

# DSSO Newsletter

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## **DSSO Membership and meeting reminder**

DSSO will have its meeting on March 9 at 4 p.m. The location is Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center on Holly Street. DSSO also would like to remind our current members to renew their memberships. Look for the membership form in this Newsletter.

## **Happy St. Patrick's Day**

### **Happy Easter**

We at DSSO would like to wish you a great St. Patrick's Day and a happy Easter. And we would like to remind you that time will change on March 10 - one hour ahead (Spring Forward).

## **Rogue Valley Video Remote Interpreting Committee**

RVVVIC would like to let you know what you can do if there are interpreting issues.

The current members are Bill Drobkiewicz, lead facilitator; Bobo Nelson, secretary; Missy Van Domelen, lead researcher; Bobby Coleman; Joelle Morgan and Dennis Ross.

First, let the RVVVIC members know about the interpreting issue right away, right now. You can contact us in person, through [info@dssso.org](mailto:info@dssso.org) or on VP. The issue can be related to video remote interpreting or live interpreter (certified or not).

Second, if you are having some issues with a *certified* interpreter, we must know right away as well - RID (Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf) has a 90 day time limit for filing complaints about certified interpreters.

Third, most of the RVVVIC members will be more than happy to help you fill some complaint forms.

What this means is you will need to let us right away if there are problems with interpreting in general or with interpreters.

## **Event Updates**

We are still working on the following events. We will update members on these events at the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

April - deaf game social night

May - Cinco de Mayo Mexican potluck; horseshoes tournament

June - Bill Smith Memorial Trout Derby at Diamond Lake

August - Rafting on the Rogue River

As for fall events, we will decide on them at the DSSO May meeting.

## **Oregon Shakespeare Festival**

The next sign interpreted shows are King Lear (April 25), Two Trains Running (April 26) and The Taming of the Shrew (April 27). All showtimes are 8 p.m. Tickets for sign interpreted shows are \$25 each person. To buy tickets, contact the box office - [boxoffice@osfashland.org](mailto:boxoffice@osfashland.org) or (541) 482-4331 or Access Coordinator - [access@osfashland.org](mailto:access@osfashland.org).

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 DSSO mtg
10 Time change	11	12	13	14	15	16 DCC
17 St. Pat's Day	18	19	20	21	22	23 Deaf pizza
24	25 Newsletter out	26	27	28	29	30
31 Easter						

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 [info@dssso.org](mailto:info@dssso.org)

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

#### March

March 9<sup>th</sup> - DSSO meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center

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

March 23<sup>rd</sup> - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99); 5 p.m. to close

#### April

April xx - April socialization and game night - not set yet, planning

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

April 25<sup>th</sup> - *King Lear*, OSF: 8 p.m.

April 26<sup>th</sup> - *Two Trains Running*, OSF: 8 p.m.

April 27<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99); 5 p.m. to close

April 27<sup>th</sup> - *The Taming of the Shrew*, OSF: 8 p.m.

#### May

May 4<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> - DSSO meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center - not confirmed yet

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

May xx - Cinco de Mayo Mexican Potluck Dinner, xx p.m. - not set yet, planning

May 18<sup>th</sup> - Horseshoes Tournament - Phoenix City Park; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

May 25<sup>th</sup> - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99); 5 p.m. to close

#### June

June xx - Bill Smith Memorial Trout Derby at Diamond Lake, not set yet, planning

June 15<sup>th</sup> - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

June 22<sup>nd</sup> - Ice Cream Social Night - Dairy Queen, 1078 Morrow (off Biddle), Medford; 5 p.m. to close

## 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,

Dean Darling, DSSO Treasurer

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PO Box 4535

Medford, OR 97501

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

YEAR: 2013 - 2014

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:



## Community Works Sexual Assault Disabilities Advocate

Free and confidential services for survivors of sexual assault who have disabilities

### Sexual Assault Disabilities Advocate

I advocate for survivors of sexual assault with disabilities, including people who are hard-of-hearing or deaf. I can provide emotional support, give information and referrals, and accompany people to various places, such as to the courthouse, in their healing process.

Please call me, Kim Lovelace, at 541-821-8581 or e-mail me at [kim@community-works.org](mailto:kim@community-works.org). I am familiar with video phones and 711, and we may be able to provide a certified sign language interpreter as needed. And, because these services are confidential, no one will know about you reaching out to me.

If you have survived a past or recent sexual assault and are looking for support, please call or e-mail. We can communicate by phone, e-mail, or in person. And, if you are a survivor of domestic violence, I can help connect you to the right advocate at Community Works.

For immediate assistance, you may also always call HelpLine at 541-779-4357, which is staffed 24 hours a day.



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Contact the newsletter at [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.

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

Rogue Valley Deaf Christian Fellowship  
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  
2399 South Pacific Highway  
Medford, OR  
[www.roguevalleyfellowship.com](http://www.roguevalleyfellowship.com)

Every Sunday Deaf Fellowship 10 a.m.  
Every Sunday Deaf Service 10:30 a.m.  
Childcare provided by RVF

Open Bible Discussion Group  
Meets every Wednesday at 6:30 PM at different locations (including Lions Center)  
Bring finger food, your own drink and chair  
Contact John Babbitt [babbittje@gmail.com](mailto:babbittje@gmail.com)

This is from Rick Sutherland at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

You are warmly invited to the following Bible education programs 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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