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# DSSO NEWSLETTER

## December Event Notes

*Happy Holidays! Happy New Year! Merry Christmas!*

The DSSO annual Christmas party, held on December 10<sup>th</sup>, broke a record for attendance - 70 or so kids along with adults for total of about 84 people.

Missy VanDomelen, event chairperson, would like to thank everybody for coming to the party, volunteers for setting up and cleaning up afterwards, Scott McGrath for being this year's Santa Claus, Edie Ross for interpreting and two gentlemen for being this year's elves. They are Ron VanDomelen (left) and Dennis Kane (right).

Missy VanDomelen says that Scott McGrath did great with the storytelling - the kids enjoyed that. She hopes that DSSO will host a record-breaking Christmas Party in 2012.

After this event, DSSO had its officer election - details are to the right in red box.



The next DSSO meeting is on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. The place is Lions Center.

See you next year at the meeting!

### New officers elected

On December 10<sup>th</sup>, DSSO members had an election for DSSO President and Secretary.

Bobby Coleman and Dean Darling were nominated for President. Bobby Coleman won the election, so he will serve for the next two years - 2012 to 2014, starting on January.

Sheila Schatz was the only nominee for Secretary, so she became our new Secretary by acclamation.

Our officers are now:

Bobby Coleman;  
President

Bobo (Schultz) Nelson;  
Vice President

Missy Van Domelen;  
Treasurer

Sheila Schatz; Secretary

Congratulations to our  
newly elected officers!

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REQUEST FOR RECIPES FOR COOKBOOK TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2012

Sheila Schatz is now collecting recipes for fund-raising. She wants to collect each kid's favorite recipe and family favorite recipe. The recipe can be any meal or snack (breakfast, lunch, dinner, appetizers, desserts).

Please include the name of person who wrote/donated recipe. Send to Sheila Schatz at

[cinderellashine@gmail.com](mailto:cinderellashine@gmail.com). Deadline is December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011. She will begin to make the book to sell sometime in 2012.

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## LOVE FEAST ON DEC. 24<sup>TH</sup>

Rogue Valley Deaf Christian Fellowship will have its Love Feast Christmas potluck dinner on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. It is at 922 West Harbeck Road, Grants Pass OR.

Bring a main dish, side dish, desserts and your own drinks. Bring families and friends and let us socialize! If you have questions, please contact Ken and/or Barbie Bell at RVDCF. The numbers are VP 541-787-4687 and Voice 541-226-2391. Hope to see you there!

## DEAF PIZZA MOVED TO NEW PLACE

Medford Deaf Pizza is cancelled for December and has a new location at Jackson Creek Pizza in January.

This is on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. You can park in the downtown Medford parking garage on 6<sup>th</sup> Street, across from Red Lion.

There should be 3 hour free parking until 6 p.m. then all free after 6 p.m. You can enter Jackson Creek Pizza through its back door, just across from the garage.

## MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Do not forget that DSSO membership renews in January 2012. There is the membership form enclosed in this issue.

You can pay at the January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting if you want.

## OSF SIGN INTERPRETED SHOWS FOR 2012

Oregon Shakespeare Festival now has the full schedule of 9 sign interpreted shows for 2012.

They are:

*Animal Crackers* - April 26

*The White Snake* - April 27

*Romeo and Juliet* - April 28

*Henry V* - July 12

*The Very Merry Wives of Windsor, Iowa* - July 13

*As You Like It* - July 14

*Medea/Macbeth/Cinderella* - September 21

*All The Way* - September 22

*Party People* - September 23

Howie Seago is in two shows in 2012 - *Henry V* and *As You Like It*. For more information, please check their website at <http://www.osfashland.org/plays/index.aspx>. We will have a flyer when the time comes.

## ASL VIDEOS ABOUT MEDICARE

New Educational Video about Medicare in American Sign Language (ASL) - The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has released an educational video about the Medicare program in ASL for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. The video gives an overview of the Medicare program, including what Medicare is, who qualifies, the four parts (A, B, C and D), new preventive services under the Affordable Care Act, and help paying Medicare costs.

This information was recently added to Disability.gov. To learn more visit

[https://www.disability.gov/benefits/social\\_security\\_disability\\_benefits/social\\_security\\_disability\\_insurance\\_%28ssdi%29/medicare](https://www.disability.gov/benefits/social_security_disability_benefits/social_security_disability_insurance_%28ssdi%29/medicare)

## WA. NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

If you must have a real deaf New Years Eve Party, here is the info from Washington State.

December 31, 2011; Vancouver Association of the Deaf, Southwest Washington Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Oregon Deaf Club Invites you to New Year's Eve 2011 Bash.

7 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. There will be Dinner, Dancing, Poker Tournament, Door Prizes, & More.

LOCATION: Chen's Buffet, 416 NE Thurston Way, Vancouver, WA. (Near Vancouver Mall, off of SR-500)

TICKET INFO: \$20 Pre-Sale Purchase (before 12/11/11) \$25 General Admission; \$30 At the Door (VAD, SWCDHH, ODC Board Members will be selling tickets in November)

For more info Contact Melissa Cayton at [vad.events@gmail.com](mailto:vad.events@gmail.com)

DSSO will not host a New Years Eve party in the Rogue Valley.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 New Years Day! 2012!	2	3	4	5	6	7 SOBAD
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 DSSO meeting
15	16 ML King Day	17	18	19	20	21 DCC
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Deaf Pizza
29	30 Newsletter out today	31		DO NOT FORGET	TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP!	

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

#### December

December 24<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Night cancelled

December 24<sup>th</sup>: Love Feast Christmas Dinner; 4 p.m., RVDCF 922 West Harbeck Road, Grants Pass OR

December 31<sup>st</sup> - Happy New Year! Enjoy your party!

#### January

January 1<sup>st</sup> - New Years Day

January 14<sup>th</sup> - DSSO Meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center

January 21<sup>st</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

January 28<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Night - Jackson Creek Pizza, 317 East Main St. (downtown Medford); 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

#### February

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

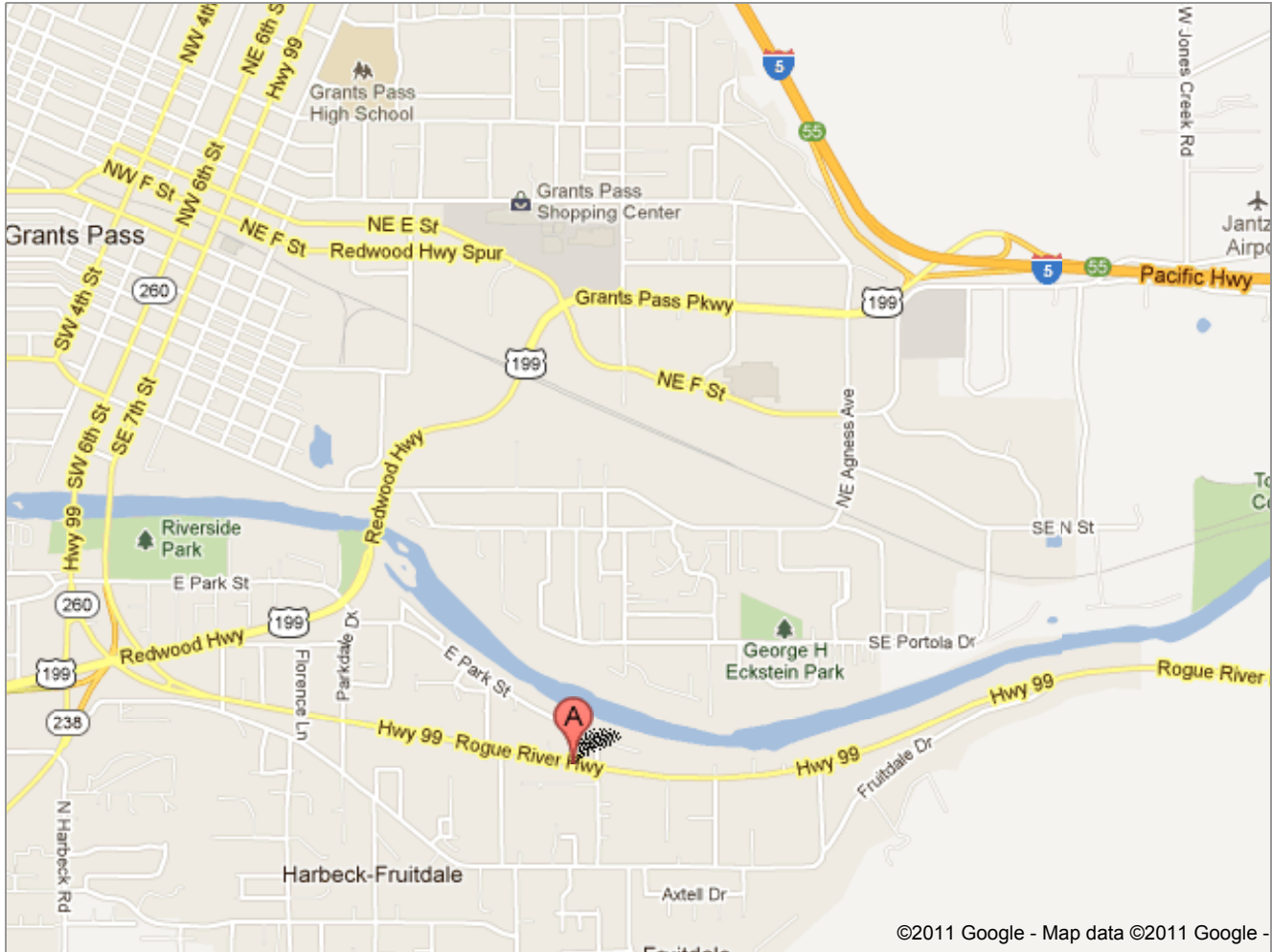
February 25<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Night - Jackson Creek Pizza, 317 East Main St. (downtown Medford); 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.



**Caveman Lanes, 1230 Rogue River Hwy,  
Grants Pass OR**

SOBAD - January 7 at 12:30 p.m.  
Hwy 199 goes from I-5, exit 55  
Go west on Hwy 199

- A. **Caveman Bowl**  
1230 Rogue River Highway, Grants Pass, OR  
(541) 479-2311  
5 reviews



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## DSSO Membership New/Renewal Form

**All membership fees are due every January 20<sup>th</sup>**

### Membership:

Under 55 - \$10.00/year Senior/Over 55 - \$7.00/year

**A** = Please fill out the form on the back. Please write your name and address – we confirm your identity with our last year's records. When you pay for your membership, please confirm your membership. If we do not have your address, your membership will not be processed.

**B** = You can pay between January 1st and January 18<sup>th</sup>. We are giving you two (2) days to renew by mail so that your completed form can arrive in our mailbox on January 20<sup>th</sup>. It is a flat rate per year. If you pay now before January 20<sup>th</sup> then you are good until next January 20<sup>th</sup>.

**C** = We accept cash and money orders. **Money orders must be made out to Deaf Services of Southern Oregon.**

**D** = Other Information

Have your address complete with zip code so that we can confirm your membership status. Your name and address will be used for the DSSO Newsletter mailings as well. Same for your e-mail address. Please mail the completed form and payment to Treasurer's address. You can make copies of this form for your family and friends.

Thank you,

Missy VanDomelen, DSSO Treasurer

% Deaf Services of Southern Oregon

PO Box 4535

Medford, OR 97501

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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR: 2012 - 2013

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE INCLUDE ZIP CODE!!!**

VP PHONE NUMBER OR ANY PHONE NUMBER (please label which phone VP, TTY, text, voice, etc)

(OPTIONAL): \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS (CAN BE USED FOR DSSO NEWSLETTER EMAIL, TOO):

\_\_\_\_\_

UNDER 55 (\$10.00 PER PERSON): \_\_\_\_\_ **DUE JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

OVER 55 (\$7.00 PER PERSON): \_\_\_\_\_ **DUE JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**NO CHECKS ACCEPTED**

CASH: \_\_\_\_\_

MONEY ORDER: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW- DSSO OFFICERS ONLY**

Secretary - Receive Date:

Treasurer - Receive Date:

**B** = 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_

**C** = \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$7.00 \_\_\_\_\_ CASH MONEY ORDER

Notes/Comments:

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**D.S.S.O. Staff and Newsletter Information:**

**President:** Bobby Coleman

**Vice President:** Bobo (Schultz) Nelson

**Treasurer:** Missy VanDomelen [misbo23@aol.com](mailto:misbo23@aol.com)

**Secretary:** Sheila Schatz

**Newsletter Editor:** Bill Drobkiewicz [drobkiewicz@gmail.com](mailto:drobkiewicz@gmail.com)

**Event Coordinator & Newsletter writer:** Janice VanDomelen

**Fundraising Coordinator & Newsletter writer:** Sheila Schatz

**Board of Trustees:** Dennis Kane; Janice VanDomelen; Bill Drobkiewicz; Dennis Ross

**D.S.S.O. Mailing Address:** D.S.S.O. PO Box 4535 Medford, OR 97501

**D.S.S.O. E-mail:** [info@dssso.org](mailto:info@dssso.org)

**WWW:** <http://www.dssso.org>

**Newsletter Policy:** Deadline: Last Sunday every month. Exactly 6 p.m. is the closing time for the newsletter. We will publish on last Monday every month.

Contact the newsletter at (541) 245-2549 (voice/TTY) or [newsletter@dssso.org](mailto:newsletter@dssso.org)

**Newsletter mailing address:** D.S.S.O. Newsletter c/o Bill Drobkiewicz 2432 Fox Run Medford OR 97504-6358

**Subscription Information:** If you wish to subscribe to the Newsletter, you will need to pay the \$20 subscription fee. Mail the \$20 fee to the above Newsletter address. For more information, contact either Bill Drobkiewicz or Bobby Coleman. All subscriptions renew every August. **Contact us if you move or have a new address. Please!**

**Advertising Policy:** Advertising in the newsletter is \$10 per month. A year's worth of advertising is \$100 (two months free). Advertisements can be text, flyer or a combination of both. Any pictures or photos must be camera-ready as we use a printer and a scanner. You can send the monies and advertising to the above Newsletter address.

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Pastor Ken Bell is the deaf pastor with services in Medford and Grants Pass.

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Pastor Ken Bell  
922 West Harbeck Road  
Grants Pass OR  
VP: 541.787.4687  
Voice: 541.226.2391

Every Saturday Deaf Service 4 p.m.  
Every Saturday Bible study 3 p.m.

Medford:  
Rogue Valley Fellowship Church  
Pastor Ken Bell  
2399 South Pacific Highway  
Medford, OR  
[www.roguevalleyfellowship.com](http://www.roguevalleyfellowship.com)  
Every Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Be sure to show up at 9:30 a.m.  
Childcare provided by RVE  
Every Sunday Deaf Service 10:30 a.m.

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

Upcoming discussions: check with us

Free Bible DVD's now available Matthew through Hebrews (ASL)

No collections

For questions or free home Bible Studies contact:  
Rick Sutherland 541-227-4402 or  
[medfordslc@gmail.com](mailto:medfordslc@gmail.com)

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