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WVAD Officers Attended WVSDB's 1st Annual Family-School Association Day Event, May 14, 2016

By Tamara Deem

The 1st Annual Family-School Association (FSA) Day event at the WV Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WVSDB) on May 14, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., was a hit with the WVSDB community on their campus. The WVSDB staff is excited about this new FSA event and how it has grown since its inception last fall.

Many fun and special activities were provided that day. It also included Matthew Morgan and his magic show; Nancy Rourke, who showcased her art skills; and a musical band. Two rocket launches were performed specifically for blind and deaf children by Orbital ATK, Inc. Food and drinks were sold by the Senior class. Several vendors were at this event, including WVAD. WVAD had their booth, along with LogoWear for sale as well.

Both Matthew Morgan and Nancy Rourke are nationally renowned for their extraordinary talents. They worked with the deaf and blind students that week in the classrooms as



Thanks to the hard working FSA Team for making the 1st annual FSA event a success! Job well done! (Photo Credit: Martin Keller)

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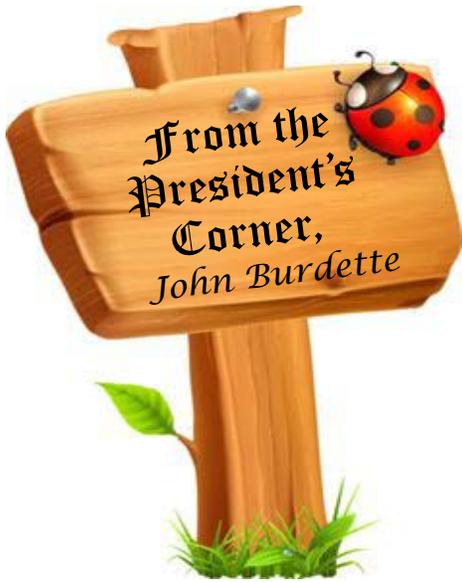
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Summer season is around the corner. I am sure everyone is looking forward to going out more in this hot weather with summer activities!

First, congratulations to all seniors who graduated from the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WVSDB). I myself, as the President, attended this year's graduation and presented an award from West Virginia Association of the Deaf (WVAD) to Valedictorian, Anastacia Barnhart, and Salutatorian, Patrick Epperly. Again, congratulations!

On May 13-15, 2016, WVAD Board was at WVSDB campus for their first annual Family-Student Association (FSA) weekend. Also, we had our board meeting on campus.

The WVAD Board was pleased to learn that Bobbi Ann Hundley, WVSD student, will be attending the National Jr. NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC) this summer from July 18 to August 18.

WVAD has partnered with two programs: AmazonSmile and Kroger's Community Reward. This is a program where our organization receives 0.5% donations from either of the programs every time you shop on line or purchase groceries using your Kroger rewards card at no additional cost!

Please save the date August 3-5, 2017, to attend WVAD Biennial Conference at Glade Springs Resort near Beckley, WV.

I want to update everyone on projects or things that have been happening in West Virginia:

- WVAD Education Committee wants to put Deaf Children Bill of Rights (DCBR) on hold and focus on drafting and proposing LEAD-K (Language Equality & Acquisition for Deaf Kids to be Kindergarten-Ready) Bill for the 2017 legislative session.
- Public Service Commission (PSC) has awarded Sprint to continue as the West Virginia Relay provider. The new service started on June 1st.
- On July 5-9, 2016, National Association of the Deaf (NAD) will have their 53rd Biennial Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.
- On August 13, 2016, WVAD will be hosting our biennial picnic at Burnsville Lake – Shelter #3 at Riffle Run Area. WVAD will provide the meat. Please bring a covered dish. More information about the picnic will come out in the summer issue. Come out and join us for a day of fun and camp out with us that night too.
- WV Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WVCDHH), WVAD, and WVSDB are going to have a joint booth at the WV State Fair in Lewisburg, WV, on Friday, August 19, 2016.

A quick reminder for those who have not paid for expired membership (see page 23 for membership form), please send the form and payment to our Membership Coordinator, Larry Hubbard. Good news! WVAD is now

accepting debit and credit cards for membership fees, etc. We are currently accepting Visa, MasterCard, and Discover. If you are not a member of WVAD, please join. If you have any questions about membership, please contact Larry Hubbard, Membership Coordinator. Your support and dues help keep WVAD going. It is a good way to give someone membership as a gift. It is also a good way to keep yourself informed about what's going on in our state.

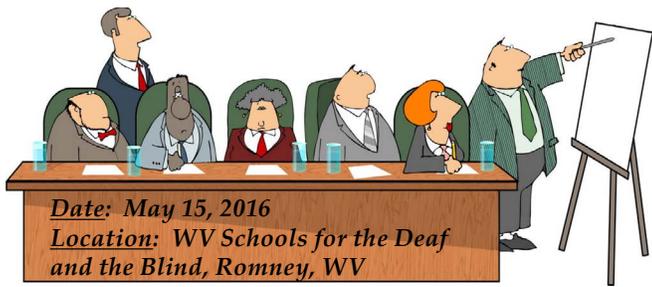
In closing, please check the WVAD website (www.wvad.org) or WV Association of the Deaf page on Facebook for any information about WVAD.

Warmly,

John W. Burdette

WVAD President





WVAD Board Minutes

WVAD Board Meeting Held at WV Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Romney, WV, May 15, 2016

West Virginia Association of the Deaf's Mission Statement:

The West Virginia Association of the Deaf, Inc., (WVAD) operated by, of, for the Deaf Community, advocates, and promotes to improve the quality of life for deaf and hard of hearing individuals including but not limited to deaf-blind individuals, parents of deaf children, interpreters, late-deafened adults, and children of deaf adults.

Members Present: John Burdette, Tami Deem, Veronda Harrison, Donna Williams, Larry Hubbard, Worthy Devericks, and Jeffery Simmons.

Visitors Present: April Hottle, Scott Hottle, Sally Hubbard, and Julie Simmons.

The regular board meeting of WVAD was held at the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WVSDB) in Romney, WV. President John Burdette called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. with Secretary Donna Williams present.

The minutes of the meeting held March 5, 2016, was sent via e-mail. It was corrected and approved via video-phone (VP) and e-mail. The minutes of the meeting was published in the Spring 2016 newsletter.

Treasurer Veronda Harrison's Financial Report from March 5, 2016 to May 12, 2016:

Balance in checking account – \$1,499.11; balance in savings account – \$3,564.88; Mingo County Fund – \$14,544.35; WVAD Conference Fund – \$2,057.30; Deaf Youth Program – \$1,278.00; 2 Certificate of Deposits – \$12,003.63. Donna moved to accept the Treasurer's report after correction. Passed.

President John Burdette's Report:

- Glade Springs: Met with Greg Haynes to give him the signed contract; give tax exempt form; meet the new conference services manager

Aileen Chou-Taylor, to discuss layout for conference, banquet, food, etc. When everything is decided, everything can be 'locked in'.

- Larry Hubbard and Donna Williams attended the WV Deaf Awareness Day at the Capitol March 8, 2016, to have a booth for WVAD.
- Attended the WV Deaf and Hard of Hearing Stakeholders meeting in Fairmont March 22. Several organizations and agencies attended to talk about how we can provide and support the services for the deaf and hard of hearing children.
- Received an e-mail from Patricia Bruce about Trix Bruce giving a presentation at WVAD. Maybe WVAD can invite her to come to WV or to conference to give performance and/or give an interpreter workshop. Trix is from Seattle, WA.
- Received e-mail from Rachel Rajca, Project Director at WVCDHH, sharing information about a phone call she received from the Law Library in the Capitol. That person wanted to set up an exhibit for Deaf History month and wanted to know if WVAD have anything we would like to have displayed.
- Larry Hubbard attended the One4All Disability Expo at the Huntington High School in Huntington, WV, April 2, 2016, to have a booth for WVAD.
- Received an e-mail from Tommy Guzman sharing information about Accessible Tourism for the Deaf.

- NAD Regional 1 met on April 20 via VP. Larry sat in it. Most of the discussion was about the upcoming NAD conference. There were some technical problems so only few people participated. The next Regional 1 meeting will be Wednesday, May 25.
- Went to the WV Deaf Grassroots Movement rally at the Capitol in Charleston, WV, on May 4 to provide WVAD support. Larry and I met Erin Mills from the Huntington area. She invited WVAD to the Sign in the Park at Rotary Park in Huntington Tuesday, May 17 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Bring covered dish. She said that there are about 500 deaf people in Cabell County. She wants to set up a community center for the deaf and hard of hearing to help with reading, interpreting, advocating, etc.
- Received an e-mail from Penny Maphis, Executive Assistant at WVSDB, asking if WVAD is giving any awards to the Seniors at graduation June 3. Eleven (11) deaf students will graduate.
- The first annual Family School Association (FSA) Day at WVSDB yesterday was successful. WVAD had an exhibit with several information and Logo Wear items.
- Received VP call 2-3 weeks ago from Yvonne Apple. She has a daughter who is deaf at WVSDB. She is from California. She plans to attend the WVAD picnic. She would like to

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have an exhibit at the picnic to sell various items.

- The WVCDHH Board had a Town Hall meeting with the interpreters in the Martinsburg area on Thursday, May 12; regular board meeting yesterday, Friday, May 13; and a Town Hall meeting with the Martinsburg community last night, Friday, May 13.
- 1. Thirty interpreters attended the Interpreter Town Hall. They would like to set up an Interpreter Training Program at Blue Ridge Community & Technical College in the Martinsburg area. Earnest discussed and explained the WV Interpreter Registry and the requirements.
- 2. Kat Brockway contacted Earnest. She has expressed interest in providing a workshop on the preservation of deaf culture. If WVCDHH, WVAD, WVSDB, and other organizations/agencies could join together, it would save money. Also, set up presentation on Deaf Olympics. WVCDHH is working on this, possibly for WVSD Homecoming weekend.
- 3. WV State Fair—WVCDHH, WVAD, and WVSDB want have a joint booth this year on Friday, August 19. Maybe in the future, WVCDHH and WVAD can have a Deaf Day or Deaf Awareness Day. The state fair is in Lewisburg, WV.
- 4. Regional Education Service Agency (RESA) has a new program called third short course. Students in the mainstreamed programs who are deaf or hard of hearing can use satellite to take classes at WVSD. This possibly will start fall 2016.
- 5. Next WVCDHH board meeting will be Friday, August 12, at the Weston DHHR Office; November 4, 2016, in Charleston; February 3, 2017, in Romney; May 19, 2017, in Wheeling; August 3, 2017, at Glade Springs before the WVAD Conference.
- The Governor called all legislators back to Charleston tomorrow, May 16, to discuss and finalize the budget. We won't know how this

will effect education for deaf and hard of hearing children.

Vice-President Tami Deem's Report:

None.

Secretary Donna Williams' Report:

- Attended Deaf Awareness Day at the Capitol March 8. It was very successful. Hope we do it again next year.
- Attended the Deaf Grassroots Movement Rally at the Capitol on May 4. 55 people attended.
- Attended the Family School Association Day at WVSDB May 14.
- Received a cc of an e-mail from April to Annette Carey, Coordinator of Special Education in the WV Department of Education, about VP pals for deaf and hard of hearing students to talk with deaf adults. She said can't do it because of confidentiality. One teacher of the deaf in Pendelton County was asking for her student. Annette said that even with the DCBR, schools cannot share information. I talked with Kim Bianco-Majeri at NAD about this. She informed me schools have many volunteers to tutor students, grandparents to read to students, coaches not on staff, etc. Same as anyone working in the schools, volunteers must have background check and fingerprints done before can work with students. This would be the same for VP pals.

Sent an e-mail to Annette explaining this and that WVAD wants the students to have role models. Also, explained that DCBR does not ask for confidential information—only that the schools allow the students to meet deaf role models to learn deaf culture. No response.

Contacted that teacher in Pendelton County to ask if they got a VP. She said no and did not know how. Referred her to Ruby Losh.

- Received a private message on Facebook (FB) from Cheryl Lyons asking me if I could come to Pt. Pleasant High School to speak with the deaf and hard of hearing students there. I asked her if there was anything specific she wanted me to talk about. She wanted me to talk about Jr. NAD and any events students

can go to. Called Dr. Keller. He said plan to have another Jr. NAD weekend in the fall and invite those from the mainstreamed schools. Also, asked me to share with the students about the camp at WVSDB this summer.

Went to the high school on Monday, May 9. The two boys are 15 and 16. They were very excited to see and meet an adult who is deaf. I shared my experiences growing up in public schools, the FSA Day and camp at WVSDB, and plans for a Jr. NAD weekend at WVSDB. They were very excited. They want to associate with other kids like themselves. There is also a senior who is deaf but she was absent that day.

- Received an e-mail from Brenda Hall, a parent and interpreter, asking if WVAD will write a letter to AG Bell in response to their letter to the *Washington Post*. I suggested she contact John and the entire board.
- Received another e-mail from Brenda Hall asking if WVAD could propose a bill requiring DHHR to send a letter to all parents of newly diagnosed babies being deaf or hard of hearing. Maryland passed this law recently. I responded saying I would research it and keep her informed.
- A parent of a young deaf boy in Charleston contacted me on FB asking if I knew any men who could mentor her and her son. I told her I would ask WVAD Board. Another parent contacted me a while back also in Charleston area. I gave a name to MaryAnn Clenenden—WVSDB Outreach Specialist for that area.
- We all know that the Deaf Children Bill of Rights in WV failed. First, the bill had too many requirements for money. Learned from Cheryl Lyons the blind students and the hearing students get funds for trips, etc., but not the deaf and hard of hearing students.
- Sent several e-mails to Ruth Rowan, Delegate from Romney area and who sponsored the DCBR, asking several questions. Saw her at FSA Day and asked her some questions.
 1. She does not know yet when the interim legislative sessions will be.

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2. The budget is the same. As it had been on the news, the Governor called a special session Monday, May 16th, to discuss the budget.
 3. I briefed her about LEAD-K. She asked me to send the information to John Reed, the attorney bill writer. She said that if LEAD-K has any financial requirements, it will be turned down.
 4. She had an opponent for the primary. She won the primary and is now on the way to the November election.
- Have been in constant contact with Dr. Keller, Kim Bianco-Majeri, and Tawny Holmes regarding the LEAD-K. Roz Rosen, who is on the WVSDB Advisory Board, recently gave a presentation to the board about LEAD-K. Dr. Keller shared that PowerPoint with several of us. He has also been in contact with several state schools through the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD). Many seem to be leaning towards LEAD-K now and DCBR later. The PowerPoint along with other information was sent to the WVAD Education Committee.
 - A draft comparison chart was shown. Tawny Holmes at NAD loves this chart and would like to finalize it and publish it.
 - Out of 11 members on the WVAD Education Committee: 4 voted to focus on LEAD-K now and DCBR later, 2 voted to combine LEAD-K and DCBR, 1 voted for either of the above, and 4 did not respond.

Dr. Martin Keller, Superintendent of WVSDB, gave a short presentation. First, he feels language should start before school; if combine LEAD-K with DCBR, the bill would become long and confusing; therefore, LEAD-K would be weak. WV is in severe budget deficit and LEAD-K does not have any financial requirements. He encouraged WVAD to draft and propose LEAD-K for legislative session 2017 and do the DCBR the following year.

Dr. Keller explained a new procedure that is supposed to help

people hear and is being promoted that we need to be aware of. It is Auditory Brainstem Implant (ABI). The ABIs are suitable for those with a profound sensorineural hearing loss, leading to near total loss of sound. For more information, see link at <http://www.hearinglink.org/your-hearing/implants/auditory-brainstem-implants/what-is-an-auditory-brainstem-implant/>.

Dr. Keller shared that WVSD student, Bobbi Ann Hundley, will be attending the National Jr. NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC) this summer. He asked WVAD for a donation to cover some of her expenses.

Trustees' Report: No report.

Editor Tami Deem's Report:

Deadline for next newsletter is June 1.

Membership Larry Hubbard's Report:

At last board meeting, there were 177 members. Now, there are 193.

Education Advocate April Hottle's Report:

- March 24, 2016, attended the WV Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Board meeting. Tennyssa Mace opened the meeting and provided a report on the recent annual Early Hearing Detection Intervention (EHDI) Conference. Shared two (2) vlogs:
 - “Why I Sign”—these vlogs were created before the conference by a group of deaf people who, many, grew up as oral and converted to ASL and shown at the conference to promote teaching ASL to young children.
 - Part of Rachel Coleman's presentation at EHDI.
- Rachel Coleman is creator of the on-line website “Signing Time” that has American Sign Language (ASL) lessons. Coleman was a speaker at the EDHI Conference and announced her new program that will provide free ASL lessons for families with children who do not pass the newborn hearing screening test. While the child is still in the hospital, the family will get a code for access to the online lessons. The

program is expected to start July 1, 2016.

- Annette Carey asked if the lessons could be provided in CD format for families who live in isolated areas without internet but Tennyssa did not know the answer.
- The National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) is located at Utah State University. Their goal is to ensure that all infants and toddlers with hearing loss are identified as early as possible and provided with timely and appropriate audiological, educational, and medical intervention. Their objectives include:
 - Every child born with a hearing loss is identified before 3 months of age and provided with timely and appropriate intervention by 6 months of age.
 - Every family of an infant with hearing loss receives culturally-competent family support as desired.
 - All newborns have a “medical home.”
 - State Departments of Health have effective newborn hearing screening tracking and data management systems which are linked with other relevant public health information systems.
- NCHAM serves as the National Technical Resource Center for all state-based EHDI programs in the United States. Materials and activities described on their website were funded in part by a cooperative agreement (U52MC04391) from the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) at the United States Department of Health and Human Services. NCHAM staff are responsible for the views and content of material on their website and no endorsement by MCHB/HRSA is implied or expressed.
- Gwen Bryant spoke about a new program that WV Hands and Voices will add called “Guide by Your Side” (GBYS). Four (4) GBYS will begin July 1, 2016. These four guides will be parents of a deaf child and will give support to new parents of a deaf child.

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- Guide by Your Side is a Hands and Voices program that embodies our strong values of direct peer connection and networking. It promotes self-efficacy and hinders isolation by exploring our common bonds, shared experiences, challenges, wisdom, and insight.
- Pam Roush from WV Birth to Three reported on the number of children in 2015 identified with hearing loss using the Newborn Hearing Screening: six (6) referred by parents, one (1) referred by audiologist, one (1) by Head Start. Ms. Roush explained that actually, there should be 20-40 children identified deaf or hard of hearing when using the WV birth rate statistics. She explained that it is difficult to test babies because the baby must be asleep.
- May 7, 2016, I attended a WVDE workshop livestreamed out of Boys Town, NE, for interpreters. The workshop was called "Academic Language--ASL: Mathematics Interpreters as Language Scientists! by a deaf presenter from RIT, Christopher A. N. Kurz, Ph.D. Five (5) interpreters attended. High-lights include:
 - Dr. Kurz placed a big emphasis on Language L1 development (a child's first/native language) and stressed that an interpreter must continually improve their ASL skills. Interpreters must work with the child's teacher to support the child's vocabulary development. He explained that when the student's vocabulary level passes the interpreters' sign ability, the student become bored. He also emphasized that interpreters should SIGN rather than fingerspell. He showed several video clips of math instruction using ASL totally - no fingerspelling at all.
 - He spoke of a University of California study with babies/children about gestures vs. ASL. Babies could watch either someone signing using ASL or a person using gestures. The babies watched ASL. The brain is attracted to real language and makes a mental connection.

- He explained that children's development and exposure to L1 (the child's native language) results in increased academic language growth. This is why children need a strong language base (L1) in order to learn.
- Dr. Kurz reminded interpreters that they should attend IEP meetings as PARTICIPANTS. He asked if the IEP meeting includes discussion on the students' ASL skill level. "This is a clear indication of the program's view of the importance of ASL."
- Have been an educational interpreter for more than 20 years. I have never been part of an IEP meeting where ASL was discussed.
- A few new signs I learned are fraction, improper fraction, base 10, etc.
- Continue to interpret at Capital High School. We encourage all students to get foreign language credit in ASL by providing a video tape to WVDE/WVSDB. One student received High School foreign language credit for ASL I and II this year.
- Continue to promote ASL through our ASL Club at Capital High School. The club has dwindled from 12 students to 3 due to lack of club meetings. We want to re-establish the club next year and have regular meetings no matter the school's schedule.
- Continue to promote high expectation for staff and students at our school by searching for opportunities for deaf and hard of hearing students to participate in competitions such as the Optimist Club Speech Competition. Capital High School did not participate this year.
- Exposure to native signers and deaf adults will give young high school students a better understanding of the use of ASL. I would like to see high school students (deaf and hearing) involved in the WVAD Conference.

Legislative Advocate Antonia Hall's Report via e-mail:

She will try to find out when the interim legislative sessions are and let us know.

Fundraising (Veronda) Jimmy Harrison's Report:

- Continue selling "That's My Pan."
- If order anything from Amazon, use AmazonSmile and select WVAD. WVAD will be given 0.5% of the order.
- Tami got 4 tickets for WVU homecoming football game to raffle. Game will be on October 1st vs. Kansas State.

Old Business:

- 100th Anniversary group picture (pending).
- Hillbilly T-shirt (pending).

New Business:

2017 WVAD Conference:

- Veronda moved to have Tim Albert as workshop presenter for Saturday morning. Passed.
- Veronda moved to have Matt Morgan for magic show on Friday night. Passed.
- Larry moved to have Twin Sisters give a performance. Passed.
- Donna moved to ask Dr. Martin Keller be keynote speaker at the banquet. Passed.
- Veronda moved to have Trix Bruce or Sarah Harris provide interpreter workshop for CEUs. Passed.
- Jeffery moved that John Burdette be Chairperson of 2017 WVAD Conference. Passed.
- Larry moved to have souvenirs in bag with small notebooks and blue pens that has WVAD logo on it; plastic bags with WVAD logo. Passed.
- Tami moved to give new members a WVAD pen. Passed.

2016 Picnic:

- Tami moved to sell raffles for a set of "That's My Pan" at the WVAD picnic. Passed.
- Larry moved that WVAD donate \$300 to Bobbi Ann Hundley for National Jr. NAD YLC camp. Tami amended to use money from Youth Program Fund. Veronda amended each officer donate \$25. Passed.
- Donna moved that WVAD and Education Committee focus on LEAD-K for Legislative Session 2017 and support it. Passed.
- Donna moved that WVAD follow up with the Mingo Estate saying it

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has been many years and nothing has come up in Mingo County. Ask if the estate would consider allowing WVAD use some of the money for educational purposes, such as Leadership, Legislation, Youth, etc., to improve WVAD. Passed.

- Jeffery moved to have next board meeting September 17, 2016, in Weston/Flatwoods area starting at 9:00 a.m. Passed.

Jeffery moved to close new business.

Announcements:

- Larry thanked everyone for donations and support to Deaf Grassroots Movement rally in Charleston.
- Donna announced that she is WV's representative to Deaf People United (DPU). This is part of We the Deaf People founded by Matthew Moore. He will speak at the WVSDB graduation in June. The purpose of DPU is to promote registering to vote and voting. There will be a training session June 10-12 in Rochester.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m. 🇺🇸



American vs. National Classic High School Basketball All Stars – St. Louis, Missouri

By Paul See

Patrick Epperly and Logan Gray, graduates of West Virginia School for the Deaf, were selected to participate in the American vs. National Classic High School Basketball All Stars this past April. The basketball games were played by two teams, National versus American, which consisted of outstanding deaf basketball players from all over the United States who were graduating this year. It was the third time in WVSD history that players were selected (Justin Rhodes in 2006 and Roderick Stickley in 2010).

It was the first time we had two players selected. I was also selected to be on the coaching staff for this game as well. It was my second time to earn this honor (2010 and 2016). It took place

at St. Louis, Missouri, as part of collaboration with United States America Deaf Basketball organization which hosted its own basketball tournament there.

Patrick, Logan, and myself were on the American team. The game was very fast and physical which we were behind the entire game. We managed to cut some deficits; unfortunately, it wasn't enough to keep up with the National team and lost with the score of 91 to 71. Logan and Patrick played well, despite not having played basketball for a while.

We also took an opportunity to check out the famous Arch and we even went up to the top of the Arch which provided an outstanding view of the St. Louis city. 🇺🇸



L-R: Logan Gray, Coach Paul See, and Patrick Epperly

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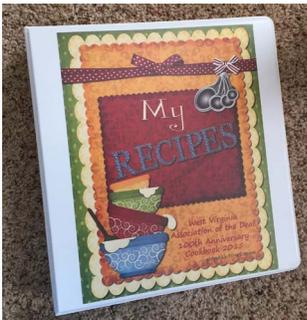
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COOKBOOKS FOR SALE

WV Association of the Deaf (WVAD) is selling cookbooks. They are \$20.00 a book (plus \$5.00 shipping & handling). The cookbooks are 110 pages long. This cookbook would make a perfect gift for Christmas, weddings, anniversaries, and birthdays. Proceeds will go towards the WVAD non-profit organization. If anyone is interested in buying a cookbook, please see John Burdette, Jimmy Harrison, Veronda Harrison, Donna Williams, Tami Deem, Larry Hubbard, Jeff Simmons, or Worthy Devericks. For credit card purchases, please contact Veronda Harrison (Treasurer) at 304-964-6025 Videophone or e-mail verapple@aol.com. Feel free to let your family and friends know about this as they are more than welcome to purchase a cookbook!



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West Virginia Association of the Deaf



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August 13, 2016

**Burnsville Lake, Shelter #3
Burnsville, WV**

Open at 11:00 a.m. until Dark



\$1,000 Giveaway
(Depends on Attendance)



Chance to Win Cash Prizes and Gifts
(10 Tickets for \$5.00 or 30 Tickets for \$10.00)

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Come Out and Join Us for Food and Good Times!
Plan to camp out Friday and Saturday nights with us.



(See Directions on page 10)

DIRECTIONS TO BURNSVILLE LAKE

From I-79, take Exit 79 (Glennville/Burnsville exit), travel on Rt. 5 East. Follow signs into campground.

Shelter #3 is located adjacent to the marina/boat dock near the Burnsville Dam. The Burnsville Dam is located about 3 miles above the town of Burnsville, WV. Watch for the sign that says "Burnsville Lake."

Near the Burnsville Dam, there is Riffle Run Campground. There are 54 sites with electrical hookups, shower/restroom facilities, sewage dump stations, and fresh water fill-up stations.

On the other side of the lake, there is Bulltown Campground that has 204 campsites. It takes about 30 minutes to drive over there. To get to Bulltown Campground, take the Flatwoods exit via I-79. Turn left at the stoplight. Go about 10 miles.

For more information about camping, call (304) 853-2371 for Riffle Run campground and (304) 452-8006 for Bulltown campground.

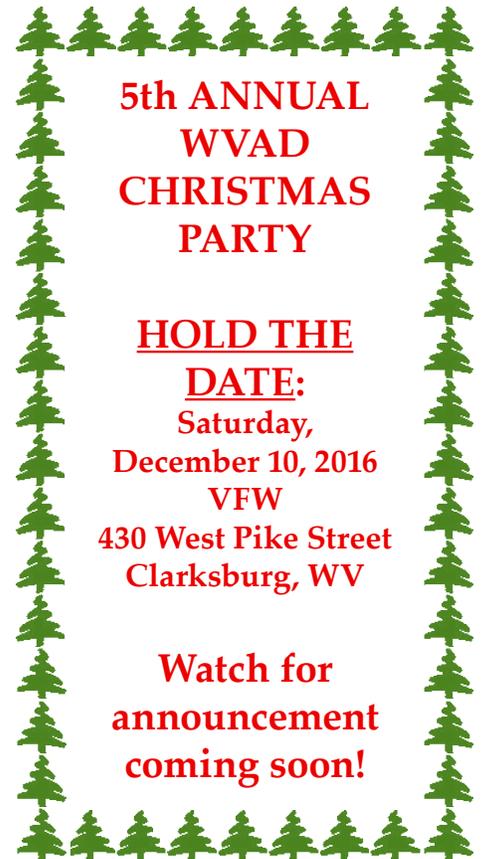
RAFFLE TICKETS – 2 TICKETS (2 DRAWINGS) FOR WVU HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME, WVU VS. KANSAS STATE, 10/1/2016

WVAD is selling raffle tickets for 2 chances to win 2 tickets to the WVU Homecoming football game vs. Kansas State, scheduled for October 1, 2016 (home game), kickoff TBA. If anyone is interested in buying any raffle tickets, please see one of the WVAD Board members (John Burdette, Tami Deem, Veronda Harrison, Donna M. Williams, Jeffery Simmons, Larry Hubbard, or Worthy Devericks). For credit card purchases, please contact Veronda Harrison (Treasurer) at 304-964-6025 Videophone or e-mail at verapple@aol.com.

Feel free to let your family and friends know about this as they are welcome to participate in the drawing. Drawing will be held on September 17, 2016, at the Board meeting in Weston, WV (need not be present to win).

6 Raffle Tickets for \$5.00

West Virginia Association of the Deaf, Inc.		PHONE/VP	NAME
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**Saturday,
December 10, 2016**
VFW
**430 West Pike Street
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**Watch for
announcement
coming soon!**

(WVAD Officers... from page 1) artists-in-residence. WVSDB was truly honored to have both of them sharing their expertise and skills with the students.

Due to the rain, the WVSDB 1870 Campus Classic 5K Walk/Run was postponed to October 1st, which will be our Homecoming Day. Participants who have already paid will have the option to get a full refund or receive a T-shirt and a rain check to race in October. Please contact Erin Riggelman of your choice at eeriggelman@k12.wv.us.

The WVSDB 2016 Prom, organized by the School for the Blind staff, was held that evening from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. The Multi-Sensory Program's 1st annual Night of the Stars Dance was held the week before. Susan Swewnsen and Nathan Smith helped organize this event.

Special thanks to Kristian Haines, Art teacher, for putting on a magnificent art show. The students created some wonderful artwork. Dr. Keller believes a few of them will go on to have a career in art and graphic design!

Over 200 people participated in various activities they held throughout the day. Special thanks goes to FSA Coordinator, Priscilla Epperly, and her crew for organizing the event, set up, and clean up afterwards. WVSDB is already making plans for next year's FSA Day, which will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

Thank you Dr. Keller for inviting the WVAD Board to experience the first annual FSA Day event! 🖤





"In Memory of Loved Ones"



JOYCE BREEDING

Joyce Breeding, age 74, of War, West Virginia, passed away February 24, 2016, at her home. Born February 4, 1942, in Warrior Mines, WV, she was the daughter of the late Garland and Stella Boyd Breeding. She was a lifelong resident of the area and was a 1961 high school graduate at the WV School for the Deaf, Romney, WV.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one nephew, Lowell Breeding, Jr.

Survivors include two brothers, James Breeding of Augusta, Georgia and Lowell Breeding and wife, Priscilla of Neptune Beach, Florida; nieces and nephews, Jackie Heller, Diana Weathersby, Veronica Schock, and Sabine Singletary.

Funeral services was conducted at the Honaker Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Lester Boyd officiating. Interment followed in Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia.

Online condolences may be made at www.honakerfuneralhome.net.



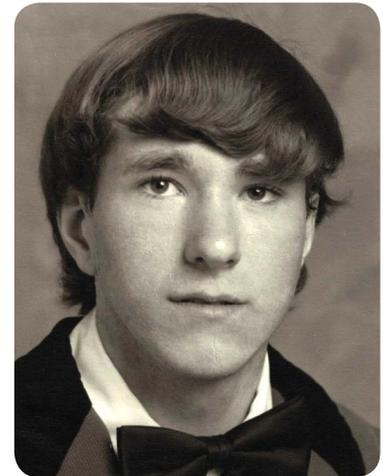
BETTY JO HARMAN

Betty Jo Harman, age 77, passed away Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at Community Hospice Morris Center, Jacksonville, FL. She was a resident of Jacksonville since 1968 coming from West Virginia. Betty was born in Charleston, WV. She was a member of the Deaf Club in Jacksonville, FL, and in West Virginia. She loved her family and she enjoyed bowling.

She is survived by her husband Jack L. Harman, Sr.; two sons, Jack L. Harman, Jr. and Terry D. Harman, both of Harman, WV; sister Caroline Osborn of Charleston, WV; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. Her husband, Jack, attended WV School for the Deaf in 1940.

Visitation was on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at Arlington Park Funeral Home, 6920 Lone Star Road, Jacksonville, FL. Funeral service followed at 2:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel.

For more information, please see <http://www.obitsforlife.com/obituary/1287835/Harman-Betty.php>.



TITUS "CLYDE" RADER

Titus "Clyde" Rader, 58, a resident of Elkins, passed from this life Friday, May 27, 2016, at Nella's Incorporated in Elkins, WV.

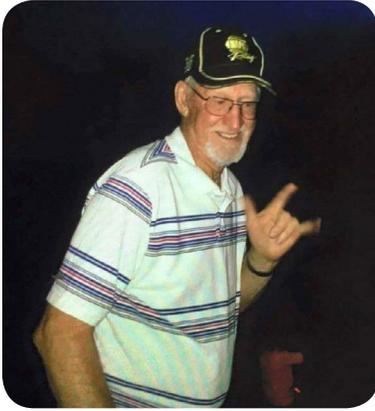
Clyde was born Wednesday, May 14, 1958, in Elkins, a son of the late Stephen Roy Nyal Rader and Irene Bethena Currence Rader.

Preceding Clyde in death besides his parents were two brothers, Justin and James Rader, an infant sister, and step-mother, Lorine Rader.

Clyde was a 1977 graduate of the WV School for the Deaf. He enjoyed playing football while attending school. Clyde was involved in several local organizations including the Silent Praises Deaf Choir at Elkins Church of God, Randolph County Technical Center for career and work skills, and People First Program. Clyde had medaled in the Special Olympics for basketball.

Clyde's request for cremation was honored. A memorial service was conducted at Jerusalem Church on Adolph Road Saturday, June 4, 2016, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, see <http://m.therandolphfuneralhome.com/obituaries/wall?obituaryId=916767>.
(See Obituaries on page 13)



DONALD LEE JONES

Donald Lee Jones, 77, of Gap Mills, WV, passed away Friday, June 3, 2016, at his home following a short illness.

He was born at Gap Mills, WV, March 8, 1939, a son of the late Warden Walter and Gertrude Goodall Jones.

Mr. Jones was a 35-year employee of the Andrew S. Rowan Home working in the dairy; after the dairy closed, he was farm manager and maintenance. After the closing of the Andrew S. Rowan Home, he worked at the Kitchen Creek Dairy. Donald was a 1959 graduate of the WV School for the Deaf. He was affiliated with the Cokesbury United Methodist Church and a member of the Greenbrier Valley Association of the Deaf.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Penny Marie Jones and a brother, John Lewis Jones.

Surviving is his wife of 49 years, Hazel Ratliff Jones of Gap Mills; 2 sons, Phillip McCoy Jones and companion, Chelsea of Union, Mark Anthony Jones and wife, Meagan of Peterstown; a daughter, Patty Lee Jones Cole and husband, Cliff of Zenith; a grandson, Cameron Lane Jones of Union.

Memorial services was held at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 7, 2016, at the Groves Funeral Home Chapel in Union with the Rev. Marva Smearman officiating.

Friends called at the Groves Funeral Home in Union from 4:00 p.m., Tuesday until service time.

Those wishing to send the Jones family online condolences or sign the online guestbook may do so by visiting the website below. Groves Funeral Home in Union, WV, served the Jones Family (http://www.grovesfuneralhome.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=3739242&fh_id=14824).



JAMES "JIM" CALVIN ENNIS

James "Jim" Calvin Ennis, 63, of Rivesville, WV, passed away on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, WV.

He was born in Follansbee, WV, on March 6, 1953, a son of Freda Mae Ennis and the late Daniel Charles Richard Ennis.

On June 1, 1974, he married the love of his life, Regina (Riffle) Ennis. They enjoyed 42 years of marriage together.

He is survived by three daughters: Ruby Losh and husband Mike of Rivesville, WV, Mary Ennis and her boyfriend Paul Blahut of Pittsburgh, PA, and Tammy Ennis of Plainville, CT; three brothers: Chuck Ennis, George Ennis and fiancée Lori Insinghood, and Timothy Ennis and his wife, Judy, all of Wellsburg, WV; one sister Barbara Williams and her husband Butch of Wellsburg, WV; two grandchildren: Maddie and Calvin Losh.

He graduated at the WV School for the Deaf in 1972. He was inducted in WVSD Hall of Fame in 2005. He was involved in several Deaf organizations. He worked at the U.S. Postal Office until his retirement.

Expressions of sympathies may be sent to Regina Ennis, 18 Longmire Lane, Rivesville, WV 26588. A memorial service was on Saturday, June 18, 2016, at Brooke Hills Free Methodist Church, 1340 Washington Pike Road, Wellsburg, WV.

Family received friends from 1:00 p.m. until time of memorial service at 2:00 p.m., and Rev. Bryce J. Grieco officiated (<http://www.theintelligencer.net/obituaries/2016/06/james-ennis/>).

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AUGUST 19, 2016
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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WV SDB Sends Bobbi Ann Hundley to NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC), July 22 to August 18, 2016

The WV Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WV SDB) is sending Bobbi Ann Hundley, a WV SDB Junior student this fall, to represent WV SDB at the NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC) at Camp Taloali, Stayton, Oregon, on July 22, 2016. The camp will end on August 18, 2016.

The idea of a summer camp for deaf youth focuses on personal growth and development in high school students, as well as the Junior NAD mission of "scholarship, leadership, and citizenship."

The YLC is an annual four-week summer program designed to teach deaf and hard of hearing high school students to become productive and positive leaders. Campers, known as "leaders," are constantly inspired by their dedicated staff members (known as "builders"), who are role models from all over the United States and different countries, and their fellow leaders. The camp program fosters communication, leadership skills, and self-confidence, and gives leaders tools to achieve their goals.

NAD YLC offers a variety of exciting wilderness adventures, including mental and physical activities. Here is an overview of the program: class day, theme day, outdoor hiking trip, and field trips. Class Day consists of calisthenics (a morning routine where leaders memorize the Jr. NAD motto, slogan, and creed). Camp Council helps leaders learn to discuss topics and priorities, using their parliamentary procedure skills. Leaders run for chairperson positions and are responsible for organizing a number of special events. Outdoor Living Skills (OLS) is a class that teaches leaders the art of the outdoors. This class will provide leaders the opportunity to appreciate nature and to cherish the Earth. Daily Drum (Media) offers leaders' time to prepare the newsletters, collect photos for Facebook, Instagram, and Flickr; and create vlogs for the daily NAD YLC blog. Discovery is an outdoor team-building class to instill trust in both individuals and the group as a whole.

The evening programs offers campers an opportunity to develop team-building skills and learn to address key issues in different capacities. Such programs include (1) Camp Bowl,

(2) Debate Time, (3) ASL Storytelling Night, (4) Youth Leadership Ambassador Competition, (5) NAD YLC Olympics, (6) Mystery Night, (7) Improv Night, and (8) Fireside Chats.

Theme Day offers various theme days including Organizational Day and Olympics Day. This includes workshops and hands-on activities. Workshop presenters are deaf and hard of hearing community leaders from all over the nation, who provide their insight and knowledge, particularly in the field of leadership and advocacy based on the theme of the day. The guest speakers also share their personal experiences during Fireside Chats.

Outdoor Hiking Trip: There is a hiking trip where leaders will apply the skills they learned from Outdoor Living Skills classes. In addition, leaders will develop respect for the environment. As a result, leaders return to their home, school, and respective community as a better, productive, and positive citizen.

Field Trips: There are several all-day trips that include the beach, mall/laundry, and hiking at Silver Falls.

Congratulations Bobbi! We wish you much luck and fun during this awesome learning experience!

For more information about NAD's YLC program, please visit <https://nad.org/ylcprogram>.

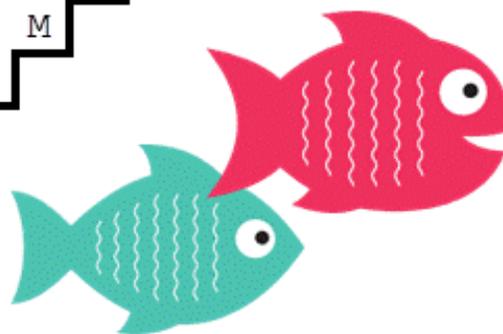
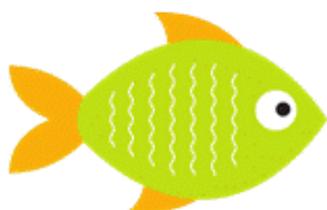
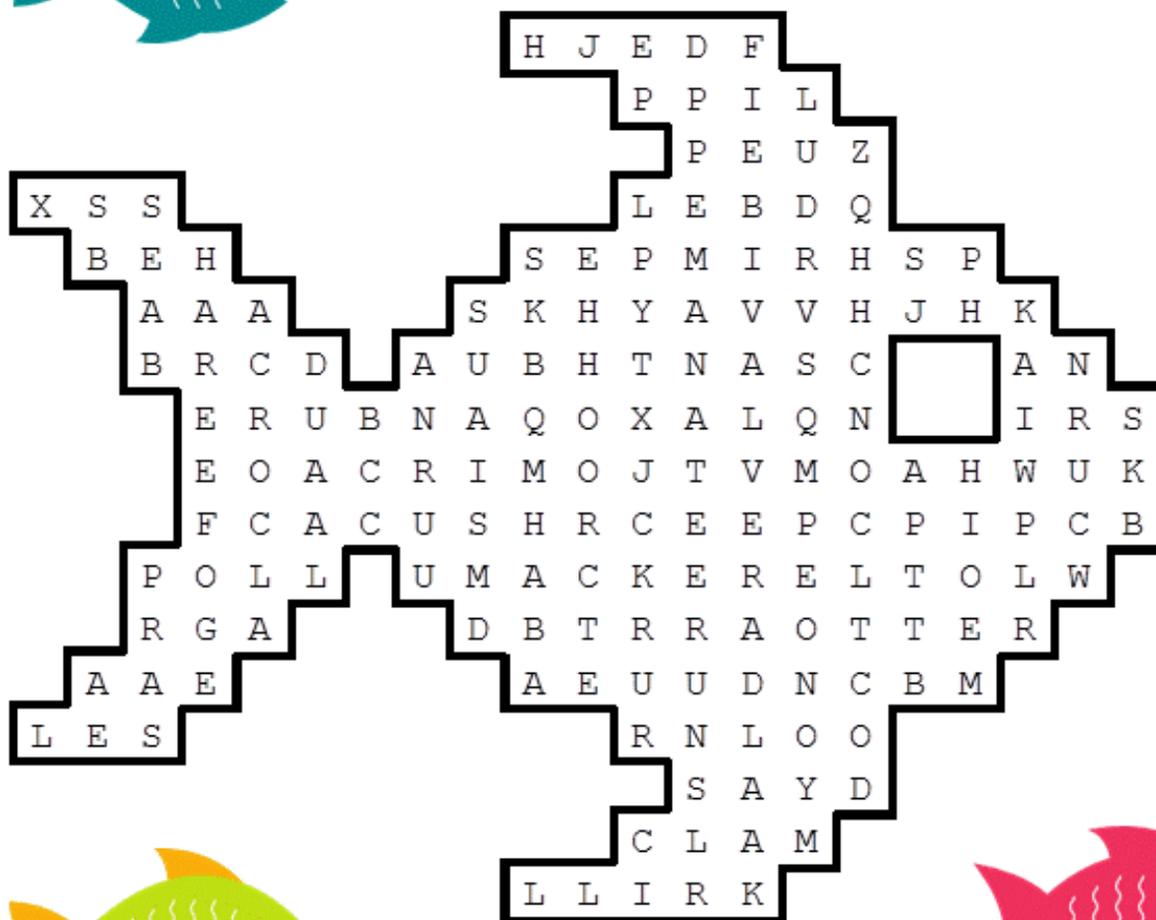
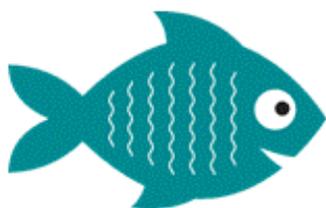


WVAD President John Burdette presents Bobbi Ann Hundley a Youth Fund scholarship for her trip to YLC.



L-R: Krystal Shelton, Bobbi Ann Hundley, WVAD President John Burdette, and Superintendent Dr. Martin Keller.

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In the News



Dozens Gather for Deaf Rights Rally Outside WV Capitol

By Lydia Nuzum, Staff Writer, *Charleston Gazette Mail*, <http://www.wvgazettemail.com/news/20160504/dozens-gather-for-deaf-rights-rally-outside-wv-capitol>, Posted: Wednesday, May 4, 2016

As Christopher Mick stood alongside other deaf West Virginians outside the state Capitol Wednesday, his hands worked passionately to convey the discrimination he has faced since losing his hearing at age one.

"Hearing people need to learn our world. We need help — better interpreters, better education, better jobs, better everything. We need to improve on it all," he said. "We want to wake the government up to understand our suffering and our side, to get a better future ahead of time for our future generations."

The Deaf Grassroots Movement, a national organization that advocates for the rights of deaf and deaf-blind people, held a national rally Wednesday in Washington, DC. State-level branches of the organization converged on their own capitols on Wednesday to spread awareness about the challenges and discrimination that face deaf people at school, work, and in their day-to-day lives.

The West Virginia group held its own rally on the Capitol steps in Charleston Wednesday, and Mick, its public relations officer, joined more than

50 other deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing West Virginians gathered to push for deaf rights.

"All around the nation, we all have the same complaints, which is why, for the first time in history, we're having a rally," Mick said. "We want to tell everybody statewide that we want to stop the oppression. That's enough."

"The time is now, because nowadays, with all of the technology available, it's time to change. It's time to get our equal rights."

The Deaf Grassroots Movement held a national rally last year, but 2016 marks the first year that a rally has been held in every state, Mick said. The group hopes to push for greater legal protections for deaf people, end job discrimination, improve the education system for deaf students, and provide greater communication accessibility for deaf Americans.

"Things like captioning with movies — you can't go to a movie theater. Going through a drive-through, how can you do that? You go to an airport, there's nobody [who can sign].

If you go to an emergency room in a hospital, there's no interpreter there," Mick said. "If I want to go and have an important meeting with a lawyer, or if I have court, they postpone it because they didn't get an interpreter."

"Deaf people suffer a lot, like with jobs — I try to apply to jobs, and they won't hire me. As soon as the interview process is over, it's like they have a fear of deaf people."

Larry Hubbard, a Culloden resident and an assistant representative for the West Virginia Deaf Grassroots Movement, said that although he is retired from the United States Postal Service, he recalls how hard it was to find a job that would accept him as a deaf employee.

"Deaf people love hearing people; I'm just hoping we can all work together and cooperate with each other," Hubbard said. "There are a lot of deaf people who work at the Post Office, and I applaud the Postal Service for hiring deaf people, but there are a lot of other businesses that still say, 'Oh, deaf people can't.' Please, please stop."



More than 50 deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing West Virginians gathered to push for deaf rights on the Capitol steps in Charleston, WV, on May 4, 2016.

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According to the National Association for the Deaf, a deaf employee's rights may depend on who their employer is — federal employees who are deaf are protected under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which requires the government to practice affirmative action and provide equal access to training promotion opportunities.

Employees of private companies or state or local entities are protected

under the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibits companies with more than 15 employees from discriminating against those with disabilities, and requires them to provide "reasonable accommodations" to those with disabilities. The law doesn't require private companies to practice affirmative action during the hiring process, however, so deaf people are often passed over during the interview process.

"I'm retired, and most of the hearing don't know how to deal with deaf people," said activist Robin Coon, of Clarksburg. "When they look at a resume, it's, 'Oh, it's beautiful,' but when you meet, it's... 'Oh, no, they're deaf. How do I deal with that?'"

"We need to educate the hearing on how to deal with disabilities — not only deafness, but disabilities in general. Wheelchairs and everything like that, they think, 'Oh, it's expensive



Larry Hubbard (center) addresses deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind people as they rally on the south Capitol steps to raise awareness for the struggles deaf people face in school, workplace and public settings. The rally was one of more than 45 held at state capitols across the country Wednesday by state branches of the Deaf Grassroots Movement.



(L-R): Robin Coon, Christopher Mick, and Edward Bujanowski. Robin Coon, of Clarksburg, tells crowd members Wednesday that she believes hiring and workplace discrimination against deaf and hard-of-hearing people can be helped by greater awareness for hearing employers. "The time is now to educate and involve them," she said. "It's very simple, but most hearing are afraid because of their lack of knowledge."



Deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf-blind people rally on the south Capitol steps Wednesday to raise awareness for lack of proper education for deaf youth and discrimination in the workplace. The event was coordinated with groups across the country that held simultaneous rallies at their respective capitols.



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West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Celebrates 14 Graduates

The West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind celebrated their graduation with 14 seniors on June 3, 2016, in the crowd-filled Multipurpose Room of the Secondary School for the Deaf.

Family and friends gathered to see Anastacia LaShay Barnhart, Patrick Lee Epperly, Cassidy Brooke Kimble, Katrina Renee Kimble, Kenneth Michael McGray, Jordan Gilbert Simmons, Sammy Dwayne Steele, Kayle Dawn Edwards, Logan Roosevelt Gray, Katelyn Geraldine Rose, and Jesse O'Bryan Snyder graduate from

the School for the Deaf. Zachary Jacob Harding, Adam Carl Weissman, and Anthony Michael Heater (who was unable to attend) graduated from the Multi-Sensory Program. There were no blind graduates this year.

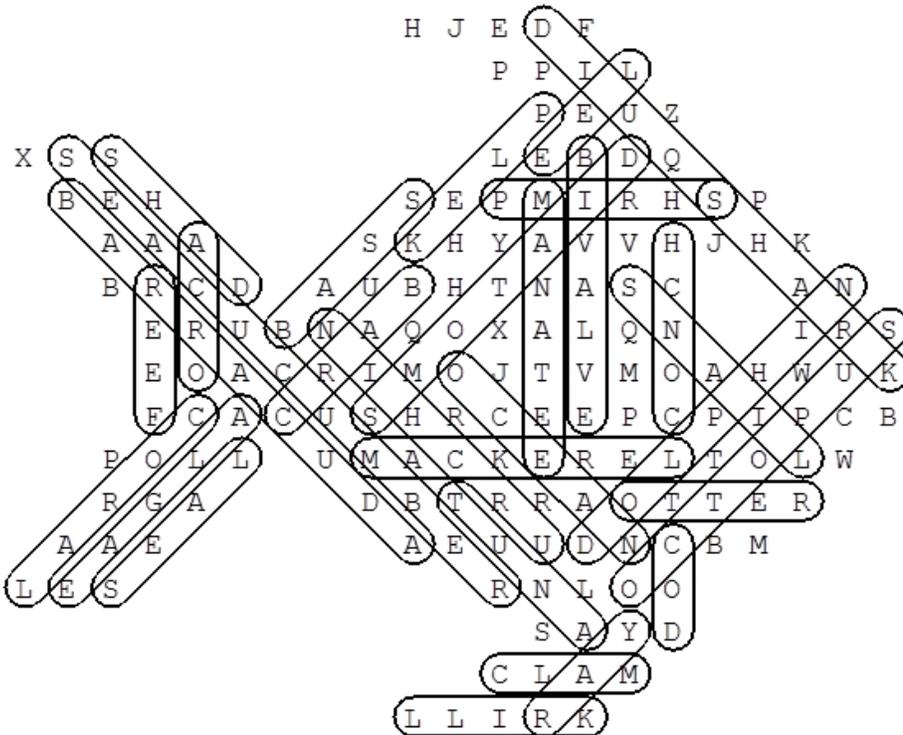
Matthew Moore of Rochester, NY, founder and publisher of *Deaf Life* magazine for the deaf community and founder of "We the Deaf People" and "Deaf People United," came to give a commencement speech to the graduating class. His speech was "Believe in Yourself." It was the first time in history that the school ever had a

commencement speaker. John Burdette, WVAD President, presented monetary awards to Valedictorian Annie Barnhart and Salutatorian Patrick Epperly. He also presented a 2-year membership for every graduate.

Big congratulations to the graduating class of 2016! We are very proud of their accomplishments. Three graduates plan to attend college in the fall; four will return to WVSDB as Career Academy for Post Graduate (CAP) students; and three will pursue jobs in the workforce. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors. 🇺🇸



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to deal with.’ No. Money is not the issue.”

The movement also hopes to see greater educational opportunities for deaf students.

The West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind in Romney have struggled with inadequate funding for years, and its more than 100-year-old buildings need more than \$40 million in renovations, according to the schools’ 10-year Comprehensive Education Facilities Plan.

“The deaf in deaf schools have a lot of activities they can do, they have sports — at hearing schools, they can do some things, but some things they can’t, because they don’t let them,” Hubbard said. “It’s best that they go to a deaf school, so they have access to more activities, and they can enjoy themselves and have better experiences.”

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STUFFED ZUCCHINI BOATS ON THE GRILL

Are zucchinis growing out of your ears from the garden? Here's one way to eat them up! Delicious zucchini stuffed with your favorite ingredients and finished on the hot grill. Great side dish or as a light meal on their own. (Prep time: 20 minutes, cook time: 25 minutes, ready in 45 minutes)

2 medium zucchini
1/4 cup bacon bits
1 jalapeno pepper, minced
1/4 cup minced onion
1/4 cup chopped tomato
6 Tablespoons shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
Seasoned salt to taste

1 slice white bread, torn into small pieces
1 Tablespoon minced black olives
3 Tablespoons diced green chile peppers
1 pinch dried basil
Ground black pepper to taste



1. Prepare the grill for indirect heat.
2. Place the zucchini in a pot with enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, and cook 5 minutes. Drain, cool, and cut in half lengthwise. Scoop out the pulp to about 1/4 inch from the skin. Chop pulp.
3. In a bowl, mix the zucchini pulp, bread pieces, bacon bits, olives, jalapeno, green chile peppers, onion, tomato, and Cheddar cheese. Season with basil, seasoned salt, and pepper.
4. Stuff the zucchini halves with the pulp mixture. Seal each stuffed half in aluminum foil.
5. Place foil packets on the prepared grill over indirect heat. Cook 15 to 20 minutes, until tender.

SUMMER FRUIT GALETTES

Here's a quick and easy way to create a beautiful summer fruit dessert. Frozen fruits should also work. You can also use fresh nectarines or apricots in place of peaches. It will look like you spent hours making this fancy 30-minute dessert! Pairs great with a scoop of vanilla ice cream. (Prep time: 15 minutes, cook time: 14 minutes, ready in 29 minutes)

2 (9-inch) refrigerated pie crusts
1 pint fresh strawberries, sliced
4 Tablespoons white sugar, divided
6 Tablespoons turbinado sugar, divided

3 fresh peaches - peeled, pitted, and sliced
1/2 pint fresh blueberries
4 Tablespoons all-purpose flour, divided



1. Preheat oven to 450 °F (230 °C).
2. Lay out one pie crust on a baking sheet lined with parchment or on a baking stone, leaving room for the second pie crust next to it.
3. Mix together the sliced peaches with half the blueberries, 2 tablespoons of the flour, and 2 tablespoons of the sugar in a bowl. Pour over one pie crust leaving a 1-inch border. Fold up the uncovered border over the edge of the fruit and pinch into pleats. Sprinkle the crust and fruit filling with 3 tablespoons of turbinado (or raw) sugar.
4. Lay out the second pie crust on the baking sheet. Mix together the sliced strawberries, the rest of the blueberries, 2 tablespoons of flour, and 2 tablespoons of sugar in the bowl. Pour over the second pie crust and form the galette the same as the first. Sprinkle with 3 tablespoons of turbinado sugar.
5. Bake in preheated oven until crust is lightly browned, 12 to 14 minutes. Sprinkle with more sugar if desired. Serve warm or at room temperature.

CHOCOLATE PUDDING SHOTS

Awesome alternative to Jell-O® shots. Serve in individual serving cups with lids. You may want to provide some plastic spoons. Keep in the freezer.

1 (3.9 oz) package instant chocolate pudding mix
1/4 cup vodka
1 (8 oz) container frozen whipped topping, thawed

3/4 cup milk
1/2 cup Irish cream liqueur



Beat pudding mix and milk together in a bowl with an electric hand mixer until smooth and beginning to thicken, 1 to 2 minutes. Stir vodka and Irish cream liqueur into the pudding mixture. Fold whipped topping into the mixture until smooth; spoon into 16 small cups. Great for tailgating in the fall!

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