

DSSO

NEWSLETTER

DSSO Meeting

April 12, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Lions Center

no dinner potluck

no games

Easter Egg Hunt

April 19, 1 to 4 p.m.

Lions Center

Check the enclosed flyer for details

Special Panel

Erin Wasserman wants some people to participate in her panel at Crater High School. Check flyer under DSSO

Beware of April Fool's Day

April 1st - April Fool's Day Pay attention to your world and catch jokes and pranks

OREGON SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

March 28, 29 and 30 shows were *Fences*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *The Clay Cart* and *Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter*. The 2008 season is featuring new improvements.

Bill Drobkiewicz, DSSO Newsletter Editor, and other deaf and hard of hearing people attended the above shows through the weekend.

Fences, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter* were interpreted for the deaf while *The Clay Cart* had open captions. The 2008 season has a new signing coach, Bill Seago. That improved interpreting so much - it became easier to see who was saying what; there were adjustments to signing and expressions and lighting (on the interpreters) became better focused.

All the deaf attendees had a great time watching these shows and getting a lot more from the shows. OSF would love to have a lot more deaf attendees because they want to make live theater accessible and enjoyable for the deaf. Remember that Steve Wasserman still buys tickets in blocks for \$12 each. You can contact him at sawass@wildblue.net for August and September shows.

The Clay Cart is the first show of the season to feature open captions. This will benefit hard of hearing people and other deaf persons who do not know sign language.

Again, OSF would love to have more deaf and hard of hearing attendees! OSF is committed to providing full access to the community at large.

TDAPAC Meeting

Telecommunications Devices Access Program Advisory Committee will have its next meeting on June 2. The location is the Small Hearing Room in the Public Utility Commission building in Salem. The meeting will be from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

For more information, contact TDAP at 1-800-648-3458 TTY, 1-800-848-4442 voice or puc.tdap@state.or.us.

There will be a new Oregon Telecommunications Relay Service Account Manager soon. This Manager will replace Damara Paris.

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.

DEAF COFFEE and CHAT

Rogue Valley Mall
Starbucks Coffee Company
1600 North Riverside
Suite 2072
Medford OR 97501

Hosted by

Janice

jicvand@charter.net

AND

Linda Guerrero

AlohaLindaGAloha@Gmail.com

Every 3rd Saturday
5:30 p.m. 'til close
April 19, 2008

Deaf Pizza - Medford

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),

Rosie Fiorentino

snugglebabe02@msn.com

and Linda Guerrero

Every 4th Saturday
5 p.m. to close
April 26, 2008

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Deaf Pizza - Grants Pass

Abby's Legendary Pizza
205 N.E. Beacon Drive, Grants Pass OR
97526

Hosted by Linda Guerrero,

Jennifer Frabasilio and

Rosie Fiorentino

Every 2nd Friday
5 p.m. to close
April 11, 2008

Quick Directions:

On I-5, Exit 55 to Grants Pass Parkway
(Highway 199)

From North - turn right onto the Park-
way

From South - turn left onto the Parkway
Abby's is on left near Fred Meyers

Firs Bowl, - Google Maps

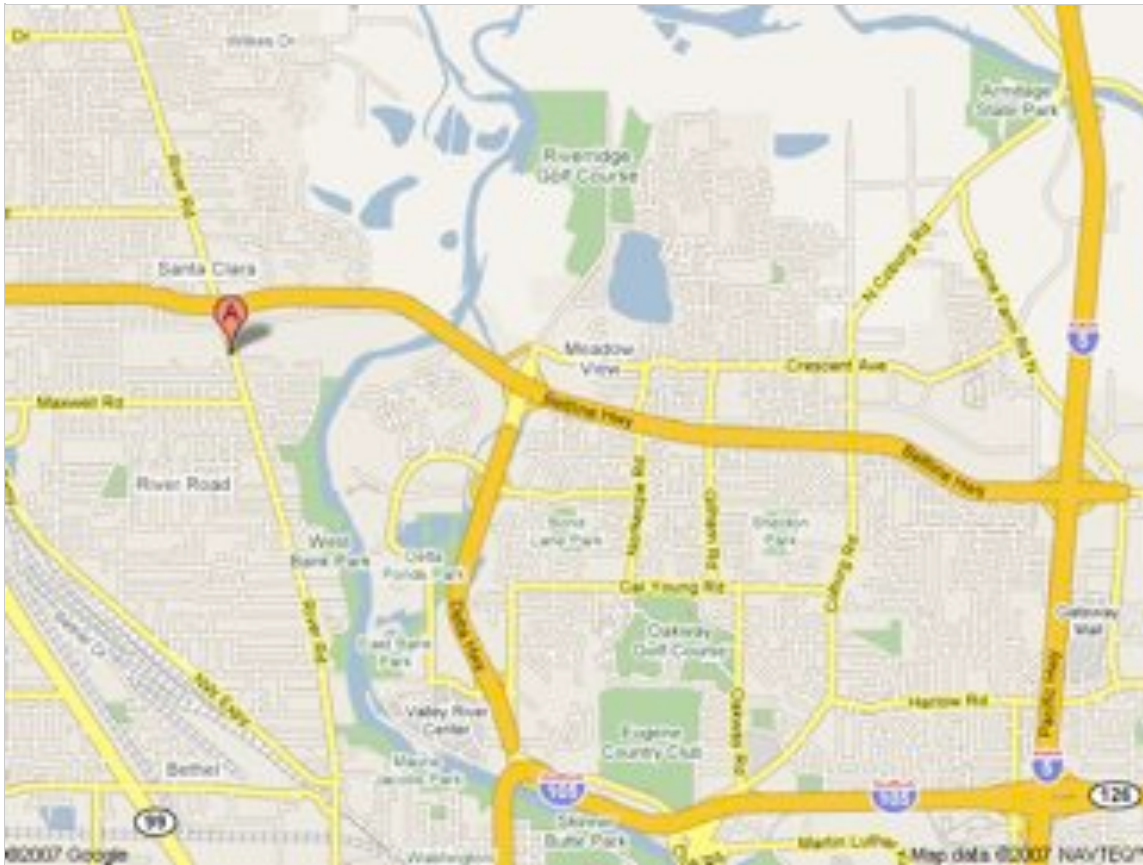
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Results **1 - 1** of about **1,763** for **Firs Bowl,**

Notes SOBAD; April 5th - Saturday
1 p.m. - Exit 195 to Beltline; Exit 8 to River Road

A. Firs Bowl Inc
1950 River Rd, Eugene, OR
(541) 688-1558 - 1 review



DSSO EASTER

April 19, 2008, Saturday

Lions Sight and Hearing Center

Holly Street (parking behind the Center - Grape Street)

Medford

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Easter Details:

Entry is \$2.00 per child - adults are free

50/50 Raffle – Bring a lot of money!

Activities for kids and games with prizes

Egg Hunting and Coloring Contest in age groups

Easter bingo

Candy Jar number (of candy) guess game

Face paintings cost \$1.00 each kid

Frank and Tami Carreon will provide pizzas for kids

(Please thank them for providing pizzas)

DSSO Drinks costs 50 cents each

Come for socialization, catch up with friends and meet new people. Your children will benefit from this too.

For more information, please contact Sheila Schatz (schatzdeaf@charter.net) or contact other DSSO officers.

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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



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Download or complete applications at www.rspf.org

~~DSSO and Game Night~~

April 12, 2008

Lions Sight and Hearing Center
Holly Street, Medford

DSSO Meeting - 4 p.m.

No Potluck Dinner

No Games

Contact Dennis Ross, Dean Darling, Sheila Schatz or Bill Drobkiewicz (DSSO Newsletter Editor)
if you have questions

My name is Erin Wasserman and I am the new Deaf and Hard of Hearing teacher at Crater High School. Currently, I am trying to set up a panel of successful Deaf community members to come and talk about their experiences growing up to show our students that they *do* have options after high school, and that life *doesn't* end. I want them to see the living proof they can be independent and successful adults.

I was hoping panel members could discuss 4 simple questions for about 5 minutes or so.

The questions I would like panel members to answer are:

- What was it like growing up in your home?
- Did your parents sign?
- What struggles did you have in school?
- What suggestions you would give to students now that you look back at your experience?
- Now where do you work, what skills/qualifications did you need, and how did you get the job?

I am trying to plan this event for April 25th at 11:30. Please contact me if you are able to do this
at

erin.wasserman@district6.org

Thank you!!! Erin Wasserman

RVCOG and DSSO

present

Police/Court/Lawyer and Deaf Community Interaction Workshop

May 18 - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Lions Sight and Hearing Center

Holly Street (parking in the back - Grape Street)

Medford

We need you to attend, especially if you had problems with the police, lawyers or the courts

For example:

Interpreters (did not get one; or interpreter was blocked, for example)

Access to lawyers (no lawyer provided; bad lawyer; lawyer refuse to work with interpreter, for example)

Civil Rights not protected (arrested without Miranda Rights; no interpreter provided, for example)

Bad arrests (police beat or hurt you; did not care, for example)

Everything else

Rogue Valley Council of Governments and Deaf Services of Southern Oregon are trying to improve the relations between the community and the police, courts and lawyers.

So, please attend this workshop

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6	7	8	9	10	11 G.P. Pizza	12 DSSO meeting
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Easter Egg Hunt
20 First Deadline	21	22	23	24	25	26 Medford Pizza
27 Final Deadline	28 Newsletter sent out today	29	30	Please note that there will	still be deaf coffee	at the Rogue Valley Mall on the 19th

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