

# DSSO Newsletter

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### DSSO HORSESHOES

DSSO just hosted its annual horseshoes tournament on May 21st. There were 15 players who had a great time, along with a lot of fans. Dennis Ross, one of the horseshoes chairpersons, would like to thank players, fans and volunteers for coming to the event in Phoenix City Park. He hopes to have the tournament again next year in the same place.

Now for the top three players:

1<sup>st</sup> place/champion: Tami Carreon

2<sup>nd</sup> place: Cindy Pyper

3<sup>rd</sup> place: John Knight

### SPECIAL VIDEO

<http://www.schooltube.com/embed/4386d84344d2a7345c5e>

You can turn on captions in the upper right corner before playing this Flash video. This video shows what happens if you text and drive.

### DSSO MEETING

The next meeting is on September 17 at 4 p.m. in the Lions Center.

Four new members of the Rogue Valley community

## Birth Announcements



Michelle Carreon

Frank and Tami Carreon would like to announce the birth of their third daughter, Michelle Carreon, born February 20, 2011. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21 ½ inches long. The Carreons also have two other daughters, Summer and Angela.



Samantha Rose Trujillo

Patty Yates and Joey Trujillo would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Rose Trujillo, born March 7, 2011. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long. Congratulations on your baby girl, Patty and Joey!



Katherine Eva Dado

Sergio and Sarina Dado would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Katherine Eva Dado, born April 9, 2011. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 inches long. Congratulations on your baby girl!

The next birth announcement is on Page 3 - Cody and Sheila Schatz and their third son

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Trout Derby
12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18 DCC
19 Father's Day	20	21 Summer be- gins	22	23	24	25 Ice Cream social
26	27 DSSO News- letter sent out today	28	29	30		

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.

For further info, please contact Janice VanDomelen, Event Coordinator, at [jicvand@charter.net](mailto:jicvand@charter.net).

Events and Upcoming Events • OSF = Oregon Shakespeare Festival • DCC = Deaf Coffee Chat

June

June 11<sup>th</sup> - Bill Smith Memorial Trout Derby at Diamond Lake

June 18<sup>th</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

June 25<sup>th</sup> - Ice Cream Social Night - Dairy Queen, 1078 Morrow (off Biddle), Medford; 5 p.m. to close

July

July 14<sup>th</sup> - *The Pirates of Penzance*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 15<sup>th</sup> - *Love's Labor's Lost*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 16<sup>th</sup> - *Henry IV, Part Two*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 16<sup>th</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Ice Cream Social Night - Dairy Queen, 1078 Morrow (off Biddle), Medford; 5 p.m. to close

August

August 6<sup>th</sup> - Rafting on the Rogue River and BBQ potluck

August 20<sup>th</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

August 27<sup>th</sup> - Ice Cream Social Night - Dairy Queen, 1078 Morrow (off Biddle), Medford; 5 p.m. to close

September

September 10<sup>th</sup> - DSSO Meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center - moved to September 17<sup>th</sup>

September 17<sup>th</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

September 24<sup>th</sup> - Ice Cream Social Night - Dairy Queen, 1078 Morrow (off Biddle), Medford; 5 p.m. to close



Trevyn Schatz

Cody and Sheila Schatz would like to announce the birth of their third son, Trevyn Cody Gerhard Schatz, born May 4, 2011 at 6:42 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 20 inches long.

### **Roquel Wilson's letter to deaf community**

Hi DSSO members,

I want to personally say 'big thank you' for your help in getting the booth set up and for staying around and helping out. A big thank you to Lynda Babbitt for sticking around and offering to help me out in watching the exhibition/booth area. Thank you, Lynda! I hope you liked the coffee I got you.

Thank you to Dennis Ross for helping me bring the boxes of materials to the library. I hope his body got not so strained after that. I think Dennis Ross should not have taken two boxes at a time but we did not think about it. He just rolled it all in one big dolly he had. Next time, Dennis - one little

box at a time in your dolly. (Smile.) We are not getting any younger.

Big thank you to Dennis Kane who offered to help bring my boxes home in his big nice big truck. Thank you for your help! Thank you to Missy Van Domelen for her effort in setting up the DSSO info booth. She did a great job and Lynda too.

I would like to thank Sprint CapTel rep Cindy Campbell for setting up the Sprint CapTel booth and coming down here to our event. She has been busy traveling all over Oregon with her CapTel demonstrations.

I would also like to thank Janice Van Domelen for helping me get word out on Facebook and helping me with chairs. She has been an awesome person.

And I would like to thank Bobby Coleman, Bobo Schultz, Dennis Ross and Ron Van Domelen for helping with setting up the chairs and for doing other things at the event.

I would like to thank Bill Drobkiewicz for his wonderful help in making the flyers and doing all the computer work. Please note that Bill has been a caring, helpful person to me during the process of setting up and advertising the presentation.

Lastly, I want to give my personal heartfelt thank you to Dottie Bishop and Gwen Aguilar for interpreting the presentation on May 16 for us all. A big thank you!

I also like to thank everyone who came to the Social Security presentation on May 16. I hope you all understand the presentation. If you don't understand something from the presentation, let me know and I can try to explain in email as best as I can with simple as possible language. If you ask me a question that I do not know the answer to, I can email Mel Irvin (who gave the Social Security presentation on May 16) your question and he can answer it to me then I can email the answer to you. This is only if you have a question.

I know the Social Security system is very confusing. You are not the only one confused - hearing people are too!!! So don't feel embarrassed if you need to ask a question. If you would rather ask Mel, you can email him. However, if you do not understand what he saying in his email, you can ask me as I can help you understand the answer.

On a different note, I think that, after my 16 years as an Advocate for you, there are several ideas that I may like to present to you. This does not involve money but I would like to get some guest speakers to come and educate all of you. One idea is hospices - many

people do not understand hospices. It is a wonderful program that helps you understand the dying loved ones better and how to cope with it.

Learning what to do, what to look for, while taking care of your dying loved one is very educational. I know no one wants to talk about dying and hospices but there will be a time when we all will HAVE to talk about it and learn from it.

I would like to ask you as DSSO members to vote on if you want a presenter/speaker to come and explain hospices to you. I do know of a perfect person to come and present it. I care enough to help you understand these things. I have been going to these presentation about hospices every Thursday evenings at the Smullin Center. I learned a lot!

Now, a new subject... During the DSSO meeting which took place on May 14 after your Cinco de May potluck dinner, I heard some comments about a new position, lead/deaf advocate and got to thinking. I believe that Bill Drobkiewicz would make a good advocate for you since he has been doing a great job with the VRI committee and interpreter/communication access advocacy.

I am not sure if you still want me as your advocate just because I am not a member of DSSO. That does not mean that I stop coming to events; it

just means that I pay more to enter DSSO events. I don't mind paying more to get into the events - putting extra money into the DSSO account is fine with me and it helps DSSO grow.

I think that I am going to step aside and allow you to decide if you want a lead/deaf advocate in DSSO. I thank you, everyone, for reading what I had to say. May God bless each and everyone of you.

Roquel Wilson

### **VRI progress report**

Providence Hospital - Medford just got some funds to start a pilot VRI (Video Remote Interpreting) program. They will start testing VRI as soon as their contractor, Language Line, resolves some technical issues.

Susan Hall, Risk Manager/Safety Officer at Providence, hopes to have VRI ready to go as soon as possible.

She is aware of lack of communication access in the Rogue Valley deaf community. Ms. Hall is helping to push for full communication access at Providence. So is Pat Fields, Director of Access Services.

Be aware that Providence can provide sign language interpreters by appointment. It is just that emergency requests and visits to the emergency

room may not have interpreters.

As always, if you are having problems with getting an interpreter at any place (not just Providence and Rogue Valley Medical Center), please contact Bill Drobkiewicz at [drobkiewicz@gmail.com](mailto:drobkiewicz@gmail.com). He will set up an appointment to make a VP call with you.

The Rogue Valley VRI Committee is now beginning to work on expanding communication access to private practices, lawyer's offices and other places.

Bill Drobkiewicz has some flyers and business cards from some VRI providers. Email him if you want a flyer and a card.

### **Kids' Fair and Rafting News**

Sheila Schatz, chairperson of kids' fair, announced that the event is postponed to next summer.

That is because she gave birth earlier than planned. And that screwed up the schedule for the summer.

Rafting on the Rogue River will start at Raft Rite in Shady Cove on August 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Karen Dalbec, one of event chairpersons, has not been able to reach Raft Rite to get the price. But this fun event is all set and ready to go.



# 17TH ANNUAL BILL SMITH MEMORIAL TROUT DERBY AT DIAMOND LAKE

**JUNE 11**  
**Camping on June 10 and 12**

**Rules and Regulations:**

- 1] Participants must have a valid Oregon State Fishing License. This derby is open to those with a valid OR Fishing License. The entry fee is \$10 and the registration is at 6:15 a.m. on June 12th with event coordinator(s).
- 2] This derby is an one day event - held on June 11.
- 3] Prizes will be awarded as outlined below for the largest trout taken from the lake by legal fishing method between 6:30 a.m. and 12 noon on June 12th. The largest trout is defined as the longest in length (nose to tail end). In the event that there are two or more fish that have the same length, the biggest fish will be the heaviest in weight. Only trouts will qualify for prizes.
- 4] Prizes will depend on the number of entries.
- 5] Only one fish per registered angler may be the longest entered into the contest.
- 6] The contest begins at 6:30 a.m. and ends at 12 noon. The measuring and weighting begins at 12:30 p.m. at the Fish Cleaning Area by the Marina Store.
- 7] Anglers must follow all State Fishing regulations and State Park Rules while participating in this derby.

Awards, and raffle will be around 3:30 p.m., maybe 4 p.m. The time may be later as determined by the event coordinators, Dennis Kane and Ron VanDomelen. Contact them at [info@dso.org](mailto:info@dso.org), their email addresses and/or VP.

You can call Umpqua National Forest at 1-877-444-6777 through relay. Ask for Campground G, if at possible.

## **DIRECTIONS**

Located 80 miles east of Roseburg on Highway 138, turn right onto Road 4795 (Diamond Lake Loop) at the north entrance to Diamond Lake Recreation Area. Proceed 2.5 miles to the campground entrance. Diamond Lake may also be accessed via Highway 230 from Medford, or Highway 97 from Klamath Falls and Bend.



# 2011 SIGN INTERPRETED EVENTS AT THE OREGON SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL



**MAY 27, 8:00**



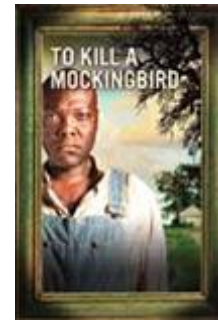
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Robin Mills, Dan Veltri  
and Pam Parham  
Linda Bove is the sign coach for the above three performances.

**MAY 28, 8:00**



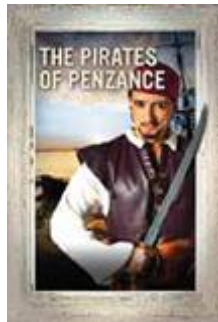
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and Charlotte Toothman

**MAY 29, 1:30**



**Interpreted by:**  
Anne Del Vecchio  
and Jeff Wildenstein

**JULY 14, 8:30**



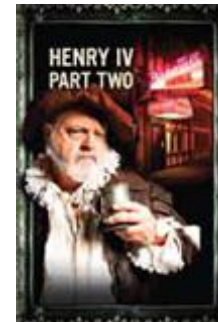
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and Jeff Wildenstein  
Billy Seago is the sign coach for the above three performances.

**JULY 15, 8:30**



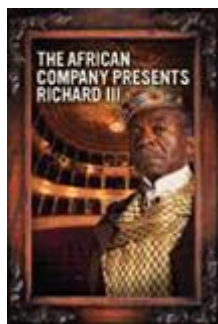
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Aaron Brace, Sharon Neumann  
Solow and Charlotte Toothman

**JULY 16, 8:30**



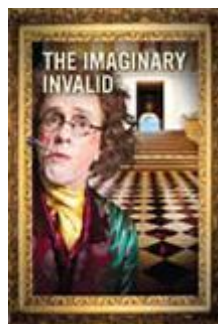
**Interpreted by:**  
Patty Lessard, Janet  
Maxwell and Joe Quinn

**OCT. 14, 8:00**



**Interpreted by:**  
Suzanne Lightbourn  
and Robin Mills  
Howie Seago is the sign coach for the above three performances.

**OCT. 15, 8:00**



**Interpreted by:**  
Pam Parham and  
Charlotte Toothman

**OCT. 16, 1:30**



**Interpreted by:**  
Janet Maxwell and  
Dan Veltri

**Complimentary interpreted prologues will be presented each night beginning one hour prior to each interpreted performance. Interpreted backstage tours are available on request. Tickets for the backstage tour may be purchased on line, through the Box Office, or directly through Jim Amberg at [jima@osfashland.org](mailto:jima@osfashland.org)**

Tickets are subject to availability. For sign interpreted seating contact the Box Office via Oregon Telecommunication Relay Service (OTRS); dial 711, or email Access Coordinator Jim Amberg at [jima@osfashland.org](mailto:jima@osfashland.org).

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Every Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Be sure to show up at 9:30 a.m.  
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This is from Rick Sutherland at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

You are warmly invited to the following Bible education programs held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 489 Cheney Loop, Central Point, Oregon:

Saturdays

2:00 PM Bible Based Discourse in ASL

2:35 PM Bible Discussions, new topic each week

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