

DSSO Newsletter

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September Events Calendar

There are changes to the event schedule due to two things.

First, there will be a great event in Portland. DeafExpo is coming on September 22nd. A lot of deaf and hard of hearing Oregonians will be there. Be sure to check the enclosed flyer.

Second, Sprint is coming to Medford's deaf pizza on September 29th. The location is still Abby's Legendary Pizza on 1080 South Riverside/Highway 99. The time is still from 5 p.m. to close. The September 29th pizza night is sponsored by Sprint. Shelley Oishi also wants to let the Rogue Valley deaf community know that she is available for home visits on September 29th and 30th. Email her at shelley.oishi@sprint.com. The home visit is about adding sprintrelay.tv to your videophone listing/directory. She will have free gifts for those who sign up. Check the deaf coffee and pizza page for Sprint's quick information.

NWBAD and Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events

The annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner will still be on November 17th at Lions Sight and Hearing Center. We are getting ready to finalize the plans before we can provide information.

We are still looking for a site to hold the New Years Eve Party to be

held on December 31st. Please attend our meeting so that we

can discuss the location or locations for the New Years Eve Party. We really need your input and participation.

If you are still interested in having Halloween Party, please come to our September 9 meeting so that we can discuss and vote on this event.

**N o r t h W e s t
Bowling Association
of the Deaf** will have its annual tournament at Medford's Lava Lanes in 2009.

NWBAD is currently working with the staff and owners of Lava Lanes on lane fees and

Game Night 6:30 p.m.
September 8
DSSO Meeting 4 p.m.
September 9
Lions Sight and Hearing
Center on Holly Street

other tournament needs. Rogue Valley Bowling Association of the Deaf will keep you up to date on 2009.

Telecommunications Devices Access Program (TDAP) Advisory Committee will meet again on September 17, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Salem. The meeting will be in the Small Hearing Room in the Public Utility Commission Building on

Capitol. For further information, please contact Julie Thompson at 1-800-648-3458 TTY 1-800-848-4442 voice or Julie.Thompson@state.or.us. The website is www.rspf.org - this will take you to the State of Oregon's Residential Services Protection Fund.

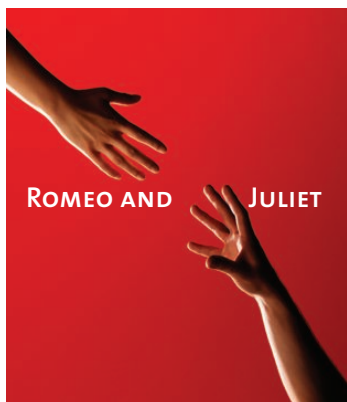


Everybody is welcome. These ongoing activities are open to all members of the deaf/hard-of-hearing/hearing impaired community including interpreters, students, teachers, family and friends.

<p><u>DEAF COFFEE and CHAT</u></p> <p>Rogue Valley Mall Starbucks Coffee Company 1600 North Riverside Suite 2072 Medford OR 97501 Hosted by Janice jicvand@charter.net AND Linda Guerrero LindaRedHair@hotmail.com</p> <p>Every 3rd Saturday 5:30 p.m. 'til close September 15, 2007</p>	<p><u>Deaf Pizza - Medford</u></p> <p>Abby's Legendary Pizza 1080 South Riverside (Highway 99 South and Barnett Road) Hosted by Jennifer Frabasilio prettylady1971@hotmail.com (mention deaf pizza on subject line),</p> <p>Rosie Fiorentino snugglebabe02@msn.com and Linda Guerrero</p> <p>Every 4th (5th) Saturday 5 p.m. to close September 29, 2007</p>
<p><u>SPRINT SPONSORED EVENT</u></p> <p>Sprint will be at Medford's Deaf Pizza on September 29.</p> <p>Shelley Oishi will be there to discuss Sprint's latest product and service offerings.</p> <p>Please email Shelley Oishi at shelley.oishi@sprint.com to sign up for home visit to add sprintrelay.tv and get your free gift. Home visits will be scheduled for Saturday September 29 and Sunday September 30.</p>	<p><u>Deaf Pizza - Grants Pass</u></p> <p>Abby's Legendary Pizza 205 N.E. Beacon Drive, Grants Pass OR 97526 Hosted by Linda Guerrero, Jennifer Frabasilio and Rosie Fiorentino</p> <p>Every 2nd Friday 5 p.m. to close September 14, 2007</p> <p>Quick Directions: On I-5, Exit 55 to Grants Pass Parkway (Highway 199) From North - turn right onto the Parkway From South - turn left onto the Parkway Abby's is on left near Fred Meyers</p>

SIGN INTERPRETED EVENTS

FALL 2007



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

LECTURE

"*Romeo and Juliet: The Comic Tragedy*" by Geoff Ridden, University of Winchester, England. In Carpenter Hall at noon. \$7.00 for adults, \$6.00 for members \$5.25 for youths 6-17. Purchase tickets through the Box Office.

Interpreter: Molly Kingsley Holzshu.

PROLOGUE

Half-hour introduction to the story, themes and characters of *The Taming of the Shrew*. Free.

Interpreter: Anne DeVecchio.

SHOW

The Taming of the Shrew in the Elizabethan Theatre at 8:00

Interpreters: Pam Parham and Molly Wilson.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

BACKSTAGE TOUR

This walking tour explores the history, design and technology of repertory theatre.

\$11.00 for adults, \$8.25 for youths 6-17.

Interpreter: Molly Kingsley Holzshu.

SHOW

Tartuffe in the Angus Bowmer Theatre at 1:30.

Interpreters: Jody Mayer and Dot Hearn.

PROLOGUE

Half-hour introduction to the story, themes and characters of *Romeo and Juliet* at 6:30. Free.

Interpreter: Molly Wilson.

SHOW

Romeo and Juliet in the Elizabethan Theatre at 8:00.

Interpreters: Anne DeVecchio and Pam Parham.



Tickets are subject to availability. For sign interpreted seating contact the Box Office via Oregon Telecommunications Relay Service (OTRS) dial 711 (inside Oregon), or 1-800-735-1235 (for voice outside of Oregon).



OSF Box Office (541) 482-4331
Access Coordinator (541) 482-2111 ext. 425
www.osfashland.org



DeafNation Expo

Free Admission for Exhibitions, Workshops and Entertainment

The DeafNation Expo began in spring 2003, starting with 6 Expos. Today, DeafNation hosts 12 Expos annually, having attracted in excess of 150,000 attendees since.

Portland DeafNation Expo

Saturday, September 22, 2007

Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center
Exhibit Hall D

2060 N. Marine Drive
Portland, OR 97217

Exhibit Hours: 9 am to 6 pm

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

The event includes:

- Exhibitions (FREE)
- Entertainment (FREE)
- Seminars & Workshops (FREE)
- Children's Activities (FREE)

[Register here for Free Admission](http://www.deafnation.com/page.php?id=475)

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HOTEL INFORMATION



Portland North Harbour
Marriott Courtyard
1231 N. Anchor Way
Portland, Oregon 97217
503.735.1818 Ext 515
Fax-503.735.0888

www.marriott.com/pdxnh

Single Bed Group Code: DFNDFNA
Double Bed Group Code: DFNDFNB
\$115 per night



FREE ENTERTAINMENT



BRIDGES TO COMMUNICATION

OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Residential Service Protection Fund

OTAP * OREGON TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
TDAP * TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES ACCESS PROGRAM

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR MONTHLY PHONE BILL? CONTACT OTAP:
Oregonians who are on a qualifying assistance program may receive a reduction in their monthly bill for local residential telephone service.

E-mail: puc.otap@state.or.us

HAVING TROUBLE OR UNABLE TO COMMUNICATE BY TELEPHONE? CONTACT TDAP:
Loans specialized telecommunication equipment at no cost and with no income restrictions to eligible Oregonians who are deaf, hearing, vision, speech and mobility (upper extremities) impaired.

E-mail: puc.tdap@state.or.us

ADDRESS:

550 Capitol St NE, Suite 215
Salem, OR 97301-2551

MAILING:

PO Box 2148
Salem, OR 97308-2148



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(800) 848-4442 Voice
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(503) 378-6047 FAX
(503) 378-6211 VP
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Download or complete applications at www.rspf.org

RSPF SEEKS THREE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Telecommunication Devices Access Program Advisory Committee
Announces the Availability of:

- ONE CONSUMER SEAT from the Hard of Hearing Community
- ONE CONSUMER SEAT from the Deaf Community
- ONE CONSUMER SEAT from the Speech-Impaired Community

Committee Members advise the Public Utility Commission regarding the Telecommunication Devices Access Program (TDAP), Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP), and Oregon Telecommunications Relay Service (OTRS). Committee Members provide essential input regarding adaptive equipment and its distribution in addition to matters affecting the telecommunication assistance programs and the disabled and/or low income populations in which they serve.

Mileage is reimbursed when the TDAP Advisory Committee meets quarterly (first or second Monday in March, June, September, and December) from 9 AM to Noon at

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
550 Capitol St., NE
Salem, OR 97301-2551

If you are interested in serving a 4 year term as a volunteer advisory board representative, please submit the following:

1. One letter of interest stating why you would like to serve on the advisory committee.
2. Your resume and relevant background information
3. One or more letters of recommendation from the community you represent

Please mail all materials to:

Jon Cray, RSPF Manager
Telecommunication Assistance Programs
P.O. Box 2148
Salem, OR 97308-2148

OR fax to 503-378-6047

For further information, please visit www.rspf.org or e-mail jon.cray@state.or.us

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2.00	3 Labor Day	4.00	5.00	6.00	7 First Friday	8 Game Night Second Saturday
9 DSSO Meeting	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14 Deaf pizza - Grants Pass	15 Deaf Coffee Third Saturday
16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20 Newsletter First Deadline	21.00	22 Deaf Expo - Portland
23 Autumn begins Final Deadline	24 Newsletter sent out today	25.00	26.00	27.00	28.00	29 Deaf pizza - Medford
30.00						

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