding on to the ball and lost several fumbles that the Hornets were able to capitalize

on and score. At halftime the homecoming court was introduced and the King and Queen were crowned.

Later in the evening, the Deaf and Blind alumni associations had their annual banquets. The students had a social and a DJ was on hand to provide music for entertainment. The North Carolina coaches reported having a good time over the weekend and even commented about how good the food was.

Next years Homecoming will be held on October 23 and our opponent will be the Georgia School for the Deaf.

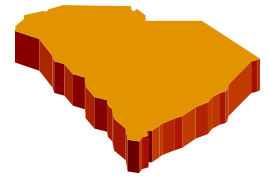


## SCSDB Football Finale

Last Thursday night (11/04/03) the SCSDB football team closed out the season in grand fashion defeating Grace Christian 50 to 8 at Summerville.

There was a good crowd of former students, parents and mainstream students attending from the Charleston area. Even WCIV news channel 4 sports reporter Pete Lucas was on hand to interview some of our athletes who live in the area and

# South Carolina



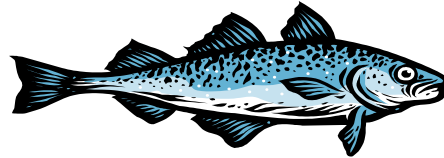
tape some of the game. Pete informed me that the projected date to air the piece would be Wednesday on the 6 o'clock news in Charleston.

The fans were entertained with a great football game and some fancy cheerleading from our student athletes. The Hornet reserves gained valuable experience and playing time, by playing most of the game starting in the second quarter. In the waning seconds of the game, Coaches Dennis Jacques and Jeremy Carpenter were surprisingly caught off guard and doused with 2 coolers of Gatorade by the team. What a site! Seeing two poor, but happy coaches walking around drenching wet with Gatorade.

SCSDB final record is 4 wins 5 losses. With only one senior Justin Gilreath, the Hornets should be a greatly improved team next fall.

Everyone had a great time and many appreciated the fact that SCSDB was able play football in the area.

Bob Morrow  
Athletics Director



## FISHING NEWS By Bassin Bob

Lake Wylie- Saturday, November 8. The South Carolina Bass Anglers of the Deaf had their 11<sup>th</sup> tournament of the year at Ebenezer Park on Lake Wylie. Seven deaf anglers showed up on this cold morning to participate. Allen Franklin (Jackson, S. C.) after more than a year of being absent from fishing, was the surprise participant. It was great to have Allen back fishing with us again.

Fishing at Wylie was great as Bob Morrow (Spartanburg) had the hot hand by taking first place honors with a catch of 2 big lunkers weighing a total of 6 pounds, 1 ounce. This was Morrow's second straight win. Allen Franklin took second place with a catch of 1 fish weighting 1 pound 9 ounces.

The next and final tournament of 2003 will be on November 22 and again held at Lake Wylie.

Fishing at Wylie has been great this year. Take care and hope to see you there.

### Fishing Results: (winner, fish/dead, weight)

- 1) Bob Morrow, 2/0, 6 lbs 1 oz
  - 2) Allen Franklin, 1/0, 1 lb 9 oz
  - 3) Richard Price, 1/0, 1 lb 7 oz (15 ¼ inches)
  - 4) Edward Montgomery, 1/0, 1 lb 7 oz (14 ¼ inches)
  - 5) Harland Bryant, 1/0, .12 oz
- Richard Hiott, 0  
Chuck Funderburk, 0

### Lunker:

- 1) Bob Morrow, 3 lbs 5 oz
- 2) Bob Morrow, 2 lbs 12 oz



### Wedding Announcement

#### Fitzpatrick (Dyer) - Brock

Susan Fitzpatrick (Dyer) and Calvin Brock of Anderson, got married on November 14, 2003. They are very happy living together.

## SCAD's Holiday Schedule

SCAD Home Office will be closed on Thursday, December 25th and Friday, December 26th for Christmas Holiday. The office also will be closed on January 1, 2004 for New Year's Day.



# Season Greeting Messages From Board Members and Staff



“May Christmas be good to you and your family with love and spirit. Merry Christmas to you all!!”  
Anita Steichen  
President

“May you have a blessed and joyous Christmas and have a safe and Happy New Year ‘04”  
Pamela Jordan, WPAD Rep.

“Wish y’all a joyous holiday season and a blessed new year!”  
Steve, Kim, Georgia, & Jo Fitzmaurice  
Director of SCIRT and his family

“Wishing you every happiness this holiday season and throughout the coming year”  
Eddie Hanna,  
Administrator

“Warmest thoughts and Best Wishes for a wonderful Holiday and every happiness in the New Year 2004. Feliz Navidad!”  
Andrea & Chris Johnson  
SCAD Secretary/Treasurer

“Happy holiday to all member of SCAD officers and members of SCAD.”  
Happy Holiday from  
Sandi, Flora, and Richard Hiott  
LCAD Rep.

“Hope you have a wonderful happy holidays with your loved ones. I am looking forward this holidays to spend time with families and friends at home”  
Donna M. Jones  
Member At Large For Coastal

“May lovely, happy time decorate your holiday season. May warm, special memories brighten your new year. May the wonder of Christmas be with you forever.”  
From Spartanburg Association of the Deaf (SgAD)

“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” - Luke 2:14  
“May Lord Almighty bless you all over Holidays”  
Paul, Holly, and Tori May  
Executive Director and his family

“From my family to yours...have a Joyous Holiday Season!!”  
Lee Anne Glover  
Admin Asst.

## Join SCAD Today!

### - SCAD Membership Form -

**Remember, your membership includes SCAD publications and rights to voice and vote.**

**Please Check One**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen Couple - \$15/yr     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen Individual - \$10/yr | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student - \$10/yr                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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# SCAD Schedule of Events

## DECEMBER

**December 1, 2003 (Monday) through December 24, 2003 (Wednesday)** - Spartanburg Association of the Deaf (SgAD) will host a fundraising Christmas Gift Wrap at Westgate Mall, Spartanburg. Please come and support our fundraising.

**December 2, 2003 (Tuesday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Spartanburg Day, AWAY, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 4, 2003 (Thursday)** - 9:30 am to 2:00 pm, SC College and Career Day for High School Students who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind or Visually Impaired, Voss Center at SCSSDB in Spartanburg, SC. For more information, please contact Bob Day at (864) 577-7744 voice or (864) 577-7746 TTY.

**December 4, 2003 (Thursday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Grace Christian, **HOME**, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 5, 2003 (Friday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Tennessee School f/t Deaf, AWAY at Knoxville, TN, TBA.

**December 6, 2003 (Saturday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, AWAY at Knoxville, TN, TBA.

**December 6, 2003 (Saturday)** - SCSSDB Basketball,

Virginia School f/t Deaf, AWAY at Knoxville, TN, TBA.

**December 9, 2003 (Tuesday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Spartanburg Christian Academy, **HOME**, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 11, 2003 (Thursday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Lockhart, AWAY, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 14, 2003 (Sunday)** - 1:30pm, Shandon Baptist Church's "The Singing Christmas Tree" Performances with sign language interpreter. Cost is Free. 5250 Forest Drive, Columbia, SC 29206. Contact Suzy Paul to reserve a seat at 791-3247 or [jonsuzypaul@aol.com](mailto:jonsuzypaul@aol.com)

**December 16, 2003 (Tuesday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, Oakbrook Prep, **HOME**, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 18, 2003 (Thursday)** - SCSSDB Basketball, North Carolina School f/t Deaf, **HOME**, Girls 6pm, Boys 7:30pm.

**December 31, 2003 (Wednesday)** - 6:00 pm until ??? Midlands Association of the Deaf (MAD) will host a New Year's Eve Party at Club House. Cost include finger foods is \$10.00. There will be Geo's special sandwiches for only \$2.00 for limited time only. BYOB (No

Glass bottles)

## JANUARY

**January 10, 2004 (Saturday)** - 9:00 - 10:00 am Breakfast Social, 10:00 am until ???, **SCAD Board Meeting**, SCAD Home Office

**January 10, 2004 (Saturday)** - 9:00 am, The South Carolina Bass Anglers of the Deaf's regular meeting at Midlands Deaf Church, Behind Springsdale Baptist Church on 357 Wattling Road, West Columbia 29170. The Meeting will be about planning the 2004 SCBAD fishing schedule and the Classic Tournament. Everyone is welcome.

## MARCH

**March 6, 2004 (Saturday)** - 9:00 - 10:00 am Breakfast Social, 10:00 am until ???, **SCAD Board Meeting**, SCAD Home Office

## APRIL

**April 24-25, 2004 (Saturday and Sunday)** - Revival by Carter Bearden at First Baptist Church in Dillon, SC.

## MAY

**May 1, 2004 (Saturday)** - 9:00 - 10:00 am Breakfast Social, 10:00 am until ???, **SCAD Board Meeting**, SCAD Home Office

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#### **Annual Dues**

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Senior Citizen Couple	\$15.00
Student	\$10.00
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