

# DSSO NEWSLETTER

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## Announcements

### DSSO Meeting

The next DSSO meeting is on September 7th at 3 p.m. The location is Lions Center. There will be deaf ice cream social after the meeting at Ruth and Sparky's at Barnett Road and North Phoenix Road.

### Thanksgiving Dinner

We will have our annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner on November 22nd. We are working on finding a great location for this potluck event.

### Harvest Festival

We are currently planning to have a Harvest Festival event. Please come to the September meeting for updates on this event.

### OAD Deaf Fest

There will be a first ever Oregon Association of the Deaf's Deaf Fest on September 13th at Oaks Amusement Park in Portland, OR. Check the flyer.



AUGUST 9TH, 2014

Group photo from the recent Rafting on the Rogue River. We all had fun rafting and eating BBQ. Can you guess who each person is?

#### FROM KAREN DALBEC, RAFTING CHAIR

**T**hanks so much for coming to and enjoying rafting on the Rogue River with us. We had a wonderful time.

I would like to say THANKS so much to Jacques Hunt-Wattles, Joelle Morgan, Dwayne Southby and Nicholas Clark for helping me with rafting and BBQ. Also, I want to say thanks to Dean Darling and Dennis Ross for helping me with the money. I really appreciated their help. Thanks to Janice Van Domelen for buying meats, and others.

I would like to thank Dwayne Southby and Nicholas for a great job with cooking our BBQ.

54 people were riding on the rafts. Then 41 people were at BBQ. It was a pretty good attendance.

I know that some didn't show up there for rafting. Don't worry about it.

We will still have rafting on the Rogue River again for August 2015. Hope to see you next year. Take care. Have a nice day!

Right: Group picture from August 16 Deaf Night Out at Lava Lanes. Can you guess who these persons are? Answer this question on Deaf Services of Southern Oregon's Facebook page.

Photo credit: Tami Carreon



Photos from August 9th Rafting on the Rogue River. For some reason, Scott Mc Grath was trying to take a full photo of whole group on raft, but that did not exactly work out. But all participants, including the group in these pictures, had a great time and had a lot of fun. Do you know these people? Put your answer(s) on Deaf Services of Southern Oregon's Facebook page.

Photo credit: Scott Mc Grath

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7 DSSO Meeting 3 p.m.	8	9	10	11	12	13 Deaf Fest Portland, OR
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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](mailto:info@dssso.org)

Events and Upcoming Events • OSF = Oregon Shakespeare Festival •

SOBAD = Southern Oregon Bowling Association of the Deaf • G.P. = Grants Pass • DNO = Deaf Night Out

#### September

September 7th - DSSO Meeting; 3 p.m. Lions Center

September 7th - Ice Cream Social, 5 p.m. Ruth & Sparky's, 960 North Phoenix Road, Medford OR, 97504

September 13th - Deaf Fest; Portland, OR - check flyer in the Newsletter

September 20th - DNO; 7 p.m. to close, Lava Lanes, 2980 Crater Lake Highway, Medford OR, 97504

#### October

October 2<sup>nd</sup> - *A Wrinkle in Time*, OSF; 1:30 p.m.

October 3<sup>rd</sup> - *The Tempest*, OSF; 8:00 p.m.

October 4<sup>th</sup> - *Water by the Spoonful*, OSF; 8:00 p.m.

October 5th - DSSO meeting; 3 p.m. HASL, 305 Northeast 'E' Street (in Parkway Professional Building), Grants Pass OR, 97526 - **WARNING: The meeting may change location**

October 5th - Deaf Pizza or Deaf Ice Cream Social - To Be Decided at September meeting

October - Harvest Festival, Event to Be Announced

October 18th - Deaf Expo; Tacoma Washington - <http://deafnation.com/dnexpo/tacoma-wa/>

October 18th - DNO; 7 p.m. to close, Lava Lanes, 2980 Crater Lake Highway, Medford OR, 97504

#### November

November 9<sup>th</sup> - DSSO Meeting; 3 p.m. Lions Center - **officer nominations** - please come

November 9th - Deaf Pizza or Deaf Ice Cream Social - To Be Decided at September meeting

November 15th - DNO; 7 p.m. to close, Lava Lanes, 2980 Crater Lake Highway, Medford OR, 97504

November 22nd - DSSO Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner, 5 to 11 p.m., Location to be Announced

# DEAF FEST 2014

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**\$12.00 - UNLIMITED Rides** includes Rollerskating! Go to Area #7 to get bracelet.  
**\$12.00 VIP Lunch (50 limit)**  
**Raffle Prizes Drawings!**  
**Entertainment, Booths, and much more!**  
**Donations accepted.**

**Saturday September 13, 2014**  
**10:00 AM-4:00 PM**

Special reports and forum with  
OAD President Chad A. Ludwig

Join us for a fun-filled day to encourage unity in the various Deaf communities and to promote awareness of Deaf Culture & American Sign Language to the general public

Questions? Please contact Timo Worthylake, Chairperson: [vp2oad@gmail.com](mailto:vp2oad@gmail.com)



Follow signs to areas located at  
**#7 & 7A**  
Gazebo & Booths

**Oaks Amusement Park**  
7805 SE Oaks Park Way  
Portland, OR 97202  
[click for map](#)



Due to ongoing construction at the Sellwood Bridge south of Oaks Amusement Park, the best way getting there from downtown Portland and I-5 is across the Ross Island Bridge (Powell Blvd) east towards 99E. Go south (Oregon City), turn right at SE Tacoma St, follow Oaks Park signs. By foot, ride TriMet city bus #70 via [trimet.org](http://trimet.org), stop ID 6709 (SE 13th & Tacoma St) and walk few blocks west—follow signs to Oaks Park.

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

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Grants Pass OR  
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Every Saturday Deaf Service 4 p.m.  
Every Saturday Bible study 3 p.m.

Medford:  
Heritage Christian Fellowship Center  
1870 Stewart Avenue  
Medford, OR 97501  
[www.roguevalleyfellowship.com](http://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](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  
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

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