Dr. McCay Vernon, Pioneer on Deafness and Psychology, Dies at 84

Dr. McCay Vernon, an iconic figure in the fields of deafness and psychology, died on Aug. 28, 2013, at age 84 at the Bailey Center.

His exploration of the psychological aspects of deafness, his challenges to poor educational and mental health services for people who are deaf, and his advocacy of legal rights for people who are deaf extended throughout his nearly 60-year career in those fields. His lasting legacy includes the many former students and colleagues now serving in the fields of deafness and psychology.

Dr. Vernon was born at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C., to Col. Percy Vernon and Teresa Preble Vernon. Upon his father’s death, the family moved to St. Augustine where he attended Ketterlinus High School. He entered the U.S. Army at age 17 and served with military intelligence in Korea. Upon his discharge, he obtained his bachelor’s degree at the University of Florida and later earned master’s degrees from Gallaudet University and Florida State University. He completed his doctoral work in psychology at Claremont Graduate University in California.

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Among the many awards Vernon received during his career were The American Psychological Association Award for “Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest,” the Medal of Honor from the British Association of the Deaf, the Declaration of Merit from the World Federation of the Deaf, and the American Psychiatric Association Award for “Career Contributions to Mental Health and Deafness.” He received honorary Doctor of Letters degrees from Gallaudet University and McDaniel College.

Vernon was predeceased by his first wife, Edith Goldston Vernon, who was deaf and played a vital role in his career. Through her, he gained critical insights into the needs of people who are deaf. With his second wife, the former Marie vonGunten, he co-authored two books on serial killers, one of whom was deaf.

Dr. Vernon is survived by his wife, Marie; his daughter, Eve Vernon Peters and son-in-law Brian Peters, of Riverton, NJ; brother, Col. (ret.) Graham Vernon of Carlisle, PA; sister, Terese Vernon Douglass (Dexter) of Tallahassee, FL; and stepchildren, Dr. Jean Aims (Clifford) of Smithfield, VA, Holiance Feist (Rodney) of St. Augustine, FL, Wade Wisnur (Lucy) of Dandridge, TN, Roger Wisner of Long Beach, CA, Dr. Priscilla Wisner (Joe) of Knoxville, TN, and Patricia Miller (Cameron) of Reisterstown, MD.

His family wishes to thank the staff of the Northeast Florida Community Hospice and the Bailey Center for Caring in St. Augustine for their many kindnesses during Dr. Vernon’s final illness. No memorial service is planned at this time.

Those wishing to make a memorial donation may contribute to the Dr. McCay Vernon Fund for Support of Deaf Education, McDaniel College, 2 College Hill, Westminster, MD 21157.

Dr. McCay Vernon Obituary — Reprinted with permission from The St. Augustine Record, One News Place, St. Augustine, FL 32086
October is “National Disability Employment Awareness Month.” The theme this year is “We Are EQUAL to the Task.” Chosen by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Office of Disability Employment Policy, the theme reflects the reality that people with disabilities have the education, training, experience and desire to be successful in the workplace.

In recognition of National Disability Employment Awareness Month, a number of events are being held by state and community organizations to enhance the employment of people with hearing loss. On September 28 and again on October 12, the New Jersey Association of the Deaf (NJAD) and the coalition of Deaf New Jersey Organizations will be hosting a town hall meeting to provide a forum for people who are deaf and hard of hearing to learn about resources available from Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS) to support their employment. On October 5, Sprint Relay, at its annual “Taste of Technology” conference will feature a speaker on “Social Media and Employment.” This is a timely presentation, given the fact that a recent survey indicates social media is increasingly being used by recruiters for hiring purposes. In addition, DDHH in collaboration with NJAD is also planning a soon-to-be-announced workshop on “Deaf Self-Advocacy” with the goal of empowering people who are deaf and hard of hearing with the skills to self-advocate for reasonable accommodation in their employment. For additional information about these events, please see the respective articles elsewhere in this newsletter.

DDHH thanks the above organizations for their efforts and alliances to provide community educational opportunities in recognition of National Disability Employment Awareness Month. These activities play an important role in state-community partnerships to assist individuals who are Deaf and hard of hearing reach their dreams of economic empowerment and independence.

David C. Alexander, Ph.D., Director
New Jersey Division of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing
USA Deaf Athletes Bring Home 29 Medals
By Catherine Purrazzella, DDHH Service Coordinator

Our USA Deaf athletes did a fabulous job in the 2013 Sofia Deaflympics. USA brought home nine gold, eight silver, and twelve bronze medals. The Deaflympics are managed by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and The United States Deaf Sports Federation (USADSF), which is a member of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), represents deaf USA athletes when they compete in international competitions.

There are some inequities in the way deaf and hard of hearing athletes are funded by the USOC as compared to other disability groups. The USOC provides funding for USA Athletes on the Olympic and Paralympic teams but unfortunately does not provide similar support for deaf and hard of hearing Deaflympians. Thus in this case, Deaflympians are forced to fundraise for themselves. The inequity issues did not stop deaf and hard of hearing athletes from going to the 2013 Summer Deaflympics.

The women’s basketball team beat Ukraine in an 81-57 win to bring home the gold. The men’s relay team won the gold for 4x100m and 200m backstroke. Matthew Klotz set a new World Deaf and Deaflympics record for both the 100m and 200m backstroke. Josh Hembrough set a new Deaflympic record for the 100m hurdles, and John Klish may have broken the Deaflympic record for 50m points cycling. To be eligible to participate in the Deaflympics, an athlete must have a hearing loss of 55 decibels (dB) or greater in the better ear. An interesting rule of the Deaflympics is that athletes cannot wear hearing aids or cochlear implants during sanctioned competitions. Athletes who are deaf and hard of hearing and do not use sign language to communicate are allowed to participate in sanctioned competitions.

Congratulations to all of the USA Deaf Athletes for their accomplishments! The location of the 23rd Summer Deaflympics of 2017 hasn’t been announced yet. The only times that the Summer Deaflympics took place in the United States was in 1965 in Washington D.C., and Los Angeles in 1985.
Hearing Aid Warranties and What They Cover

By Traci Burton, DDHH Field Representative

One big concern for those considering the purchase of hearing aids is whether or not the aids are covered by a warranty and what that warranty would entail. Several factors could impact a warranty, and this healthyhearing.com news emission from July 23, 2013 should help to clarify some points.

Not only are hearing aids an investment, they can drastically improve the overall well-being of the user. After purchasing hearing aids, you’ll want to make sure you have insurance to cover the costs of damage, but it also helps to know exactly what the protection will cover. As health insurance coverage of hearing aids differs from state to state, and even from clinic to clinic, knowing exactly what your coverage entails can save you from headaches down the road.

Warranty information

Warranties typically cover a year of damage, loss and repairs, but it’s possible to get an extended manufacturer’s warranty for two or three years. It’s best to check with the maker of your hearing aids to determine what exactly is covered, as it is usually different with all manufacturers. If you are interested in extending your warranty, you can go through your audiologist, the maker or a general insurance company. Warranties will typically cover damage to the shell or case as well as all internal parts of the device.

What is usually covered?

Although you need to check with your provider to find out what exactly is covered, manufacturer defects, damage and repairs are most common. If your healthcare insurance or Medicaid is covering the hearing aids, make sure to check your state’s regulations, as they differ drastically. For example, Arkansas, New Hampshire and Rhode Island residents will be covered for hearing aids, while states like Maine, Maryland, Louisiana, Massachusetts and more, may only cover hearing aids for children. For specifics on what your New Jersey Medicaid plan covers, please contact your County Board of Social Services. A listing can be found at www.nj.gov/humanservices/dfd/programs/njsnap/cwa/

Extending your warranty

Patients can usually extend their warranty with a fee. However, many audiologists will also offer a “check and clean” service right before your warranty is about to expire to ensure that your device is working properly. This offers you the opportunity to catch any small issues and make sure the devices are clean before you are no longer have coverage. Since the average lifespan of hearing aids is about six years, keeping them clean will help to extend their life.

Protect your hearing aids

Hearing aids are very fragile devices, and while there are new innovations that can help to extend their life, you need to take a few precautions to avoid damage. Moisture, ear wax and the elements are hearing aids’ worst enemies, but you can maintain your device with protective sleeves and regular cleanings.

Camden County Library’s Assistive Listening Technology Loan Program

Many public places are characterized by background noise and poor acoustic design which negatively impact the ability of people to hear. These conditions affect all individuals and make effective listening nearly impossible for a person with any kind of hearing loss. Assistive listening technologies such as a “Personal FM System” or a “Wide Area FM System” may significantly improve listening conditions.

The Camden County Library located at 203 Laurel Road in Voorhees, NJ offers the Assistive Listening Technology Loan Program to the residents of Camden County. Any interested individual or agency/organization is able to borrow, free of charge, a Personal FM System or a Wide Area FM System.

The Personal FM System is for use in small group settings while the Wide Area FM System is for use in larger spaces. The Camden County Library has three Personal Systems and one Wide Area System available for loan. Neckloops and headsets are also available for loan.

For more information about this loan program please contact the Camden County Library at 856-772-1636.

In addition to the Camden County Library, several other regional libraries

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Hearing Loss Association of New Jersey Hosts
6th Annual Garden State Walk4Hearing, October 20

With more than 31 million Americans currently impacted by some degree of hearing loss, the Hearing Loss Association of New Jersey’s five chapters in Bergen, Middlesex, Ocean/Monmouth and Morris Counties and the South Jersey Shore will join the national effort led by the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) to fight the nation’s silent disability by hosting the 6th Annual Garden State Walk4Hearing. The 5K (3.1 miles) walk in Mercer County Park, West Windsor, NJ, will begin Sunday, October 20 with registration at 9:00 a.m. As the largest series of walks of its kind held in major cities throughout the U.S., the Walk4Hearing raises funds for hearing loss prevention and education programs, and is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with hearing loss.

The Walk4Hearing is a great opportunity for individuals, families, and groups to step up and raise awareness to help end the stigma of hearing loss in our area. There are a variety of ways people can get involved, such as walking to raise funds, organizing a team of walkers as a team captain, sponsoring a walker, joining a team, volunteering, or making a donation.

An estimated one-third of Americans have some form of hearing loss, the third most common public health issue after heart disease and arthritis, while nearly one-half of all seniors over age 75 are affected by this seemingly invisible loss of hearing. Some 30 of every 1000 school-aged children experience hearing loss. Chances are, most people will be affected by hearing loss in some way. People with hearing loss struggle to enjoy a dinner in a noisy restaurant. Smoke alarms will not awaken them. And, with thousands of U.S. armed forces returning from wars in Iraq and Afghanistan with hearing loss, more and more people need help.

Since 2006, thousands of people nationwide have joined the HLAA’s Walk4Hearing. HLAA is the nation’s largest consumer advocacy organization for people with hearing loss, and is dedicated to providing education, support and advocacy to help people with hearing loss live full and productive lives. Funds from the previous Garden State Walks4Hearing have enabled HLA-NJ to provide college scholarships to worthy NJ high school seniors with hearing loss, establish a public Assistive Listening Device (ALD) demonstration center at Montclair State University (where audiologists are trained) and other efforts to raise awareness and support to counter and remediate hearing loss.

For more information and an update on the October 20 Walk4Hearing, go to: www.hearingloss-nj.org, or to register for the Walk, join or sponsor a team or volunteer, visit www.walk4hearing.com.

Assistive Communication Device Demonstration Centers

DDHH operates a number of “Assistive Communication Device Demonstration Centers” throughout New Jersey. These centers display assistive communication devices for people with hearing loss. The devices on display include those in the Equipment Distribution Program, as well as other practical devices for home and office, such as door bells, alarm clocks, video phones, amplified sound systems, and more. The centers also offer hands-on demonstrations so that consumers can make informed decisions prior to purchasing such devices.

Current Locations:
- Joseph Kohn Rehabilitation Center, 130 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901
- The Brian C. Shomo Assistive Device Center, located at Marie Katzenbach School for the Deaf, 320 Sullivan Way, West Trenton, NJ 08628
- Bridges to Employment, 600 First Avenue, Raritan, NJ 08869
- Supor Blvd., Harrison, NJ 07029
- Burlington County College, Mt. Holly Center, 1 High Street, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060

To schedule an appointment at any of the above centers call DDHH at (609) 588-2648 or (800) 792-8339 toll free in New Jersey or (609) 503-4862 VP.
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participate in the program. To learn more about their programs, please contact these libraries at:

Atlantic County Library
40 Farragut Avenue
Mays Landing, NJ 08330
609-625-2776

Burlington County Library
5 Pioneer Boulevard
Westampton, NJ 08060
609-267-9660

Gloucester County Library
389 Wolfert Station Road
Mullica Hill, NJ 08062
856-223-6000

Monmouth County Library Headquarters
125 Symmes Drive
Manalapan, NJ 07726
732-431-7220

Monmouth County Library Eastern Branch
1001 Route 35
Shrewsbury, NJ 07702
732-683-8980

Montclair Public Library
50 South Fullerton Avenue
Montclair, NJ 07042
973-744-0500 x2232

Morris County Library
30 East Hanover Road
Whippany, NJ 07981
973-285-6979

Piscataway Public Library
500 Hoes Lane
Piscataway, NJ 08854
732-463-1633

Additional libraries will be offering the Assistive Listening Technology Loan Program to their county’s residents. Look forward to more announcements!

The Assistive Listening Technology Loan Program is funded by the NJ Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Traci Burton, Field Representative can be reached at 609-588-2648 or traci.burton@dhs.state.nj.us.

Social Security, SSI and Medicare ASL Video
By Catie Purrazzella, DDHH Service Coordinator

Social Security has an American Sign Language (ASL) video that includes information about the Social Security, SSI, and Medicare programs. To view the ASL video, copy and paste the link below into an Internet browser: www.socialsecurity.gov/multimedia/video/asl/index.html

Social Security offers online services without having to go into the office and deal with long waiting times. Take advantage of this and view the types of online services by checking out: www.socialsecurity.gov/onlineservices/#a0=-1

Remember if you need a reasonable accommodation such as a certified and qualified sign language interpreter or captioning, you can make a request by calling your local Social Security office; visit your local Social Security; or calling the toll free number, 1-800-772-1213 or 1-800-325-0778 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. If you are struggling to get communication access for your upcoming appointment, please contact Catie Purrazzella at (609) 503-4862 (VP/V) or NJ Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at (609) 588-2648 or the toll free number for NJ residents only at 1-800-792-8339 for assistance.

The Newark Public Library Presents
American Sign Language Classes
Community Library Services
Special Services Room
Beginner’s Levels I & II
3rd Floor Special Services Room
5 Washington Street, Newark, NJ

Saturdays
October 12 - December 14, 2013
Level I/10:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.
Level II/12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Free and open to the public

Text Books Recommended:

Registration is at 10:00 a.m. on the first day of class.
For more information call: 973-733-5412

Voice - Margaret George or 862-279-7634 videophone - Lolata Greggs
Email: lgreggs@npl.org or mgeorge@npl.org

DDHH Advisory Council Meeting
Friday
October 25 2013
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
East Brunswick Public Library
2 Jean Walling Civic Center, East Brunswick, NJ 08816

Speaker – Clara Smit, Esq.
“Reasonable Accommodations for People with Hearing Loss - What and When?”

The public is invited to attend. Sign language interpreters, CART, and assistive listening devices will be provided. Bring your own beverage/snacks.
Dear NJ Relay,

I am a frequent Relay Conference Captioning (RCC) user at my place of employment. While I love using RCC for my teleconference calls, I wonder if I could use RCC for weekly staff meetings that are held in my office?

RCC FAN

Dear RCC Fan,

RCC is certainly a valuable tool for deaf and hard of hearing people. A free service, RCC allows a deaf or hard of hearing individual to participate in meetings and phone calls on a functionally equivalent basis. The only equipment needed is a regular telephone line, a computer with Internet access and a wireless microphone for the speaker. With RCC, the spoken word is translated into text, in real time, onto a screen (laptop, computer monitor, or projection screen).

A common misconception about RCC is that it can only be used for teleconference calls where all participants are in different locations. That’s not the case. RCC can also be used for classrooms, captioning onscreen what is spoken in the classroom, and even during business or workplace meetings. What this means is that the deaf or hard of hearing individual can be in the room with classmates or co-workers, and utilize RCC.

During a meeting or class, each person should speak one at a time and directly into a microphone. This helps the RCC captionist transmit spoken information into captions. The RCC user can either type comments for the captionist to speak for everyone to hear, or speak for himself.

Another beneficial feature is that the RCC user can save, and print, the event’s transcript for future reference.

When scheduling RCC service for a meeting or class, it is always beneficial to include details such as the meeting or class lecture agenda, participant information, etc.

For more information on the use of RCC and procedure of reserving RCC service, check out our Web site at njrelaycc.com

Regards,

NJ Relay

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Audition Notice

December 2, 3 (call backs December 4)

Nutley Little Theatre will be presenting a production of “Children of a Lesser God” in February, and at Bergen Community College in June. Auditions at BCC (4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.), as well as at NLT (7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)

We are looking for an actress to play Sarah (see description below). Please contact Dickson Lane at (973) 280-9686, or at dickson@xpresslane.biz to arrange an interview/audition. This is a community theatre production and no money is involved. Sarah and James will be the only two characters who will be pre-cast. All others will be cast at the audition call in December.

This will be a unique theatrical experience for cast, crew and audiences alike. It is a play that looks at the recesses of being human, of relating to those around us. What is at stake when we choose to become intimate with another? How much of ourselves do we sacrifice to the relationship itself? Bridging the deaf and non-deaf communities is an integral part of this ensemble production. There will simultaneous interpretation from speech to sign and sign to speech for every rehearsal and performance.

The Characters

James Leeds – 30ish, a speech teacher at a State School for the Deaf.

Sarah Norman – mid-twenties, deaf from birth.

Orin Dennis – in his 20s, has some residual hearing, a lip reader.

Mrs. Norman – Sarah’s mother.

Mr. Franklin – anywhere from his early 30s to his mid-40s, the Supervising Teacher at the Deaf School.

Lydia – in her late teens, has some residual hearing, a lip reader.

Edna Klein – 30 to 40, a lawyer.
SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, October 19, 2013

From Diagnostics Through Management: Listening and Spoken Language for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Speaker
Donald M. Goldberg, Ph.D.
CCC-SLP/A, FAAPA,
LSLS Cert AVT,
President, AG Bell

As technology continues to improve, therapists and educators are highly valued in their ability to provide expertise in the development of spoken language for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. This conference will focus on choosing appropriate assessment tools in evaluating communication skills as well as making appropriate goals based on these results. Additionally, participants will review recommendations for classroom modifications for students using technology in the educational setting. Principles of Auditory-Verbal practice and certification requirements will be discussed.

PROFESSIONALS - PARENTS
Everyone is welcome! Discounts will apply to AG Bell members.

8:00am – 9:00am Registration
9:00am – 1:20pm Conference

ASHA / LSL CEUs and Contact Hours for Continuing Education
To Be Determined

Montclair State University
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
1515 Broad Street
Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003
(Off campus Audiology Facility / Easy to get to – plenty of parking!)

Open Caption Performance
ON BORROWED TIME
By Paul Osborn      Directed By Joel Grey
Saturday, October 5, 2013 at 3 p.m.

Tony and Academy Award-winner Joel Grey directs this magical fantasy about the love between a little boy and his Gramps. When Death himself pays them a visit in the form of a man named Mr. Brink, Gramps outwits him - trapping Brink in a tree and refusing to let him down. This too-rarely-seen American masterpiece is ripe for rediscovery.

Two River Theater
21 Bridge Avenue
Red Bank, NJ 07701
Tickets are $25 per person for those using this service.
For more information, contact Adam Haratz at aharatz@trtc.org or (732) 345-1400, x1815

ASL-English Interpretation Program
Preparation for the National Interpreter Certification (NIC) Performance Examination
Presented by
Jon Wolfe Nelson and Katherine Walley

Practice independently and prepare for the National Interpreter Certification (NIC) performance exam with guidance from the 12-hour/6- sessions seminar. You will review NIC exams, explore test-taking strategies for performance-based tests, receive individual feedback on interpretations based on tasks identified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), and develop self-analysis skills of interpreting work.

Fridays
Oct. 18 - Nov. 22, 2013
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
LaGuardia Community College
Room C-244
$315
The Kelsey Theater proudly presents “Big River”

The Pennington Players are excited to announce upcoming performances for the musical *Big River*. Roger Miller and William Hauptman’s Tony Award-winning adaptation of Mark Twain’s *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is a funny, touching and inspirational story of race, friendship and freedom. This production will be based on the 2003 Broadway staging by the Roundabout Theatre Company and the American Deaf West Theatre and will blend a cast of hearing and deaf actors, American Sign Language and traditional choreography and staging while providing accessibility to a wide range of audiences.

**October 4-6 and October 11-13**
Friday and Saturday performances at 8:00 p.m.
Sunday matinee performances at 2:00 p.m.
Kelsey Theater
Mercer County Community College
1200 Old Trenton Road
West Windsor, NJ 08550
(609) 570-3333

Tickets available by phone, mail or online
$20 for adults, $18 for seniors, and $16 students and children

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**Signs of Summer**

Teachers Judy Galleta and Lisa Glassford (on either end) sign “I Love You” with two of this summer’s graduating American Sign Language (ASL) students, Casey Lebo and Jessica Blair after they successfully completed a week long course at Ocean County Community College this past August.

This is Ms. Lebo and Ms. Blair’s second year of signing classes. They are both active New Egypt High School sophomores who hope to continue to learn ASL.

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**Workshop: Preparation Strategies for ASL Court Interpreters**

**Presenter:**
Carla M. Mathers, Esquire, CSC, SC:L

**Saturday, October 26, 2013**
and
**Sunday, October 27, 2013**
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Marie Katzenbach School for the Deaf
320 Sullivan Way
Trenton, NJ 08628
Jochem Center

**Workshop Fee:**
$125 - NJRID Members
$150 - Non-Members
(Lunch is NOT included)
1.2 CEUs (professional studies)

Sponsored by NJRID
Info: Kathy Perejohn at kraftkk@yahoo.com
George Street Playhouse Celebrates 40 Seasons with Full Slate of Accessibility Features

George Street Playhouse is celebrating its 40th birthday – and is inviting everyone to the party – with a full slate of access programming designed to make theatre going an engaging and fulfilling experience for all. The New Brunswick theatre’s access programming includes state-of-the-art assistive listening equipment, designed to help those patrons who are hard of hearing. This system, provided to the Playhouse from the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, is available to patrons at each performance. In addition, George Street Playhouse also provides open-captioned performances for patrons who are deaf and hard of hearing. For those patrons with visual impairments, the theatre offers a series of Audio Described performances and large-print and Braille programs.

In addition to the accessible features in place is the reconstruction of the accessible ramp to the theatre, which was undertaken and completed with the assistance of the New Brunswick Cultural Center.

“Since George Street Playhouse’s beginning 40 years ago, accessibility for all has always been a priority,” said Kelly Ryman, GSP Managing Director. “We are grateful to the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the Fund for the New Jersey Blind and the Verizon Foundation for providing the funding necessary to operate and maintain these programs.”

The centerpiece of the Playhouse’s accessibility program is its Assistive Listening System. On-stage dialogue is picked up and amplified through transmitters in the theatre and broadcast to patrons who are outfitted with lightweight receivers and comfortable, padded ear buds. Patrons wishing to use the system should request a set through the Playhouse’s House Management staff in the lobby. In addition to the assistive listening equipment, patrons may enjoy open-captioned performances (one during the run of each production) are described by a professional who broadcasts a live, unobtrusive and objective description of the stage action and other visual elements of the play over a headset. In addition, large-print and Braille playbills for each production are available at every performance.

The Open-Captioned series will be offered on the following matinees during GSP’s current season. Performances begin at 2 p.m:

- Gettin’ the Band Back Together Saturday, October 26
- Clever Little Lies Saturday, December 14
- Assisted Living Saturday, February 22
- I Loved, I Lost, I Made Spaghetti Saturday, April 5
- Our Town Saturday, May 24

George Street Playhouse offers all people equal access and opportunities to participate in its services, programs, and activities. Any individual needing special assistance may contact Janet Tappen, GSP’s Patron Services Director, by phone at 732-246-7717 or email jtappen@georgestplayhouse.org. Any special requests should be made as far in advance of the program as possible. Subscription packages for Audio-Described and Open-Captioned performances are also available and may be obtained by contacting the GSP Box Office 732-246-7717. For information on these and other programs, as well as detailed information on the plays themselves, visit the www.GSPonline.org.

On select Thursday evenings, performances are audio described for patrons with visual impairments. Sponsored by the New Jersey Fund for the Blind, these select performances (one during the run of each production) are described by a professional who broadcasts a live, unobtrusive and objective description of the stage action and other visual elements of the play over a headset. In addition, large-print and Braille playbills for each production are available at every performance.

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Bridge Players
Theatre Company
Proudly Presents
Blithe Spirit
By Noel Coward
Directed by Tyler Riley

In Noel Coward’s classic hit comedy, fussy, cantankerous novelist Charles Condomine has remarried, but is haunted (literally) by the ghost of his first wife – the clever and insistent Elvira – who is summoned by a visiting “happy medium,” Madame Arcati. Charles’ current wife, Ruth, and their friends the Bradmans, blindly grapple with the supernatural event, as only Charles can see the ghostly Elvira. Laughs abound as worldly (and otherworldly) personalities clash, and the hapless Charles realizes he will be haunted into perpetuity.

October 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 & 19 – 8 p.m.
October 6 & *13 – 3 p.m.
* Performance on Sunday, October 13 will be sign interpreted.

Broad Street Methodist Church
36 E. Broad St., Burlington, NJ 08016
Ticket price $18. Group rates available for groups of 15 or more, dinner theater package also available for $45.

New Jersey Deaf Sports, Inc.
and
New Jersey Deaf Soccer
Proudly host
1st Annual NJ Deaf Outdoor “Indoor” Soccer Tournament
When: April 26 2014 (Or May 3, 2014 due to weather.)
Time: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Where: New Jersey School for the Deaf
Katzenbach Campus
320 Sullivan Way
West Trenton, NJ 08625-0535
(Base on 8 teams) – limited 12 teams play
Team Prizes: 1st Place - $600.00 & trophy
2nd Place - $400.00 & trophy
3rd Place - $200.00 & trophy
Team Entry Fee: $450.00 per team before February 28, 2014
After April 1st, 2014 - $500.00 (late fee)
(limited 13 members per team)
All Fans at Tournament Event: Admission $5.00 all day
Write a check to “NJDS, Inc.”

NJDS, Inc.
% Chuck Wallace, Chairperson
26 North Shore Blvd.
Holmeida, NJ 08828-1233
Deadline: April 1, 2014

Any information: Contact Chuck Wallace 732-641-3420 or NJDeafSportsInc@gmail.com
If interested in playing for a team, contact the coach Delfin Fraguerio at email:
vacodeloioe@tva.com or delfinfraguerio708@hotmail.com or by VP at 866-926-1918 in the evening

NJSD is a drug-free campus-absolute NO smoking, drugs, or alcohol. Thank you.

Trenton Silent Club - 70th Anniversary Banquet
Saturday, November 16, 2013 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
at Hamilton Manor, 30 Route 156 (off Route 130), Hamilton NJ 08620

Member $45      Non-member $50
Deadline is October 30, 2013
Door Prize - 50/50 Drawings
Choice of Entrée
Char-Grilled Slice Sirloin or Chicken Marsala
including appetizer, salad, vegetables, coffee, tea, soda and dessert
Carl Anderson - Master of Ceremony
Lila Taylor - Vocation    Keynote Speaker - Surprise
For info, contact Laura Schultz, Chair at tscbanquet@comcast.net
or
Philip DiMaio at HiDiMaio@aol.com
Deaf Community Event
Featuring
“Effective Communication: Deaf Patients and Working with Interpreters”

This presentation will cover the role of an interpreter in healthcare settings and other strategies for effective communication between deaf and hearing people. We will discuss cultural sensitivity and technology, and work in groups to explore how to work together as deaf, hearing, and hard of hearing people.

Presenter:
Jessica Munn Ansbach, NIC, ASL/English Interpreter
Saturday, October 19, 2013
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Waretown United Methodist Church
27 Bryant Road
Waretown NJ 08758
(4 miles east of Garden State Parkway Exit 69)

Refreshments, please bring desserts to share
Everyone is welcome - childcare available, only with prior notice
For more information, contact
Carl N. Anderson:
CARLNA@aol.com
Proudly hosted by the Waretown United Methodist Church
www.waretownumc.org
Thanksgiving Holiday Bazaar

**Free admission - Open to the Public**

Turkey - give away (drawing at 4 p.m.)
Interpreters and interpreter students are welcome

Saturday, November 16, 2013
Montville Senior Center, 356 Route 202, Montville, NJ 07045
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• Vendors, crafts and much more
• Cider, Donuts, Coffee, Tea and Water for sale
• 50/50 Cash Raffle

Please contact LBquarters@verizon.net Rent a table for $30 (OK to rent with a friend) RSVP by November 9

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE NJ DEAF SENIOR HOUSING FUND

To rent a table, make check or money order for $30 per table payable to:
NAD-NJ Deaf Senior Housing
Mail to: NJ Deaf Senior Housing, PO Box 212, Millburn, NJ 07041

Name(s) ____________________________________________ Street ____________________________________________
City ___________________________ State ___________ Zip _________
Number of tables: __________ Cost $________
I will not be able to attend and would like to make a donation for $ __________________

Marie Gervasio, Christine DeBacco and Marjorie Kounouklos will host the bazaar with NJ Deaf Senior Housing Committee members.

Donation is tax deductible - a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
Welcome! All Deaf and Hard of Hearing Believers in Christ

OCEAN COUNTY BAPTIST CHURCH
380 Old Freehold Road, Toms River, NJ 08753

Pastor Michael Weigel – 732-341-5005
Sunday Worship Service: 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School Class: 10 a.m.

For information contact Bob Burns, Christian – 732-298-6030

Swallow the Ocean Tour
• NewSong • Aaron Shust • Royal Tailor
• Love & The Outcome
Saturday, October 12
7:00 p.m.
(ASL Interpreted)
For Ticket Information:
Visit Ticketmaster.com or
Call 1-800-982-2787
Washington Township High School
519 Hurffville-Cross Keys Rd.
Sewell, NJ 08080
Presented By: Bethany Christian Services

Grace Bible Chapel of the Deaf, 100 Oakdale Road, Chester, NJ 07930
December 7, 2013
12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Guest Deaf Speaker: Rev. John Graham from Ontario, Canada

Registration & Dinner
Payment NOT excepted at the door
Deadline: November 23, 2013

Make a check payable to Grace Bible Chapel. Mail to Roy Siskind, 288 Janine Way, Bridgewater, NJ 08807. If you have any questions, feel free to email: Roy Siskind, Rojogolfer@hotmail.com or Michael Sarsfield, MS1262@aol.com

How many adults will come?________ X $15=____________

How many children (6-12 ages) will come?________ X $5 ____________ (Children under 5 years old are free)

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
City:____________________________ State _________ Zip________________
VP/Phone:_____________________ Email:__________________________________________

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Religious Access

DEAF and ASL Interpreters Religious Workshop
Hosted by MWD of Camden Diocese and NJ Pastoral Workers
Presenter: Msgr. Glenn Nelson, Director of Deaf Apostolate for Rockford, Illinois

“Update on New Roman Missal Mass”
Saturday, October 26, 2013
9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
McDaid Hall, 15 Virginia Ave, Westmont, NJ 08108
5 p.m. - Interpreted Mass at Church of the Holy Saviour
$25 – Deaf Community, $35 for CEU’s
(includes admission and box lunch) Deadline: October 19, 2013

Our goal is to support deaf members of the church and ASL interpreters in church settings. Msgr. Nelson will give you tools that will encourage you to continue to share and interpret the Word of God in ASL.

Info: kate.slosar@camdendiocese.org or 856-283-3962 VP

Msgr Nelson’s background: Monsignor Glenn Nelson received his Bachelor Degree in Deaf Education from Northern Illinois University. Before deciding to become a priest, he was a teacher and interpreter for the Deaf for two years. In 1993, Monsignor Nelson was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Rockford, Illinois and was appointed director of the Deaf Apostolate for the diocese. Monsignor has served the Deaf Catholic Community as a priest for over 18 years.

Name_____________________________________ Phone_______________ E-Mail __________________________
Address__________________________________________ State _________ Zip Code ____________________
Amount enclosed $ ___________

Checks payable to: Ministry With the Deaf and send to: Ministry With the Deaf, Diocese of Camden, 631 Market Street, Camden, NJ 08102, attn.: Kate Slosar

This workshop offers 0.6 CEUS in the area of Professional Studies. The target audience is Deaf people and intermediate and advanced students and certified interpreters - interpreters working in religious settings and/or preparing to work in religious settings. (Participants will be notified by email of cancellation. Refunds will be given if a participant cancels prior to the registration deadline of October 19, 2013.)
Calendar of Events 2013

Friday, Oct. 25
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
DDHH Advisory Council Meeting
East Brunswick Public Library
Presenter - Clara Smit
“Reasonable Accommodations for People with Hearing Loss – What and When”

Friday, January 31, 2014
DDHH Advisory Council Meeting
Speaker and Location - TBD

DDHH Regular Office Hours: Monday – Friday; 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Office Closed Monday, Oct. 14 – Columbus Day