

South Carolina News

June 2004

SCAD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RESIGNS

As you have probably heard, the Executive Director, Paul May, resigned his position on May 13, 2004. His resignation was accepted by me as President on that date and Paul is no longer with the Association. While this appears to most of you as a very sudden change, it has actually been building for a period of time.

This Association, as with any other membership organization, is driven by the membership. The membership gives its direction to the Association by its election of the Board of Directors, who in turn instructs the management and staff as to what is to be done. The suggestions and recommendations

by the membership to the Board members determine the goals and objectives for the Association. It is the responsibility of the Executive Committee of the Board and the Executive Director to carry out the duties as assigned by the Board. Unfortunately, the goals and objectives set by the Board were different from those of the Executive Director and were in many cases not being accomplished.

While there were many good ideas and a number of things started by the Executive Director it was the decision of the Executive Committee that the Association could not go in two directions at the same time. The Board of

Directors, with its responsibility to the membership, needed to be the one to chart the direction of the Association and the Executive Director needed to follow that direction, whether he agreed or not. This disagreement on the goals and objectives of the Association led to the resignation.

We wish Paul the best in his future endeavors and are deciding on a plan for replacement. The Association is strong in spirit, growing in membership and financially solid. It has been, is and will continue to be the South Carolina Association OF THE DEAF.

Anita Steichen—President

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE WORKSHOP

HOSTED BY MULTICULTURAL OUTREACH SERVICES (MOS)

On Saturday, May 8, 2004, MOS hosted a Parliamentary Procedure Workshop at the Holiday Inn in West Columbia. A former NAD President from Pennsylvania, Libby Pollard, was the presenter. She gave the audience an excellent workshop. The workshop topic included roles of the members and officers, how to take minutes, how to conduct business, bylaws, debate, voting classification of motions and how to run an effective meeting. The mock meeting skit was a fun learning addition as well. We were very lucky to have this opportunity

to learn about the roles of a Board Officer or Chapter Officer for the future. It was so amazing to learn all this information. The MOS Committee wants to say thanks to Sprint and Missy McManus for sponsoring the luncheon at the workshop. Also, we thank Missy McManus and Donna Jones for being our Deaf-Blind Interpreters. As the MOS chairperson, I would like to thank my MOS Committee, Alan Stricklin, Patty Manigo, Jorge Aristizabal and Glendia Boon. Additionally, I wanted to say thanks to Paul May for helping me prepare for this workshop. Thank you for

coming to the workshop. We should also thank Libby Pollard for coming to South Carolina.

Andrea Johnson—MOS

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A Note From the President

Hello Folks! Here comes the summer! Are you looking forward to a vacation, going on a trip to visit with families, cooking out and swimming? Hope you all have a good, safe summer!

SCAD will have a cook-out on June 19 for the Pageant fundraising. Our Miss Deaf South Carolina, LaTasha Walker will be going to Kansas City to compete for Miss Deaf America. The flyer is included with this newsletter and I hope you can all come and support by donating to the Pageant Fund. Good luck, LaTasha!

Please mark your calendars on September 18, 2004 for the Special Conference in Greenville, SC. Spartanburg Association of the Deaf (SgAD) and Western Association of the Deaf (WPAD) are working together to have a big event during the evening after the Special Conference.

I want to THANK Libby Pollard for the Parliamentary workshop. The workshop was so wonderful. I also want to thank Andrea Johnson and Paul May for their hard work with MOS Committee. We have to thank Relay Sprint for the lunch during the workshop. Hope we will have another workshop in the future

for those who had not been to the workshop.

Anita Steichen—President

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SCAD would like to thank the following for their generous donations from January 1—May 31. Your continuing support allows the association to grow and provide more programs, activities and services.

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Stephen Fitzmaurice

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Articles must be submitted by the 15th of the month. The preferred method of submission is via email.

In Memory

William Young

Sympathy to the family

Captioning Project Enters Sixth Year

The Real-Time Closed Caption Project is entering its sixth year of operation. Real-Time Closed captioning of live newscasts provides the deaf and hard-of-hearing community with access to up-to-date news and weather information. Prior to the implementation of the Project, most stations only captioned the scripted portions of local news broadcasts. This meant that deaf and hard of hearing individuals did not have access to same information as hearing consumers.

The Project is a public-private

partnership between the Association, the South Carolina Public Service Commission, WIS-TV, WCSC-TV, WBTW-TV, and WYFF TV. According to Anita Steichen, President of the South Carolina Association of the Deaf, "This initiative has improved the quality of life for all the members of the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. I hope this Project will serve as a model for other states to follow when addressing the information needs of our community."

Steve Fooshe

SCIRT Project Update

The SCIRT Project has almost completed it's second year, I wanted to provide the SCAD membership with a brief update on what's been going on.

The SCIRT project has hosted five training sessions this year for South Carolina interpreters focusing on topics of Deaf-Blind interpreting, Educational interpreting and Legal interpreting. In total, 115 interpreters from across the state have attended these sessions. Additionally, the SCIRT project will host another training session focusing on "Sign to English Interpreting" which will be held June 11-12, 2004.

The SCIRT Project has visited 4 Interpreter Training Programs in Georgia, North Carolina (2) and Tennessee in an attempt to recruit graduates of these programs to come to the Palmetto State. These visits

encompassed 59 students. The SCIRT project has also been busy presenting to six South Carolina public schools to convince students to become interpreters and attend an Interpreter Training Program. The total number of people attending these presentations exceeds 190 students.

In addition, the SCIRT project director has been fortunate to work one-on-one with 15 educational interpreters in the Aiken and Anderson 5 school districts. All of these interpreters have worked on improving their interpreting skills and are very grateful to SCAD for such a tremendous opportunity.

The SCIRT project has also sponsored six interpreters taking Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Certification Examinations. All three of the candidates for

Highlights of the Board Meeting

The SCAD Board had a brief meeting on May 1, 2004. They discussed the following items.... Everyone was urged to attend the Parliamentary Procedure Workshop – May 8th at the Holiday Inn in West Columbia, SC. The ASLTA (American Sign Language Teacher Association) will have their first meeting in August. They approved donating \$250 to the NAD Law and Advocacy Center. SgAD and WPAD will have the Special Conference in Greenville on September 18th. The next Board Meeting will be on June 19th and following the meeting there will be the Miss Deaf SC Pageant Cook-Out.

Andrea Johnson—Sec./Trea.

the Written Examination have passed making them candidates for the Performance examination. The three remaining candidates have scheduled their Performance Examinations and, once their results are known, the results will be passed on to the SCAD membership.

Finally the SCIRT project has seen an increase of ten interpreters this year, and the SCIRT project has been active in improving the skill of qualified interpreters throughout the state.

Steve Fitzmaurice—SCIRT

**Your SCAD membership
Expiring soon?**

Don't forget to Renew

SCSDB Outreach Services To Host Focus Group for Rock Hill Area Deaf Residents

If you are a deaf resident in the Rock Hill and surrounding area, you are cordially invited to a focus group discussion and introduction to Scott A. Falcone, the new South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind – Midlands Regional Outreach Center Director. This event will occur on Wednesday, June 23, 2004 at 4:00 pm at:

Blind's Midlands Regional Outreach Center – Rock Hill
197 Piedmont Blvd, Suite 202
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29732

We would like to invite all Rock Hill area deaf residents to stop by for a visit and take a look at what the future of SCSDB's Regional Outreach Centers will bring. We are interested in learning more, as well, regarding the needs of the deaf

community in this region of the state. The focus group session will begin at 5:00 pm.

Please RSVP to: Miranda Long, 803-366-3120 TTY, 803-366-2890 VOICE, or 803-366-3776 FAX

All activities will conclude by 6:00 pm. Sign Language Interpreters will be provided. Light refreshments will be served. We look forward to meeting all of you!

Deaf Teen America Pageant

On April 22-25, teenagers from 11 different Deaf Schools across the nation competed for the Mr. and Miss Deaf Teen America title, at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, in Pittsburgh.

The contestants gained a wonderful opportunity to develop such qualities as teamwork, leadership, self-esteem, social skills, and an increased understanding of diversity. One of the main goals of the pageant is to promote young Deaf leaders who have qualities necessary to enhance and strengthen the Deaf community.

Since all of the contestants competing in the Deaf Teen had already won the pageant in their home state, they came to WPSD with experience and expertise.

The contestants were judged on five different areas: private interview, home state spirit, talent,

formal wear and stage interview.

Five judges from a variety of backgrounds combined their votes to determine a winner.

The winners were...

Mr. and Miss Deaf Teen America went to Indiana School for the Deaf.

First Runner-Up went to SC School for the Deaf, Lordwin Bennett and Jillian Price. They each received a plaque; flowers; \$1000 Gallaudet University Scholarship, \$1000 NTID Scholarship, a DVD Player and a \$25 Gift Certificate to Target.

Second Runner-Up went to Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.

Third Runner-Up went to Maryland School for the Deaf.

Mr. and Miss Congeniality went to Rochester School for the Deaf.

Best Formal Wear went to SC School for the Deaf, Lordwin Bennett and Jillian Price. They each received a plaque.

Best State Spirit went to Maryland School for the Deaf.

Best Talent went to Indiana School for the Deaf.

Wilmonda McDevitt was the host at Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf. Wilmonda is a former SCSD staff.

Lordwin and Jillian looked fantastic in their formal wear and both represented SCSD with pride.

Staff and friends from SCSD along with Jillian's parents attended the pageant on Saturday night.

The seventh annual Mr. and Miss Deaf Teen America Pageant will be held at the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, in April 2005.

SCSDB

MAD's Picnic

On May 15th, the Midlands Association of the Deaf (MAD) hosted our annual picnic at Lake Murray. We had 45 people come, that's not a bad number of people. We provided a lot of food like chicken, hamburgers and vegetables! The Midlands Association of the Deaf

would like to say thanks to all the members and non-members who tried to come to the picnic, since gas prices have gone way up. People still came to enjoy themselves eating food, chatting and to see old or make new friends! Thanks again for celebrating with us. We would like to let all of you know that MAD is planning to provide a big pig roast and chicken

for the next annual picnic. Any member or non-member may contact me at gheinen@bellsouth.net for any additional information. I would like to meet all of you to focus on the Midlands Association of the Deaf's future...Thanks!

George A. Heinen, III—MAD
President

SCBDA's 2004 Mini Conference

South Carolina Black Deaf Advocates' 2nd Mini conference 2004 was held at the Super 8 Motel in Columbia, South Carolina on February 13—14, 2004. The theme was "Overcoming Barriers: A Continuous Struggle for South Carolina Black Deaf People".

Dr. Laurene Simms (Washington, DC) Presented a workshop on how Black Deaf women can empower themselves and was the keynote speaker during our Valentine Banquet dinner. Ms. Simms was very inspirational. Tanya Thompson (Columbia, SC) presented information regarding domestic violence and how you can protect yourself against domestic

violence. It was very informative.

We also held our Miss SCBDA pageant with a total of four (4) contestants. Sophia McFadden was chosen Miss SCBDA 2004-2006 and will represent us in August at the National Black Deaf Conference in Philadelphia, PA. We truly enjoyed the pageantry and talents of all the young ladies who participated.

Overall, the Mini conference was a good experience, especially how participants benefited from the workshops and other events. We thank everyone who attended for the show of support. It is appreciated very much.

SCBDA Mini Conference
Planning Committee 2004

Fishing News by Bassin' Bob

Santee—On Saturday, May 1 the South Carolina Bass Anglers of the Deaf returned to Harry's Fishcamp and Campground on the Santee Lakes of Marion and Moultrie. With only 3 fishermen participating, the cool weather and occasional rain did not stop Bob Morrow from taking first place with a big 16 inch lunker bass. The next tournament on the SCBAD tournament trail is May 22 at Lake Hartwell (Broyles Recreation Area). Hartwell is expected to be a challenge because it has been over 10 years since SCBAD fished the waters.

The SCBAD Raffle drawing was held at Harry's and congratulations are in order for the 3 winners. First place (\$150) - Billy Sizemore, Second Place (\$100) - Edward Montgomery and Third Place (\$50) - Juliet Montgomery. SCBAD extends a "Big Thank You" to those who helped with the fund raising drive.

Lake Hartwell—The South Carolina Bass Anglers of the Deaf had their 5th fishing tournament of

the year on Saturday, May 22. It has been 8 years since SCBAD hosted a tournament at Lake Hartwell. Eight fishermen showed up to challenge South Carolina's 3rd largest lake.

Harland Bryant from Pacolet took first place honors with a catch weighting 1 pound and 2 ounces. Harland's partner, Edward Montgomery from York, took second place with a catch weighing 12 ounces. Newcomer Josh Joseph from Spartanburg would have won the tournament if he and his partner has not become lost on Hartwell's huge lake. Josh's fish tilted the scales at 1 pound 12 ounces but unfortunately he was 15 minutes late and disqualified. Josh was not to be deterred and announced that he could not wait until the next tournament to try his luck again.

The next tournament was scheduled for Lake Greenwood on June 5 but has been cancelled due to several conflicts with some members who would have been unable to attend. Due to summer break, the next tournament will be held at Lake

May Membership

New

Barry Critchfield
Patricia E. Gilliam
Jeannette Driggers
Waldron M. Blackmon, Jr.
Mary Jo Simmons

Renewals

Richard & Peggy Price
Jimmy Hodge
Julie K. Macker
Ronnie & Ann Riddle
Terry & Linda Jacques
Joseph Healey
James Visan & Joan Harucki
Judith Collins
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Jeff & Missy McManus
Gene Davis
Robin Ahern
Richard & Margie Childs
George & Tracy Heinen III
Sarah West

May 1 Fishing Result:

(Place, Fish/dead, Weight)

1) Bob Morrow, 1/0, 3.0 lbs
Richard Price, 0, Richard Hiott, 0

Lunker:

1) Bob Morrow, 3.0 lbs

May 22 Fishing Result:

(Place, Fish/dead, Weight)

1) Harland Bryant, 1/0, 1.2 lbs
2) Edward Montgomery, 1/1, .12 lbs

Josh Joseph, 1 (Disq.)

Richard Hiott, 0, Pacifico Santiago, 0

Jeff West, 0, Richard Price, 0

Bob Morrow, 0

Lunker:

1) Harland Bryant, 1.2 lbs

Wylie's Ebenezer Park on September 11. Take care and have a safe summer.



Miss Deaf South Carolina Fundraising Cookout

When: June 19th, 2004

*Where: SC Assoc of Deaf
Home Office*

Time: 1 pm to 6 pm

*We will provide the hamburgers,
hotdogs and drinks*

Admission: Adult \$5.00 each

Kids (Age 8-up) \$3.00

Kids (Age 0-7) Free

*This is a fundraising event to raise \$\$\$ for
Miss Deaf SC to go NAD Conference in
Kansas City.*



SCAD Schedule of Events

JUNE

June 11-12, 2004 (Friday and Saturday) - SCIRT Project Training Sign to English Interpreting. See Website for more information

June 12, 2004 (Saturday) - 12:00pm until 1:00pm, SCRID Board meeting

June 19, 2004 (Saturday) - 10:00am until ???, **SCAD Board meeting**, SCAD Home Office

June 19, 2004 (Saturday) - 1:00pm to 6:00pm, MDSC Fundraising Cookout, SCAD Home Office. (See Flyer page 6)

JULY

July 6-10, 2004 (Tuesday—Saturday) - NAD Biennial Conference, Kansas City, MO

July 12—14, 2004 (Monday—Wednesday) - SC Department of

Education Teacher for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Training. Contact Joe Bath at jbath@sde.stat.sc.us

July 14—16, 2004 (Wednesday—Friday) - SC Department of Education, Education Interpreter Training. Contact Joe Bath at jbath@sde.state.sc.us

July 24, 2004 (Saturday) - SCDGA's monthly golf tournament, Waterway Hills, North Myrtle Beach, Contact George Heinen at gheinen@bellsouth.net

July 24, 2004 (Saturday) - DeafNation Road Trip stop in Columbia and Spartanburg, Details TBA

SEPTEMBER

September 18, 2004 (Saturday) - SCAD Special Conference at Spartanburg Technical College in Spartanburg, SC, Time TBA

For additional information about any event, email to info@scadservices.org

For Your Information

SCAD Meeting Rooms can be reserved for any meeting or workshop that your organization may host.

All you need is to stop by the SCAD Office and fill out the form. A refundable deposit of \$25 will be required.

Future SC ASLTA Chapter is coming soon!! The First Meeting will be in August!

For more information, please contact Andrea Martinez-Johnson at amj1984@scadservices.org

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