

DSSO Newsletter

Welcome to 2014

Happy Valentines' Day; Great Presidents' Day and Groundhog Day

Hello everyone! We at DSSO hope you all have a good 2014 so far. DSSO knows that there are now new changes and new connection to Grants Pass! That is great news!! DSSO also has new President, Bill Drobkiewicz and new Secretary, Jacque "Jackie" Wattles! Let us have a great year for DSSO and our community.

There is a new community involvement. We at DSSO are open to having you bring new ideas for our events and activities. If you have an idea to share with us and wanted to do something for the Deaf community, you are welcome to bring your idea to our new Events Committee.

DSSO would like to announce two events for March.

Oregon Association of the Deaf (OAD) will show "In The

Can" on March 1st (Saturday) at 7 p.m. The Location is Medford Library in downtown. The film has all deaf cast, crew and director with ASL and subtitled for hearing people. The ticket price is \$11 per person.

DSSO is planning to sell concessions (popcorn, drinks and candy) to help raise funds. We also need volunteers for set up before and clean up and clearing out after the film as well as selling tickets and concessions.

If you have questions, please contact Bill Drobkiewicz or Janice VanDomelen.

Keith Wann, CODA comedian, is coming on March 19th (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. The location is Old South High School (815 South Oakdale). You can order tickets early: http://www.keithwann.com/KW/Tickets_OR_WA.html.

President's Note

Hello all! This is Bill Drobkiewicz, new DSSO President.

First, I would like to thank you for your confidence in me. I will try my best to serve the deaf community.

Second, I am going with committees (the list is on the next page) to help increase community involvement and to give you something to do.

Third, we are going to make changes in our meeting schedule and monthly socials like deaf pizza and deaf ice cream. We are going to meet every month and alternating between Medford and Grants Pass. We will meet through the summer as well. We may alternate our monthly socials as well.

DSSO MEETING SCHEDULE; UPCOMING EVENTS

The next DSSO meeting is in Grants Pass on February 8th, Saturday. The time is 6 p.m. We will meet at Abby's Legendary Pizza (205 Beacon Dr., Grants Pass; off Grants Pass Parkway/Redwood Highway).

This meeting is to help finish the committee sign ups. I will explain what the committees are for

the Grants Pass people. So please come to the meeting even though it is a long way.

We are planning our annual summer events - horseshoes tournament, Bill Smith Memorial Trout Derby and the annual raft trip on the Rogue River. We can always use volunteers and help - come see the Events Committee for help and details.

Committee List

Each should have committee chair and recorder/secretary. DSSO Secretary is responsible for tracking and scheduling of committees.

Committee board will need to have 3 or 5 members; number of volunteers is not limited

All Committees can come up with event & fundraising ideas

Please come see any DSSO officers if you are interested or want to know more about these committees

Bylaws/OAD Options

Revise the bylaws; discuss ALL options (merge, affiliate, partner, etc. etc.) with OAD

Events Committee

Will have sub-committees for specific events; will be responsible for information, location, contact, set up, etc.; admission and fees shall be discussed last; help with advertising

Finance Committee

Treasurer's favorite committee; financial reports; bank statements; financial queries; information re: donors \$; membership \$ tracking

Fundraising Committee

Will coordinate with Event Committee on admission/fees; help with advertising

Membership Committee

Responsible for getting new members and keeping not-so-new members; help with outreach and advertising

Newsletter Committee

Work on DSSO Newsletter; help with outreach and advertising; Facebook

Consumer Education and Outreach

Educate deaf/hard of hearing community on what DSSO is; educate hearing community on what deaf/hard of hearing community is; educate about laws and rules about disabilities (deafness in particular); outreach is for outside events and activities

Advocacy Committee

VRI Committee goes here and is expanded; interpreter issues; legal issues; medical issues; education issues; SSA issues; access issues; advocacy education; working with clients

Sunshine Committee

Birthdays; sympathy; door to door visit

Youth Committee

Mainly run by high school kids with adult assistance. Members can join other committees as youth reps. Will help get young members and keep them.

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9	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day!	15
16	17 Presidents' Day	18	19	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday
23	24 Newsletter Sent Out Today	25	26	27	28	

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 Event Committee at info@dssso.org

Events and Upcoming Events • OSF = Oregon Shakespeare Festival • DCC = Deaf Coffee Chat
 SOBAD = Southern Oregon Bowling Association of the Deaf • G.P. = Grants Pass

February

February 1st - SOBAD

February 8th - DSSO meeting; 6 p.m.; Abby's Legendary Pizza (205 Beacon Dr., Grants Pass; off Grants Pass Parkway/Redwood Highway)

February 15th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

February 22nd - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99); 5 p.m. to close

March

March 1st - OAD Film Showing, "In The Can"; 7 p.m. Medford Library in Downtown Medford

March 8th - DSSO meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center MEDFORD

March 8th - Grants Pass Pizza Night - Abby's Legendary Pizza (205 Beacon Dr., Grants Pass; off Grants Pass Parkway/Redwood Highway) [may change at any time]

March 15th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

March 19th - Keith Wann, CODA Comedian, 6 p.m.; Old South High School (815 South Oakdale) Medford

March 22nd - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99, MEDFORD); 5 p.m. to close

April

April 12th - DSSO meeting in Grants Pass at HASL; Time to be announced

April 19th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

April 25th - *The Cocoanuts*, OSF: 8 p.m.

April 26th - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99, MEDFORD); 5 p.m.

April 26th - *The Sign in Sidney Brustein's Window*, OSF: 8 p.m.

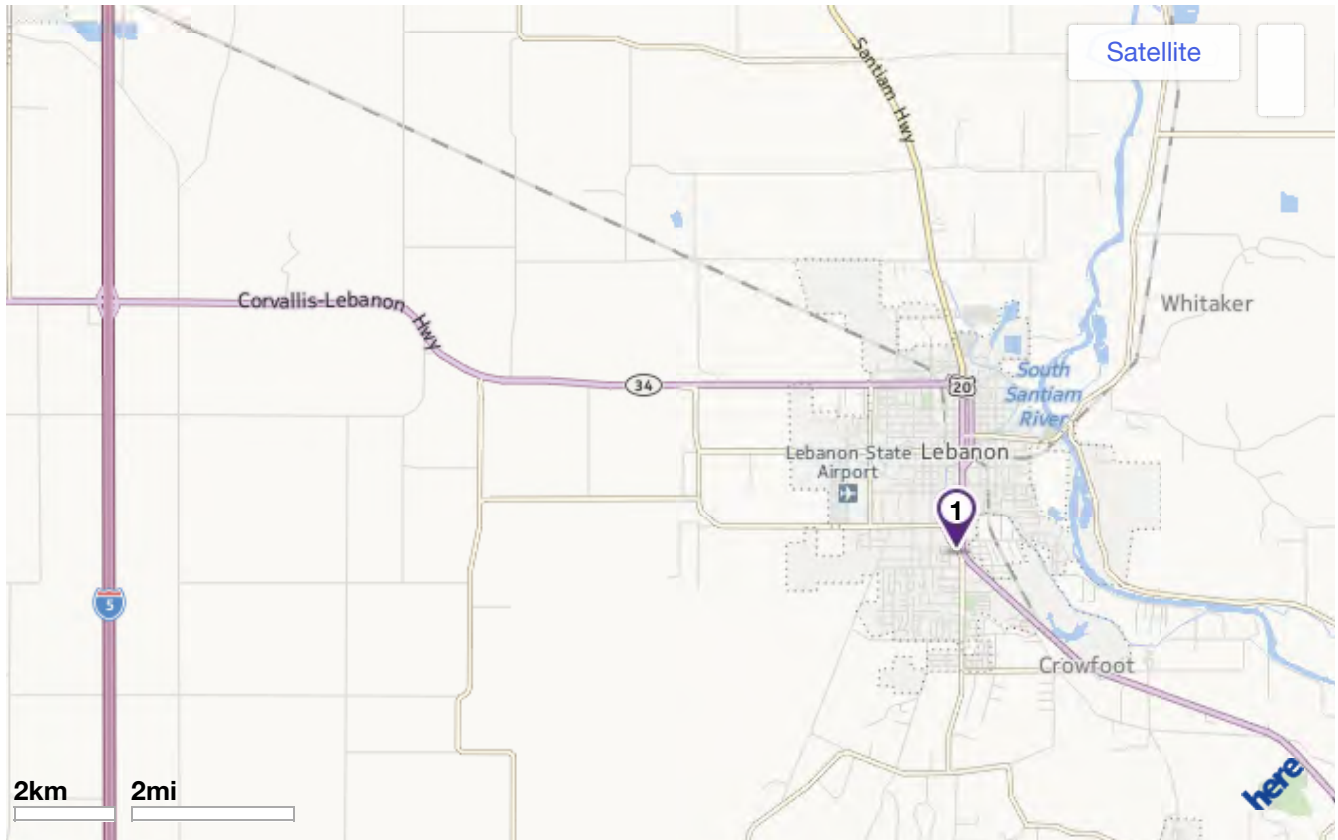
April 27th - Pizza Night - Wild River Brewing and Pizza (2684 N. Pacific Highway - HWY 99); 5 p.m. to close

April 27th - *The Comedy of Errors*, OSF: 8 p.m.

linn lanes

SOBAD League Location
Linn Lanes
2250 S Main Rd, Lebanon OR
Feb 1st at 1 p.m.

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1. Linn Lanes Bowling Center



2250 S Main Rd, Lebanon, OR
(541) 451-3900

When using any driving directions or map, it is a good idea to double check and make sure the road still exists, watch out for construction, and follow all traffic safety precautions. This is only to be used as an aid in planning

BOBBY
SIEBERT

NYLE
DIMARCO

JANEL
SCHMIDT

GABRIEL
PAULONE

DAWN JANI
BIRLEY

JON
SAVAGE

DANNY
FROEHLE



in the Can

\$11

(cash & credit accepted)
Tickets will be sold
at the door if available

PG-13

Tickets/Information
Betsy Burks
bebebetsy@comcast.net

**SATURDAY
MARCH 1, 2014
7:00 PM (CC)**
JCLS Medford Library Branch @
Large Community Meeting Room
205 South Central Avenue
Medford, OR 97501



Net Proceeds to benefit
**Oregon Association
of the Deaf, Inc. (OAD)**

**ASL Films DVDs will
be available for sale**

www.aslfilms.com





UNIVERSITY OF OREGON
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COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES
AND AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE SEQUENCE

PRESENTS NATIONALLY KNOWN

Deaf comedian
CJ Jones

Wednesday.

February 19

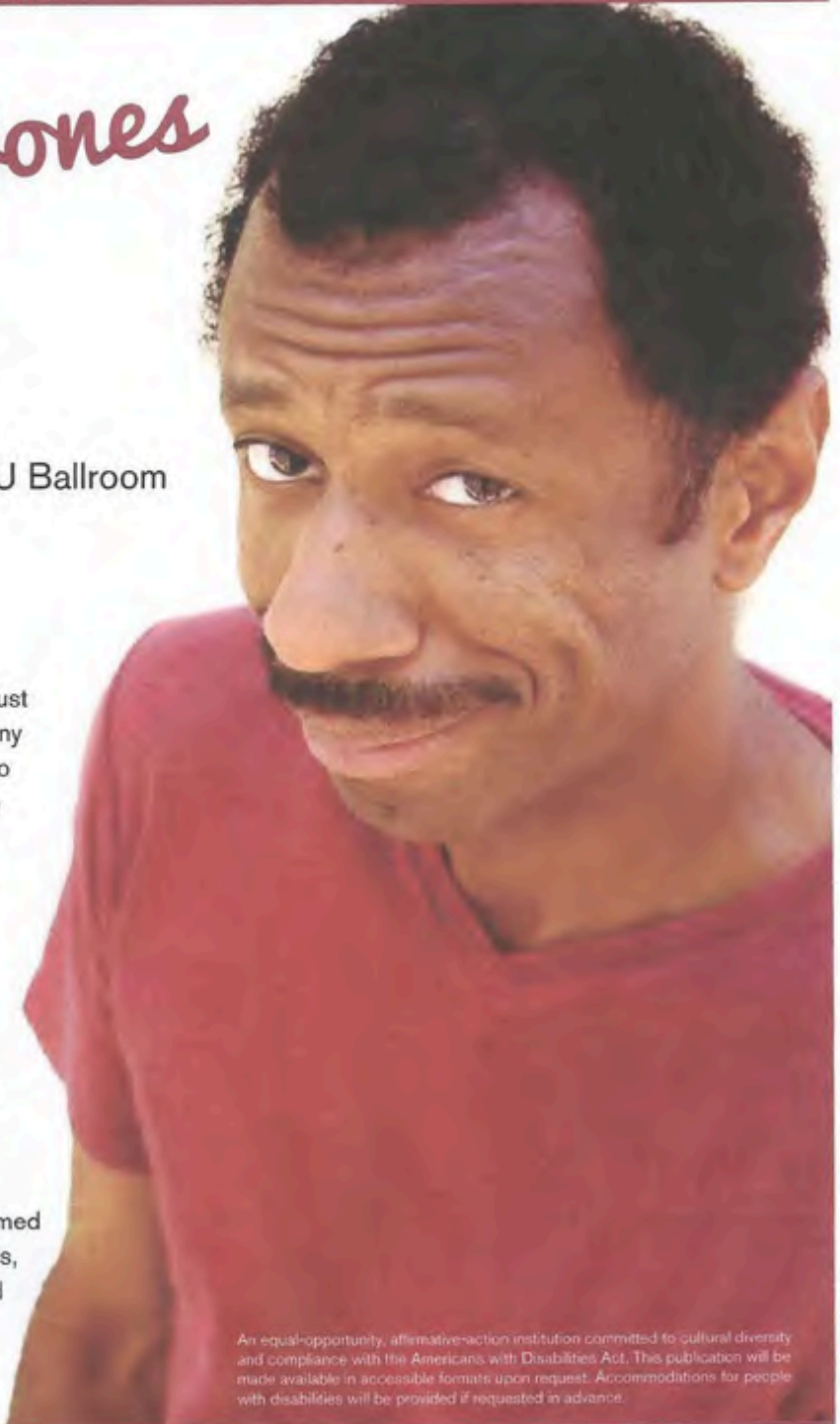
Show time!

7:00–8:30 P.M. at the EMU Ballroom

Free event

Sign Language and
voice Interpreters provided

As an entertainer, CJ Jones has done just about everything, from performing a Tony Award winning play on National Tour, to directing Deaf kids from high school to kindergarten in their own productions. He has acted in TV, written several one-man shows that have toured the US and internationally, and gives motivational speeches to colleges and companies. In short, CJ is CEO, producer, director, writer, actor, comedian, and musician. CJ has performed his one-man show in Ecuador, Japan, Sweden, Australia, Canada, the US Virgin Islands, and in every state in the union. He has performed in hundreds of elementary, high schools, universities, colleges, conventions, and many events across the continent, inspiring hearing and deaf, young and old.



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DSSO Membership New/Renewal Form

All membership fees are due every March 31st

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 from January 1st to March 28th. We are giving you two (2) days to renew by mail so that your completed form can arrive in our mailbox on March 31st. It is a flat rate per year. If you pay now before January 1st then you are good until next January 1st.

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

% Deaf Services of Southern Oregon

PO Box 4535

Medford, OR 97501

DATE: _____

YEAR: 2014 - 2015

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): 1 **DUE MARCH 31st**

OVER 55 (\$7.00 PER PERSON): _____ **DUE MARCH 31st**

NO CHECKS ACCEPTED

CASH: _____

MONEY ORDER: _____

TOTAL: \$10

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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Contact the newsletter at newsletter@dssso.org

Newsletter mailing address: D.S.S.O. Newsletter c/o Bill Drobkiewicz 1059 Spring St. Medford OR 97504

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

Rogue Valley Deaf Christian Fellowship
1205 Rogue River Hwy 99
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:
Heritage Christian Fellowship Center
Assembly of God
1870 Stewart Avenue
Medford, OR 97501
www.roguevalleyfellowship.com

Every Saturday Deaf Fellowship 10 a.m.
Every Saturday 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

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

Upcoming discussions - all in Full ASL:

"Love Identifies the Christian Congregation"

Special Talk on May 3, 2014 - "Why Would a Loving God Permit Wickedness?"

Free Bible DVD's now available Matthew through Revelations, Genesis and Leviticus (ASL)

No collections

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

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